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In the absence of Mr. Wali (Nigeria), Mr. Toscano (Switzerland), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 3.10 p.m.

Agenda item 52: Sustainable development (continued)

- (a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (continued) (A/C.2/60/L.10/Rev.1)
- 1. **The Chairman** drew attention to draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.10/Rev.1, entitled "International Year of Planet Earth, 2008", which did not have programme budget implications.
- 2. **Mr. Seth** (Secretary of the Committee) said that a number of revisions were to be made to the text. In the fifth preambular paragraph, the commas after "resources" and "mitigation" in the third line should be replaced by semicolons and the comma after "resources" in the fourth line should also be replaced by a semicolon. In paragraph 2, the comma after "Year" in the second line should be deleted and the words "inter alia" should be inserted between commas after the word "including" in the eighth line.
- 3. The following countries had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Antigua and Barbuda, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Eritrea, Greece, Guinea, Israel, Lebanon, Liberia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Luxembourg, Malawi, Mauritania, Mexico, Peru, Portugal, the Syrian Arab Republic and Timor-Leste.
- 4. Draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.10/Rev.1, as orally revised, was adopted.
- 5. **Mr. Kotis** (United States of America) said that the draft resolution had not been available to him until shortly before the meeting, and he implored the Secretariat to respect the requirement that documents be made available 24 hours ahead of the time when action was to be taken on them.
- 6. **Mr. Seth** (Secretary of the Committee) undertook to ensure that documents were available 24 hours in advance, and said that in any event as soon as they were available on the Optical Disk System they could be accessed from a link on the Committee's website.

Agenda item 73: Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (continued)

- (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions (continued) (A/C.2/60/L.8/Rev.2, A/C.2/60/L.9/Rev.1 and A/C.2/60/L.5/Rev.1)
- 7. **The Chairman** drew attention to draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.8/Rev.2, entitled "Assistance for humanitarian relief and the economic and social rehabilitation of Somalia".
- 8. **Mr. Seth** (Secretary of the Committee) said that the following countries had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Algeria, Bangladesh, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Iraq, Ireland, Jordan, Morocco, Senegal, Timor-Leste, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Yemen.
- 9. Draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.8/Rev.2 was adopted.
- 10. **The Chairman** drew attention to draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.9/Rev.1*, entitled "Humanitarian assistance and rehabilitation for El Salvador and Guatemala".
- 11. **Mr. Seth** (Secretary of the Committee) said that the following countries had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Albania, Armenia, Cameroon, Congo, Iceland, Ireland, Liberia, Mozambique, Netherlands, Republic of Korea, Suriname, Switzerland and Viet Nam.
- 12. Draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.9/Rev.1* was adopted.

The meeting was suspended at 3.30 p.m. and resumed at 3.40 p.m.

- 13. **The Chairman** drew attention to draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.5/Rev.1, entitled "Economic assistance for the reconstruction and development of Djibouti", on which consultations had just been concluded.
- 14. **Mr. Omar** (Djibouti) said that following the consultations consensus had been reached on the text, with one revision: the deletion in the second preambular paragraph of the words "and the 2005 World Summit Outcome".

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- 15. **Mr. Seth** (Secretary of the Committee) said that the following countries had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Angola, Bangladesh, Cape Verde, Congo, Eritrea, Greece, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Iraq, Liberia, Mauritania, South Africa, the Sudan and Uganda.
- 16. Draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.5/Rev.1, as orally revised, was adopted.
- 17. **The Chairman** informed the Committee that the three draft resolutions adopted under agenda item 73 (b) did not have programme budget implications.

The meeting rose at 3.45 p.m.

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