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Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: 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

Report of the Second Committee*

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I. Introduction

1. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on agenda item 97 (see A/56/560, para. 2). Action on sub-item (d) was taken at the 27th and 39th meetings, on 19 November and 11 December 2001. An account of the Committee's consideration of the sub-item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/56/SR.27 and 39).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.23

2. At the 27th meeting, on 19 November, the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Implementation of 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.2/56/L.23).

* The report of the Committee on this item will be issued in six parts, under the symbol A/56/560 and Add.1-5.



3. At the 39th meeting, on 11 December, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), informed the Committee of the outcome of the informal consultations held on the draft resolution and orally revised operative paragraph 2 by inserting the words “issue of” before the words “further development of a new international development strategy”.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.23, as orally revised (see para. 5).

III. Recommendation of the Second Committee

5. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Implementation of 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

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the importance and continuing validity of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, contained in the annex to its resolution S-18/3 of 1 May 1990, and of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, contained in the annex to its resolution 45/199 of 21 December 1990,

Recalling its resolutions 45/234 of 21 December 1990, 46/144 of 17 December 1991, 47/152 of 18 December 1992, 48/185 of 21 December 1993, 49/92 of 19 December 1994, 51/173 of 16 December 1996, 53/178 of 15 December 1998, 54/206 of 22 December 1999 and 55/190 of 20 December 2000, and the Agenda for Development,¹

Recalling also the results of all the major United Nations conferences and summit meetings held since the beginning of the 1990s,

Reaffirming the United Nations Millennium Declaration,² in particular the targets and commitments relating to development and poverty eradication,

Recalling the outcomes of the special session of the General Assembly to review and address the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome,³ the Third United Nations Conference on the Least

¹ Resolution 51/240, annex.

² See resolution 55/2.

³ Resolution S-26/2, annex.

Developed Countries,⁴ and the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda,⁵

Emphasizing the importance of the other development-oriented meetings to be convened under the auspices of the United Nations in 2002, including the International Conference on Financing for Development, the special session of the General Assembly on children and the World Summit on Sustainable Development,

1. *Expresses regret* that the consultations foreseen in resolution 54/206 of 22 December 1999 could not be held;

2. *Decides* to consider the issue of further development of a new international development strategy during the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, on the basis of the outcomes of the aforementioned meetings and keeping in mind the outcome of the review of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s;⁶

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session with an overview of the challenges and constraints as well as progress made towards achieving the major development goals and objectives adopted by the United Nations during the past decade;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session the sub-item entitled “Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: implementation of 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”.

⁴ A/CONF.191/11.

⁵ Resolution S-25/2, annex.

⁶ Resolution 46/151, annex, sect. II.