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*President:* Mr. Kőrösi . . . . . (Hungary)

*In the absence of the President, Mr. Hikmat (Tajikistan), Vice-President, took the Chair.*

*The meeting was called to order at 3 p.m.*

## Reports of the Second Committee

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly will now consider the reports of the Second Committee on agenda items 15 to 24, 56, 124 and 139.

I now request the Rapporteur of the Committee, Ms. Francesca Cassar of Malta, to introduce the reports of the Committee in one intervention.

**Ms. Cassar** (Malta), Rapporteur of the Second Committee: It is an honour for me to introduce to the General Assembly the reports of the Second Committee on the agenda items allocated to it by the General Assembly at its seventy-seventh session.

Those reports, contained in documents A/77/440 to A/77/452, include the texts of draft resolutions and decisions recommended by the Second Committee to the General Assembly for adoption.

For the convenience of delegations, a checklist of actions taken in the Committee has been prepared and circulated by the Secretariat in document A/C.2/77/INF/1.

At its first meeting, on 29 September, the Second Committee approved the working arrangements of the Committee for the seventy-seventh session as set out in document A/C.2/77/L.1, entitled "Organization of Work of the Second Committee".

As a result, during this main part of the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly, the Second Committee held 25 plenary meetings and one side event, as well as a joint meeting with the Economic and Social Council. The Committee also held its annual dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the Regional Commissions.

The Second Committee adopted a total of 41 draft resolutions, seven of which were adopted by recorded vote, and two draft decisions on the revitalization of the Committee's work.

Under agenda item 15, entitled "Information and communications technologies for sustainable development", the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/440, paragraph 12, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 16, entitled "Macroeconomic policy questions", the report of the Committee is issued in six parts. The report under the chapeau is contained in document A/77/441, and the recommendations are contained in the chapeau as well as in the addenda.

Under the chapeau of item 16, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/441, paragraph 16, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 16 (a), entitled "International trade and development", the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/441/Add.1, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 16 (b), entitled "International financial system and development", the Second

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Committee recommends, in document A/77/441/Add.2, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 16 (c), entitled “External debt sustainability and development”, the Committee recommends, in document A/77/441/Add.3, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 16 (d), entitled “Promotion of international cooperation to combat illicit financial flows and strengthen good practices on assets return to foster sustainable development”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/441/Add.4, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 16 (e), entitled “Promoting investments for sustainable development”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/441/Add.5, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 17, entitled “Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development”, the Committee recommends, in document A/77/442, paragraph 12, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 18, entitled “Sustainable development”, the report of the Committee is issued in 12 parts. The report under the chapeau is contained in document A/77/443, and the recommendations are contained in the chapeau as well as in the addenda.

Under the chapeau of item 18, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443, paragraph 32, the adoption of four draft resolutions.

Under sub-item 18 (a), entitled “Towards the achievement of sustainable development: implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including through sustainable consumption and production, building on Agenda 21”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.1, paragraph 13, the adoption of two draft resolutions.

Under sub-item 18(b), entitled “Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.2, paragraph 14, the adoption of two draft resolutions.

Under sub-item 18 (c), entitled “Disaster risk reduction”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.3, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 18 (d), entitled “Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.4, paragraph 11, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 18(e), entitled “Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.5, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 18 (f), entitled “Convention on Biological Diversity”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.6, paragraph 10, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 18 (g), entitled “Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.7, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 18 (h), entitled “Harmony with Nature”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.8, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 18(i), entitled “Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.9, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 18 (j), entitled “Combating sand and dust storms”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.10, paragraph 7, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 18 (k), entitled “Sustainable mountain development”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/443/Add.11, paragraph 7, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 19, entitled “Follow-up to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)”, the Committee

recommends, in document A/77/444, paragraph 12, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 20, entitled “Globalization and interdependence”, the report of the Committee is issued in three parts. The report under the chapeau is contained in document A/77/445, and the recommendations are contained in the chapeau as well as in the addenda.

