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[without reference to a Main Committee (A/73/L.5)]

73/5. Chair of the Group of 77 for 2019

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the role and authority of the General Assembly as a principal organ of the United Nations and the importance of its effectiveness and efficiency in fulfilling its functions under the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling its resolution 67/19 of 29 November 2012 on the status of the State of Palestine in the United Nations,

Noting that the State of Palestine is a party to many instruments concluded under the auspices of the United Nations and has joined several specialized agencies and bodies of the United Nations as a full member,

Aware that the State of Palestine is a full member of the League of Arab States, the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, the Group of Asia-Pacific States and the Group of 77,

Acknowledging that it is for each group to define the modalities of its representation and leadership,

Taking note of the decision by the forty-second annual meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Group of 77 of 27 September 2018 to elect the State of Palestine to chair the Group of 77 for the year 2019,

1. Decides to adopt the modalities set out in the annex to the present resolution for the participation of the State of Palestine in the sessions and work of the General Assembly and the international conferences convened under the auspices of the Assembly or other organs of the United Nations, as well as in United Nations conferences, for the duration of the chairmanship by the State of Palestine of the Group of 77;

2. Requests the Economic and Social Council, insofar as the rights concerned could be exercised by a Chair of the Group of 77 not a member of the Council, and other relevant organs, specialized agencies, organizations and entities within the
United Nations system to apply the above-mentioned modalities for the duration of the chairmanship by the State of Palestine of the Group of 77;

3. Invites the Secretariat to continue to facilitate the work of the Group of 77 and its Chair, in line with the established practice;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to take the measures necessary to implement the modalities set out in the annex to the present resolution.

Annex

The additional rights and privileges of participation of the State of Palestine for 2019 shall be given effect through the following modalities, without prejudice to its existing rights and privileges:

(a) The right to make statements on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, including among representatives of major groups;

(b) The right to submit proposals and amendments and introduce them on behalf of the Group of 77 and China;

(c) The right to co-sponsor proposals and amendments;

(d) The right to make explanations of vote on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China;

(e) The right of reply regarding positions of the Group of 77 and China;

(f) The right to raise procedural motions, including points of order and requests to put proposals to the vote, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.