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Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits: review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

South Africa:* draft resolution

Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling the Brussels Declaration¹ and the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010,²

Recalling also its decision 2001/320 of 24 October 2001, in which it decided to establish, under the regular agenda item entitled “Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the major United Nations conferences and summits”, a regular sub-item entitled “Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010”,

Recalling further its resolution 2005/44 of 27 July 2005,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 60/228 of 23 December 2005 and Assembly decision 60/556 of 16 May 2006,

1. *Takes note* of the annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010;³

2. *Reiterates its deep concern* over the insufficient progress achieved in the implementation of the Programme of Action;²

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

¹ A/CONF.191/13, chap. I.

² Ibid., chap. II.

³ A/61/82-E/2006/74 and Corr.1.



3. *Stresses* the need to address the areas of weaknesses in the implementation of the Programme of Action and urges the least developed countries and their bilateral and multilateral development partners to undertake increased efforts and to adopt speedy measures with a view to meeting the goals and targets of the Programme of Action in a timely manner;

4. *Also stresses* the need to assess the implementation of the Programme of Action sector by sector and in this regard invites all relevant organizations, consistent with their respective mandates, to report on the progress made in its implementation using quantifiable criteria and indicators to be measured against the goals and targets of the Programme of Action;

5. *Urges* the high-level meeting on the midterm comprehensive global review of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010, to be held in New York on 18 and 19 September 2006, to take results-based measures so as to speed up progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit an annual progress report on the implementation of the Programme of Action in an analytical and results-oriented way, by placing emphasis on the progress achieved in its implementation by the least developed countries and their development partners.