Under the chapeau of item 20, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/445, paragraph 14, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 20 (a), entitled “Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/445/Add.1, paragraph 10, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 20 (b), entitled “International migration and development”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/445/Add.2, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 21, entitled “Groups of countries in special situations”, the report of the Committee is issued in three parts. The report under the chapeau is contained in document A/77/446, and the recommendations are contained in the following addenda.

Under sub-item 21 (a), entitled “Follow-up to the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/446/Add.1, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 21 (b), entitled “Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/446/Add.2, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 22, entitled “Eradication of poverty and other development issues”, the report of the Committee is issued in six parts. The report under the chapeau is contained in document A/77/447, and the recommendations are contained in the chapeau as well as in the addenda.

Under the chapeau of item 22, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/447, paragraph 13, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 22 (a), entitled “Implementation of the Third United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2018–2027)”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/447/Add.1, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 22 (b), entitled “Industrial development cooperation”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/447/Add.2, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 22 (c), entitled “Women in development”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/447/Add.3, paragraph 14, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 22 (d), entitled “Human resources development”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/447/Add.4, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 22 (e), entitled “Eradicating rural poverty to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/447/Add.5, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 23, entitled “Operational activities for development”, the report of the Committee is issued in three parts. The report under the chapeau is contained in document A/77/448, and the recommendations are contained in the following addenda.

Under sub-item 23 (a), entitled “Operational activities for development of the United Nations system”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/448/Add.1, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under sub-item 23 (b), entitled “South-South cooperation for development”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/448/Add.2, paragraph 8, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 24, entitled “Agriculture development, food security and nutrition”, the Committee recommends, in document A/77/449, paragraph 14, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 56, entitled “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”, the Committee recommends,

in document A/77/450, paragraph 15, the adoption of one draft resolution.

Under agenda item 124, entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, the Second Committee recommends, in document A/77/451, paragraph 9, the adoption of two draft decisions.

Under agenda item 139, entitled “Programme planning”, as indicated in paragraph 2 of document A/77/452, no action was required on the item.

That concludes my introduction of the reports of the Second Committee before the Assembly. Although it was not possible to find consensus on all texts negotiated in the Committee, all representatives demonstrated a commitment to achieving the best possible outcome in support of our common goals, thus enabling the Committee to conclude its work on time. I sincerely congratulate Member States on that commendable feat.

In that regard, on behalf of the Bureau of the Second Committee, I would like to express our appreciation to all the facilitators and coordinators and to all delegations for their constructive participation, hard work and engagement throughout the session.

I take this opportunity also to acknowledge the leadership of the Chair of the Committee, Her Excellency Lachezara Stoeva of Bulgaria, as well as the commitment of the other members of the Bureau and Vice-Chairs, namely, Mr. Abdulrahman Abdulaziz Al-thani of Qatar, Mr. Vladamir Budhu of Trinidad and Tobago, and Mr. Ahmed Magdy of Egypt.

I also express the thanks of our Bureau to the Secretary of the Second Committee and her team from the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management for the support and guidance provided to the Bureau and to delegations as well as to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and other substantive offices that supported the work of the Committee.

Finally, I take this opportunity to wish all delegations very happy holidays and some much-deserved rest.

**The Acting President:** I thank the Rapporteur of the Second Committee.

The positions of delegations regarding the recommendations of the Committee have been made

clear in the Committee and are reflected in the relevant official records.

Therefore, if there is no proposal under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, I shall take it that the General Assembly decides not to discuss the reports of the Committee that are before the Assembly today.

*It was so decided.*

**The Acting President:** Statements will therefore be limited to explanations of vote or position.

May I remind members that in accordance with General Assembly decision 34/401, a delegation should, as far as possible, explain its vote only once, that is, either in the Committee or in plenary meeting, unless that delegation’s vote in plenary meeting is different from its vote in the Committee, and that explanations are limited to 10 minutes and should be made by delegations from their seats.

When there are multiple proposals under an agenda item, statements in explanation of vote or position before the voting on any or all of them should be made in one intervention, followed by action on all of them, one by one. Thereafter, there will be an opportunity for statements in explanation after decisions on any or all of them in one intervention.

Before we begin to take action on the recommendations contained in the reports of the Committee, I would like to advise representatives that we will proceed to take decisions in the same manner as was done in the Committee, unless the Secretariat is notified otherwise in advance.

