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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR
THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY DEVOTED TO INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION, IN PARTICULAR
TO THE REVITALIZATION OF ECONOMIC
GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Second session

26 February-2 March 1990

Agenda item 3

ORGANIZATION OF WORK OF THE SPECIAL SESSION

Draft decision submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee,
Mr. Wang Baoliu (China), on the basis of informal consultations

Provisional agenda and organizational matters

The Preparatory Committee decides to recommend to the eighteenth special session of the General Assembly the adoption of the following provisional agenda and organization of work:

1. Provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Nigeria.
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation.
3. Credentials of representatives to the eighteenth special session of the General Assembly:
 - (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
 - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.

4. Election of the President.
5. Report of the Preparatory Committee for the eighteenth special session.
6. Organization of the session.
7. Adoption of the agenda.
8. General debate.
9. International economic co-operation, in particular the revitalization of economic growth and development of the developing countries.

2. Structure of the special session

The special session will convene plenary meetings to conduct a general debate and to allow heads of State or Government and ministers or heads of delegation to speak on the substantive item. It should establish an ad hoc committee of the whole to consider the item, taking into account the recommendations of the Preparatory Committee. The Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole should have one Chairman, three Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur, on the basis of equitable geographical distribution. Every effort should be made to strive as far as possible towards consensus on matters of substance.

3. President

The special session should take place under the presidency of the President of the forty-fourth session of the General Assembly.

4. Vice-Presidents

The Vice-Presidents of the special session should be the same as at the forty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly, on the understanding that regional groups may make substitutions of the Vice-Presidents allocated to each group.

5. Credentials Committee

The Credentials Committee of the special session should have the same membership as the Credentials Committee of the forty-fourth session of the General Assembly.

6. General Committee

The General Committee of the special session should consist of the President of the special session of the General Assembly; the 21 Vice-Presidents and the Chairmen of the seven Main Committees of the forty-fourth session of the General Assembly, on the understanding that they may be substituted by members of their delegations or members of the delegations of States belonging to the same regional group; and the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole for the special session.

7. Rules of procedure

The rules of procedure of the General Assembly should apply at the special session.

8. Level of representation

Member States should be represented at the special session at the highest possible political level.

9. General debate

Item 9 of the provisional agenda should be included in the general debate (item 8). Participation in plenary meetings should be in accordance with the established rules and practice of the General Assembly.

10. Allocation of items

It is recommended that item 9 of the provisional agenda be allocated to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole for consideration.

11. Participation

(a) On the basis of specific requests, observer non-Member States should be invited to participate in the general debate in the plenary meeting;

(b) The Executive Heads of the concerned United Nations specialized agencies should be invited to participate in the general debate in the plenary meeting. Each statement should not exceed 10 minutes;

(c) Interested intergovernmental organizations having received a standing invitation to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly should be invited to participate in the general debate in the plenary meeting. Each statement should not exceed 10 minutes;

(d) A representative of one non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council could address the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole on behalf of interested non-governmental organizations. Such a statement should not exceed 10 minutes;

(e) On the basis of specific requests, the Preparatory Committee recommends that the special session take a decision to invite other relevant intergovernmental and interregional organizations of an economic nature to participate and speak on an ad hoc basis during the session. Such statements should not exceed 10 minutes.
