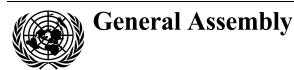
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# **Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Community in the General Assembly**

# Report of the Sixth Committee

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## I. Introduction

- 1. The item entitled "Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Community in the General Assembly" was included in the provisional agenda of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly at the request of Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation and Tajikistan.
- 2. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2003, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.
- 3. The Sixth Committee considered the item at its 2nd and 4th meetings, on 6 and 9 October 2003. The views of the representatives who spoke during the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.6/58/SR.2 and 4).
- 4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a letter dated 11 June 2003 from the representatives of Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation and Tajikistan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/58/143).

### II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.5

5. At the 2nd meeting, on 6 October, the representative of Kazakhstan, on behalf of Belarus, Cambodia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation and Tajikistan, subsequently joined by Ukraine, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Community in the General Assembly" (A/C.6/58/L.5).

- 6. At its 4th meeting, on 9 October, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/58/L.5 without a vote (see para. 8).
- 7. At the same meeting, the representative of Sierra Leone made a statement indicating that Sierra Leone would not participate in the consensus should the draft resolution be adopted (see A/C.6/58/SR.4).

### III. Recommendation of the Sixth Committee

8. The Sixth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

# Observer status for the Eurasian Economic Community in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Wishing to promote cooperation between the United Nations and the Eurasian Economic Community,

- 1. *Decides* to invite the Eurasian Economic Community to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;
- 2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to implement the present resolution.

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