That means that where separate or recorded votes were taken, we will do the same. I also hope that we may proceed to adopt without a vote those recommendations that were adopted without a vote in the Committee. The results of the voting will be uploaded on the e-deleGATE portal under plenary announcements.

I would like to draw the attention of members to a note by the Secretariat entitled “List of proposals contained in the reports of the Second Committee for consideration by the General Assembly”, which has been issued as document A/C.2/77/INF/1.

Members are reminded that additional co-sponsors are no longer accepted now that draft resolutions and decisions have been adopted in the Committee. Any clarification about co-sponsorship should be addressed to the Secretary of the Committee. Furthermore, any

corrections to the voting intentions of delegations after the voting has concluded on a proposal should be addressed directly to the Secretariat after the meeting. I count on the cooperation of members in avoiding any interruptions to our proceedings in that regard.

## Agenda item 15

### Information and communications technologies for sustainable development

#### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/440)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 12 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/150).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 15?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 16

### Macroeconomic policy questions

#### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/441)

#### Draft amendment (A/77/L.39)

**The Acting President:** I should like to inform members that action on the draft resolution is postponed to a later date to allow time for the review of its programme budget implications by the Fifth Committee. The Assembly will take action on the draft resolution as soon as the report of the Fifth Committee on its programme budget implications is available, immediately following the action on the draft amendment.

The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 16.

## (a) International trade and development

### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/441/Add.1)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution.

A separate recorded vote has been requested on operative paragraph 24 of the draft resolution. I shall therefore put that paragraph to the vote first.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, France, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Albania, Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada,



Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Türkiye

*Operative paragraph 24 was retained by 122 votes to 48, with 1 abstention.*

**The Acting President:** The Committee adopted the draft resolution as a whole without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/151).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 16?

*It was so decided.*

## **(b) International financial system and development**

### **Report of the Second Committee**

**(A/77/441/Add.2)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/152).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 16?

*It was so decided.*

## **(c) External debt sustainability and development**

### **Report of the Second Committee**

**(A/77/441/Add.3)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/153).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 16?

*It was so decided.*

## **(d) Promotion of international cooperation to combat illicit financial flows and strengthen good practices on assets return to foster sustainable development**

### **Report of the Second Committee**

**(A/77/441/Add.4)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/154).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 16?

*It was so decided.*

## **(e) Promoting investments for sustainable development**

### **Report of the Second Committee**

**(A/77/441/Add.5)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without

a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/155).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 16?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 17

### Follow-up to and implementation of the outcomes of the International Conferences on Financing for Development

#### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/442)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 12 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Second Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/156).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 17?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 18

### Sustainable development

#### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/443)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it four draft resolutions recommended by the Committee in paragraph 32 of its report.

We will now take a decision on draft resolutions I to IV, one by one.

We turn first to draft resolution I, entitled "Oil slick on Lebanese shores".

A recorded vote has been requested.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain,

Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Australia, Canada, Israel, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Nauru, Palau, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Cameroon, Guatemala, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, South Sudan

*Draft resolution I was adopted by 160 votes to 8, with 5 abstentions (resolution 77/157).*

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution II is entitled "International Year of Glaciers' Preservation,

2025". The Committee adopted draft resolution II without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*Draft resolution II was adopted (resolution 77/158).*

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution III is entitled "Enhancing the role of parliaments in accelerating the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals". The Committee adopted draft resolution III without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*Draft resolution III was adopted (resolution 77/159).*

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution IV is entitled "Entrepreneurship for sustainable development".

A recorded vote has been requested.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Albania, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Sudan, Spain, Suriname,

Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Türkiye, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Zambia

*Against:*

Algeria, Bahrain, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brunei Darussalam, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Egypt, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Malaysia, Namibia, Nicaragua, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen

*Abstaining:*

Angola, China, South Africa, Sri Lanka

*Draft resolution IV was adopted by 145 votes to 27, with 4 abstentions (resolution 77/160).*

[Subsequently, the delegation of Maldives informed the Secretariat that it had intended to abstain.]

