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Allocation of agenda items to the Second Committee

Letter dated 20 September 2013 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chair of the Second Committee

I have the honour to inform you of the decisions taken by the General Assembly at the 2nd plenary meeting of its sixty-eighth session, on 20 September 2013, pertaining to the allocation of items to the Second Committee (see annex).

I wish to draw your attention to the relevant parts of sections III and IV of the report of the General Committee ([A/68/250](#)) concerning the agenda of the Main Committees.

I also draw your attention to the recommendations on the organization of the session contained in section II of the same report. Those recommendations were also approved by the General Assembly at its 2nd plenary meeting.

(Signed) John W. Ashe



Annex

Allocation of items to the Second Committee

1. Election of the officers of the Main Committees [item 5].
- A. Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences**
2. Information and communications technologies for development [item 16].
3. Macroeconomic policy questions [item 17]:
 - (a) International trade and development;
 - (b) International financial system and development;
 - (c) External debt sustainability and development;
 - (d) Commodities.
4. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2008 Review Conference [item 18].
5. Sustainable development [item 19]:
 - (a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development;
 - (b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;
 - (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction;
 - (d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind;
 - (e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa;
 - (f) Convention on Biological Diversity;
 - (g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its first universal session;
 - (h) Harmony with Nature;
 - (i) Sustainable mountain development;
 - (j) The role of the international community in the prevention of the radiation threat in Central Asia.

6. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) [item 20].
7. Globalization and interdependence [item 21]:
 - (a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence;
 - (b) Science and technology for development;
 - (c) Development cooperation with middle-income countries;
 - (d) Culture and development.
8. Groups of countries in special situations [item 22]:
 - (a) Follow-up to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;
 - (b) Comprehensive 10-year Review Conference on the Implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action.
9. Eradication of poverty and other development issues [item 23]:
 - (a) Implementation of the Second United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2008-2017);
 - (b) Women in development;
 - (c) Human resources development.
10. Operational activities for development [item 24]:
 - (a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system;
 - (b) South-South cooperation.
11. Agriculture development, food security and nutrition [item 25].
12. Towards global partnerships [item 26].

B. Maintenance of international peace and security

13. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources [item 61].

I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

14. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [item 122].
15. Programme planning [item 135].