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(HABITAT II)

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Adoption of the report
of the first session of
the Preparatory Committee

**DRAFT REPORT OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE
FOR THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON HUMAN
SETTLEMENTS (HABITAT II) ON ITS FIRST SESSION**

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) held its first session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 11 to 22 April 1994.
2. The session was opened by Ms. P. Mboya of Kenya, Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee. She reported to the Committee that the Secretary-General of the United Nations had been notified of the withdrawal of Canada from the Chairmanship of the Committee. The Committee then elected Mr. Martti Lujanen (Finland) Chairman of the Committee by acclamation. The Chairman made an opening statement. A summary of his statement is given in Annex III, section A.
3. The Secretary-General of the Conference, Mr. W. N'Dow, made a statement; a summary appears in annex III, section B. The Under-Secretary-General, Ms. E. Dowdeswell, also made a statement, a summary appears in annex III, section C. The session was then inaugurated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations. His statement appears in annex IV.

B. Attendance

4. The following States were represented:

Algeria	Kuwait
Argentina	Malawi
Australia	Mauritania
Austria	Mexico
Azerbaijan	Mongolia
Bangladesh	Myanmar
Barbados	Namibia
Belgium	Nepal
Botswana	Netherlands
Brazil	New Zealand
Bulgaria	Nicaragua
Burkina Faso	Niger
Burundi	Nigeria
Canada	Norway
Central African Republic	Peru
Chile	Philippines
China	Poland
Colombia	Republic of Korea
Congo	Romania
Costa Rica	Russian Federation
Croatia	Senegal
Cuba	Spain
Denmark	Sri Lanka
Ecuador	Sweden
Egypt	Switzerland
Ethiopia	Thailand
Finland	The Former Yugoslav
France	Republic of Macedonia
Germany	Tunisia
Greece	Turkey
Holy See	Uganda
Hungary	United Arab Emirates
Iceland	United Kingdom of Great
India	Britain and Northern Ireland
Indonesia	United Republic of
Iran, Islamic Republic of	Tanzania
Iraq	United States of America
Ireland	Venezuela
Israel	Viet Nam
Italy	Yemen
Japan	Zambia
Jordan	
Kenya	

5. The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Environment Programme, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Volunteers, the Economic Commission for Africa, the Economic Commission for Europe, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia were represented.

6. The following specialized agencies were represented: the International Labour Organisation, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization and the World Bank.

7. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented: African Housing Fund, Inter-Parliamentary Union and the League of Arab States.

8. A delegation from Palestine attended the session.

9. A representative of the Pan African Congress of Azania (S.A.) attended the session.

10. The following non-governmental organizations were represented at the session: Ahmedabad Study Action Group, Arc-Peace, Baha'i International Community, Caritas International, Environmental Quality International, Federation National des Travailleurs de la Construction, Habitat-Cuba, Habitat International Coalition, Hassan Fathy Institute for Construction Workers, Institut de Recherche sur l'Environnement, International Academy of Architecture, International Council of Women, International Federation of Building and Wood Workers, International Real Estate Federation, International Rural Housing Association, International Union of Architecture, International Union of Local Authorities, International Union of Tenants, International Urban Development Association, International Youth and Student Movement for the United Nations, Pathways to Peace and World Federation of United Nations Associations. A representative of the City College of New York (Architectural Department) attended the session.

C. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

11. The Preparatory Committee considered its agenda and the organization of work at its 2nd plenary meeting, on 11 April 1994. The provisional agenda as adopted was as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
2. Preparations for the Conference: progress report of the Secretary-General.
3. Preparations at the country level.
4. Preparations at the regional and global levels.
5. Draft statement of principles and commitments.
6. Draft issue papers and the draft format for the programmes and subprogrammes of the plan of action.

7. Arrangements for future sessions of the Preparatory Committee.
 8. Provisional agenda for the second session of the Preparatory Committee.
 9. Adoption of the report of the first session of the Preparatory Committee.
12. At the second plenary meeting, the Preparatory Committee established two sessional committees of the whole and allocated agenda items to them as follows:
- Committee I: Agenda items 3 and 4;
Committee II: Agenda items 5 and 6.
13. Committee I held ___ meetings from 12 to __ April, and Committee II held __ meetings from 13 to __ April. The recommendations of both committees have been incorporated in the present report.

D. Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee

14. The Preparatory Committee adopted the present report of its ___ meeting on __ April.