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 18.

**(a) Towards the achievement of sustainable development: implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including through sustainable consumption and production, building on Agenda 21**

**Report of the Second Committee (A/77/443/Add.1)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it two draft resolutions recommended by the Committee in paragraph 13 of its report. We will now take a decision on draft resolutions I and II, one by one.

We turn first to draft resolution I, entitled "Promoting zero waste initiatives to advance the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development". The Committee adopted draft resolution I without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*Draft resolution I was adopted (resolution 77/161).*

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution II is entitled "Promoting sustainable consumption and production patterns for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, building on Agenda 21". The



Committee adopted draft resolution II without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*Draft resolution II was adopted (resolution 77/162).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 18.

**(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States**

**Report of the Second Committee  
(A/77/443/Add.2)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it two draft resolutions recommended by the Committee in paragraph 14 of its report.

Before proceeding further, I should like to inform members that action on draft resolution II, entitled "Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States", is postponed to a later date to allow time for the review of the programme budget implications by the Fifth Committee.

The Assembly will take action on draft resolution II as soon as the report of the Fifth Committee on the programme budget implications is available.

We will now take a decision on draft resolution I, entitled "Towards the sustainable development of the Caribbean Sea for present and future generations". The Committee adopted draft resolution I without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*Draft resolution I was adopted (resolution 77/163).*

**The Acting President:** I shall now call on those representatives who wish to speak in explanation of position after the voting.

**Mr. Guerra Sansonetti** (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (*spoke in Spanish*): The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela aligns itself with the adoption by consensus of resolution 77/163, entitled "Towards the sustainable development of the Caribbean Sea for present and future generations".

However, we have express reservations regarding the content of the ninth preambular paragraph, since we are not a party to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Our delegation reiterates the need to update the aforementioned Convention, since some of the elements contained therein continue to prevent our country from ratifying it. Its norms are not applicable under conventional international law or customary international law, with the exception of those that Venezuela has recognized or will recognize in future through their incorporation into national legislation.

For those reasons, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela requests that its express reservations on the ninth preambular paragraph of the resolution be duly reflected in the official records of this meeting.

Finally, allow me to congratulate both the secretariat of the Second Committee and its Bureau, as well as Mr. Ahmed Magdy of Egypt, for the work accomplished during the process of negotiations on the resolution.

**Ms. İstemil Aydil** (Türkiye): Türkiye welcomes the adoption of resolution 77/163, entitled "Towards the Sustainable development of the Caribbean Sea for present and future generations". While we join the consensus, we would like to reiterate that Türkiye disassociates itself from the references made in the resolution to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Those references cannot be construed as a change in the legal position of Türkiye with regard to that instrument.

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 18.

**(c) Disaster risk reduction**

**Report of the Second Committee  
(A/77/443/Add.3)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/164).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 18.

**(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind**

**Report of the Committee (A/77/443/Add.4)**

**Draft amendment (A/77/L.38)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 11 of its report and a draft amendment circulated as document A/77/L.38.

I now call on the representative of the United States, who wishes to speak in explanation of vote before the voting.

**Ms. Maniscalco** (United States of America): As in years past, the United States cannot support operative paragraph 13 of the draft resolution contained in document A/77/443/Add.4. We regret that that paragraph continues to promote the domestic political priorities of one Member State rather than including consensus language from the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development that reflects our shared position on sustainable development. We expect that future iterations of this resolution will advance the interests of all Member States and eschew narrow political messaging, which undermines consensus, the work of the Second Committee and our ability to work together in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

**The Acting President:** In accordance with rule 90 of the rules of procedure, the Assembly shall first take a decision on the draft amendment.

I now give the floor to the representative of the Secretariat.

**Mr. Nakano** (Department for General Assembly and Conference Management): I should like to announce that since the submission of the draft amendment, and in addition to the delegation listed in document A/77/L.38, no country has become a co-sponsor.

