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## **Draft report**

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## Chapter I Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

## B. Matters brought to the attention of the Council

**Recommendations of the Permanent Forum** 

## Future work of the Permanent Forum, including issues considered by the Economic and Social Council, the outcome document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples and emerging issues (item 6)

1. The Permanent Forum supports the enhanced participation of Indigenous Peoples and their representative institutions at the General Assembly and looks forward to the Human Rights Council intersessional meetings with the participation of Indigenous Peoples from all seven sociocultural regions. The Forum urges the Council and the Assembly to promote the enhanced participation of Indigenous Peoples and representative institutions and calls upon Member States to financially support the Indigenous Coordinating Body for Enhanced Participation in the United Nations.

2. The Permanent Forum welcomes the appointment of Robert Rae, Víctor García Toma, Claire Winfield Ngamihi Charters and Belkacem Lounes to lead consultations during the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly on the enhanced participation of Indigenous Peoples and their representative institutions, and encourages the President of the seventy-ninth session to continue the practice of enhanced participation.

3. The Permanent Forum recommends that the General Assembly conduct a highlevel meeting in September 2027 to evaluate the implementation of the outcome document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples and to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous





Peoples, with the enhanced participation of Indigenous Peoples as a key deliverable of the event. The Forum advocates for the support of Indigenous Peoples' preparatory efforts for that event by ensuring their full and effective participation and funding from Member States and the private sector.

4. The Permanent Forum welcomes the decision by the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization to establish a mechanism for the participation of Indigenous Peoples. The Forum believes that this mechanism will contribute to the improvement of the recognition of the rights of Indigenous Peoples, strengthen and promote dialogue between Governments and Amazonian Indigenous Peoples, and contribute to the objectives of the Treaty Organization. The Forum recommends that States members of the Treaty Organization guarantee the full and effective participation of Indigenous Peoples in all processes with a view to developing the operational structure of the mechanism. The Forum invites the Treaty Organization to present a progress report at the next session of the Forum in 2025. The Forum welcomes the opportunity to provide its expertise to the Treaty Organization.

5. The Permanent Forum recalls that, in the outcome document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples, Member States committed to "developing, in conjunction with the Indigenous Peoples concerned, fair transparent and effective mechanisms for ... repatriation of ceremonial objects and human remains at the national and international levels". The Forum urges United Nations entities to accurately identify affected Indigenous Peoples and provide them with advance notice and applicable timelines for both identification and repatriation so that Indigenous Peoples can request the repatriation of their ancestral remains, cultural patrimony and sacred objects.

6. The Permanent Forum welcomes the expanded use of the Indigenous Navigator tool, providing Indigenous Peoples with the means to monitor the implementation of the Declaration, the commitments made at the World Conference and the Sustainable Development Goals. The Forum invites the Indigenous Navigator consortium to deliver a presentation at the twenty-fourth session of the Forum in 2025 and encourages donors to continue to support this invaluable data collection tool for and by Indigenous Peoples.

7. The Permanent Forum encourages Member States to facilitate and finance the creation and work of Indigenous Peoples' media, avoiding content censorship. Information about and by Indigenous Peoples is essential for safeguarding the right to self-determination.

8. The Permanent Forum encourages the participation of two-spirit Indigenous Peoples in future sessions of the Forum, notes the multiple forms of violence they experience, and highlights their fight for sexual and gender diversity.

9. The Permanent Forum appoints expert member Darío José Mejía Montalvo to conduct a study entitled "Financial reforms of global institutions and the rights of Indigenous Peoples" and to present it to the Forum at its twenty-fourth session.

10. The Permanent Forum appoints expert members Aluki Kotierk, Vital Bambanze and Valentina Sovkina to conduct a study entitled "Involvement of Indigenous Peoples in truth and reconciliation processes" and to present it to the Forum at its twenty-fourth session.

11. The Permanent Forum appoints expert members Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim, Rodrigo Eduardo Paillalef Monnard and Hannah McGlade to conduct a study entitled "The rights of Indigenous Peoples in the context of critical minerals to ensure a just transition" and to present it to the Forum at its twenty-fourth session. 12. The Permanent Forum appoints expert members Hanieh Moghani, Suleiman Mamutov, Hannah McGlade, Vital Bambanze and Geoffrey Roth to conduct a study entitled "Impact of colonization and armed conflicts on Indigenous Peoples' rights: the imperative of peacebuilding" and to present it to the Forum at its twenty-fourth session.