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*In the absence of Mr. Olhaye (Djibouti), Mr. Matute (Peru), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.*

*The meeting was called to order at 3.25 p.m.*

**Agenda item 98: Sectoral policy questions** (*continued*)  
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**(c) Industrial development cooperation** (*continued*)

*Draft resolutions on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa* (A/C.2/54/L.27 and L.64)

1. **Mr. Niculescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.64, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.27, and recommended its adoption by consensus.

2. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.64 was adopted.*

3. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.27 was withdrawn.*

**Agenda item 99: Sustainable development and international economic cooperation** (*continued*)  
(A/C.2/54/L.20 and L.63; A/54/8)

**(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade** (*continued*)

*Draft resolutions on the implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade* (A/C.2/54/L.20 and L.63)

4. **Mr. Niculescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.63, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.20, and recommended its adoption by consensus.

5. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.63 was adopted.*

6. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.20 was withdrawn.*

**(b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)** (*continued*)

7. **The Chairman** drew attention to the report of the Commission on Human Settlements (A/54/8), containing the text of resolution 17/1, entitled "Follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)" which the Commission wished to recommend to the General Assembly for adoption. The resolution had been considered in informal consultations and no changes had been proposed. He therefore suggested that the Committee should recommend it to the General Assembly for adoption.

8. *It was so decided.*

9. **Mr. Yao** (Côte d'Ivoire) said that it had been his understanding that it had been decided, during the informal consultations, that paragraph 3 of the resolution should be deleted.

10. **Mr. Niculescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman and Coordinator for the sub-item, said that paragraph 3 would, indeed, be deleted.

11. **The Chairman** suggested that the Committee should adopt the following draft decision:

"The General Assembly takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda (A/54/322)"

12. *The draft decision was adopted.*

13. *Mr. Niculescu (Romania), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.*

**Agenda item 100: Environment and sustainable development** (*continued*) (A/C.2/54/L.17 and L.67)

*Draft resolutions on the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme* (A/C.2/54/L.17 and L.67)

14. **Mr. Matute** (Peru), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.67, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.17, and recommended its adoption by consensus.

15. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.67 was adopted.*

16. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.17 was withdrawn.*

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

*(continued)*

*Draft resolutions on the implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (A/C.2/54/L.8 and L.62)*

17. **Ms. Kelley** (Secretary of the Committee), reading out a statement of programme budget implications for draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.62, said that the conference servicing requirements for the biennium 2000-2001 of the meetings of the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies were estimated at US\$ 3,615,000 at full cost. The extent to which the Organization's permanent capacity would need to be supplemented by temporary assistance resources could be determined only in the light of the calendar of conferences and meetings for the biennium 2000-2001. However, provision was made under section 2, General Assembly Affairs and Conference Servicing, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 not only for meetings programmed at the time of budget preparation, but also for meetings authorized subsequently provided that the number and distribution of meetings were consistent with the pattern of meetings per year, experienced in the past. Consequently, should draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.62 be adopted, no additional appropriations under section 2 would be required in the 2000-2001 programme budget.

18. **Mr. Matute** (Peru), Vice-Chairman, introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.62, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.8, and recommended its adoption.

19. **Mr. Biaou** (Benin), speaking as coordinator for the Group of 77 and China on the item, pointed out that paragraphs 5 and 22 were identical; paragraph 5 should therefore be deleted.

20. **The Chairman** said that paragraph 5 would be deleted, and the following paragraphs would be renumbered accordingly.

21. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.62, as orally revised, was adopted.*

22. *Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.8 was withdrawn.*

*The meeting rose at 4 p.m.*