A recorded vote has been requested.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Albania, Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark,

Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

*Against:*

Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Abstaining:*

Costa Rica, Papua New Guinea, Togo

*Draft amendment A/77/L.38 was rejected by 99 votes to 54, with 3 abstentions.*

**The Acting President:** We will now take a decision on the draft resolution.

A separate recorded vote has been requested on operative paragraph 13 of the draft resolution. If there

is no objection, I shall therefore put that paragraph to the vote first.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Albania, Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Togo, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Costa Rica

*Operative paragraph 13 was retained by 109 votes to 53, with 1 abstention.*

**The Acting President:** The Committee adopted the draft resolution as a whole without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution, as a whole, was adopted (resolution 77/165).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 18?

*It was so decided.*

**(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa**

**Report of the Second Committee (A/77/443/Add.5)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/166).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 18?

*It was so decided.*

**(f) Convention on Biological Diversity**

**Report of the Second Committee (A/77/443/Add.6)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 10 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution, entitled "Implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity and its contribution to sustainable development".

A separate recorded vote has been requested on operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution. I shall therefore put that paragraph to the vote first.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Türkiye, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Israel, Japan, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Republic of Korea

*Operative paragraph 2 of the draft resolution was retained by 166 votes to 3, with 1 abstention.*

**The Acting President:** The Committee adopted the draft resolution as a whole without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution, as a whole, was adopted (resolution 77/167).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 18?

*It was so decided.*

**(g) Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme**

**Report of the Second Committee (A/77/443/Add.7)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/168).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (g) of agenda item 18?

*It was so decided.*

**(h) Harmony with Nature**

**Report of the Second Committee (A/77/443/Add.8)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/169).*



**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (h) of agenda item 18?

*It was so decided.*

**(i) Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all**

**Report of the Second Committee  
(A/77/443/Add.9)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/170).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (i) of agenda item 18?

*It was so decided.*

**(j) Combating sand and dust storms**

**Report of the Second Committee  
(A/77/443/Add.10)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 7 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution.

A recorded vote has been requested.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador,

Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Türkiye, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Israel, Nauru, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Australia

*The draft resolution was adopted by 173 votes to 3, with 1 abstention (resolution 77/171).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (j) of agenda item 18.

**(k) Sustainable mountain development**

**Report of the Second Committee  
(A/77/443/Add.11)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 7 of its report.



We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/172).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (k) of agenda item 18?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 19

### Follow-up to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

#### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/444)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 12 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/173).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 19?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 20

### Globalization and interdependence

#### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/445)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 14 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution, entitled "Towards a New International Economic Order".

A recorded vote has been requested.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain,

Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Albania, Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Türkiye

*The draft resolution was adopted by 123 votes to 50, with 1 abstention (resolution 77/174).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 20.

**(a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence**

**Report of the Second Committee  
(A/77/445/Add.1)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 10 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution.

A separate recorded vote has been requested on the ninth preambular paragraph of the draft resolution. I shall therefore put that paragraph to the vote first.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Albania, Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Japan, Norway, Papua New Guinea, Republic of Korea, Türkiye

*The ninth preambular paragraph of the draft resolution was retained by 112 votes to 47, with 5 abstentions.*

**The Acting President:** I now put to the vote the draft resolution as a whole, on which a recorded vote has been requested.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar,

Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Türkiye, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Israel, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Albania, Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

*The draft resolution, as a whole, was adopted by 130 votes to 2, with 45 abstentions (resolution 77/175).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 20?

*It was so decided.*

#### **(b) International migration and development**

##### **Report of the Second Committee (A/77/445/Add.2)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/176).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 20?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 21**

##### **Groups of countries in special situations**

##### **Report of the Second Committee (A/77/446)**

**The Acting President:** May I take it that the General Assembly wishes to take note of the report of the Committee?

*It was so decided (decision 77/536).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 21.

##### **(a) Follow-up to the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries**

##### **Report of the Second Committee (A/77/446/Add.1)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/177).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 21.

##### **(b) Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries**

##### **Report of the Second Committee (A/77/446/Add.2)**

**The Acting President:** I should like to inform members that action on the draft resolution is postponed to a later date to allow time for the review of its programme budget implications by the Fifth Committee.

The Assembly will take action on the draft resolution as soon as the report of the Fifth Committee on its programme budget implications is available.

