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Final review and appraisal of the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s: implementation of the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa

Algeria, Angola, Azerbaijan, Central African Republic, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Gabon, Greece, Italy, Kenya, Malawi, Morocco, Namibia and South Africa: draft resolution

Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 44/237 of 22 December 1989, in which it proclaimed the period 1991-2000 the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa, as adjusted subsequently by the Assembly in its resolution 47/177 of 22 December 1992 to cover the period 1993-2002,

Recalling also its resolutions 54/203 of 22 December 1999 and 56/187 of 21 December 2001 on the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa,

Recalling further the United Nations Declaration on the New Partnership for Africa's Development of 16 September 2002¹ and General Assembly resolution 57/7 of 4 November 2002 on the final review and appraisal of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development,

Recognizing that industrial growth is essential for sustained economic development through generating income and employment, thus improving standards of living and eradicating poverty, a key goal contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration,²

Bearing in mind that Africa faces serious obstacles in the diversification of its economy, in particular, in industrialization,

¹ Resolution 57/2.

² Resolution 55/2.

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa;³
2. *Recognizes* the importance of industrialization to the sustained growth and accelerated development of Africa;
3. *Expresses disappointment* that, despite the first Industrial Development Decade for Africa in the 1980s and the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1993-2002), limited progress has been made in the industrialization of Africa;
4. *Decides* to bring the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa to a close, and calls upon the international community, including the United Nations system, to channel its support for Africa's industrialization effort within the framework of the New Partnership for Africa's Development;
5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include the topic of industrialization in Africa in his consolidated annual report to the General Assembly on the implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development.

³ A/57/175.