The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 21.

## Agenda item 22

### Eradication of poverty and other development issues

#### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/447)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 13 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution, entitled “Promotion of sustainable and resilient tourism, including ecotourism for poverty eradication and environment protection”. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/178).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 22.

#### (a) Implementation of the Third United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2018-2027)

##### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/447/Add.1)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/179).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 22?

*It was so decided.*

#### (b) Industrial development cooperation

##### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/447/Add.2)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/180).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 22?

*It was so decided.*

#### (c) Women in development

##### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/447/Add.3)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 14 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/181).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 22?

*It was so decided.*

#### (d) Human resources development

##### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/447/Add.4)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/182).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 22?

*It was so decided.*

**(e) Eradicating rural poverty to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

**Report of the Second Committee  
(A/77/447/Add.5)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution.

A recorded vote has been requested.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia

*Against:*

Albania, Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Palau, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

*The draft resolution was adopted by 123 votes to 51 (resolution 77/183).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 22?

*It was so decided.*

**Agenda item 23**

**Operational activities for development**

**Report of the Second Committee (A/77/448)**

**The Acting President:** May I take it that the General Assembly wishes to take note of the report of the Committee?

*It was so decided (decision 77/537).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 23.

**(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system**

**Report of the Second Committee  
(A/77/448/Add.1)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/184).*



**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 23?

*It was so decided.*

#### **(b) South-South cooperation for development**

##### **Report of the Second Committee (A/77/448/Add.2)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 8 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution, entitled "South-South cooperation". The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/185).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 23 and item 23 as a whole?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 24**

##### **Agriculture development, food security and nutrition**

##### **Report of the Second Committee (A/77/449)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 14 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 77/186).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 24?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 56**

##### **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**

##### **Report of the Second Committee (A/77/450)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Committee in paragraph 15 of its report.

We will now take a decision on the draft resolution.

A recorded vote has been requested.

*A recorded vote was taken.*

*In favour:*

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czechia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Türkiye, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great

Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe

*Against:*

Canada, Chad, Israel, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Nauru, Palau, United States of America

*Abstaining:*

Australia, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Guatemala, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Solomon Islands, South Sudan, Togo, Tuvalu

*The draft resolution was adopted by 159 votes to 8, with 10 abstentions (resolution 77/187).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 56?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 124

### Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

#### Report of the Committee (A/77/451)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it two draft decisions recommended by the Committee in paragraph 9 of its report.

We will now take decisions on draft decisions I and II, one by one.

Draft decision I is entitled "Revitalization of the work of the Second Committee". The Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*Draft decision I was adopted (decision 77/538)*

**The Acting President:** Draft decision II is entitled "Draft programme of work of the Second Committee for the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly". The Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*Draft decision II was adopted (decision 77/539).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 124.

## Agenda item 139

### Programme planning

#### Report of the Second Committee (A/77/452)

**The Acting President:** May I take it that the General Assembly wishes to take note of the report of the Committee?

*It was so decided (decision 77/540).*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 139.

The General Assembly has thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Second Committee before it for this meeting.

I will now deliver brief closing remarks on behalf of the President of the General Assembly.

"I thank Ambassador Lachezara Stoeva, Permanent Representative of Bulgaria and Chair of the Second Committee, for her outstanding leadership in steering the work of the Committee. My thanks also go to the Bureau members and the Secretariat as well as to all members for their active engagement in and contribution to the work of the Committee.

After a two-year halt due to the coronavirus disease, they have managed to renegotiate in full the majority of resolutions. Progress was made on key issues, for example, on financing for development with reference to a multidimensional vulnerability index and "beyond gross domestic product", as well as on international taxation cooperation.

They entrusted me with many mandates, one of them originating from a new resolution on zero waste, which I have already started working on with my team. I encourage members to maintain their openness and to continue this dialogue leading up to the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, which will constitute the midpoint review of the implementation of the 17 Goals. I expect the Summit to accelerate implementation, unlock new commitments and spur the adoption of innovative policies based on scientific inputs.

The attention of the people of the world is on us; we must deliver for them."

*The meeting rose at 4.20 p.m.*