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Draft resolution submitted by the Rapporteur of the Committee, Mr. Raymond Landveld (Suriname), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/66/L.27

International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

The General Assembly,

Recalling its decision 57/547 of 20 December 2002 and its resolutions 44/236 of 22 December 1989, 49/22 A of 2 December 1994, 49/22 B of 20 December 1994, 53/185 of 15 December 1998, 54/219 of 22 December 1999, 56/195 of 21 December 2001, 57/256 of 20 December 2002, 58/214 and 58/215 of 23 December 2003, 59/231 and 59/233 of 22 December 2004, 60/195 and 60/196 of 22 December 2005, 61/198 and 61/200 of 20 December 2006, 62/192 of 19 December 2007, 63/216 and 63/217 of 19 December 2008, 64/200 of 21 December 2009 and 65/157 of 20 December 2010 as well as Economic and Social Council resolutions 1999/63 of 30 July 1999 and 2001/35 of 26 July 2001, and taking into consideration its resolution 57/270 B of 23 June 2003 on the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields,

Acknowledging the importance of the upcoming United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development,

1.   *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of resolutions 64/200 and 65/157;[1]

2.   *Notes* the ongoing preparatory process of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012;

3.   *Stresses* the importance of the continued substantive consideration of the issue of disaster risk reduction and encourages Member States and the relevant

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[1] A/66/301.

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United Nations bodies to take into consideration the important role of disaster risk reduction activities for, inter alia, the achievement of sustainable development;

4. *Recognizes* that the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction was confirmed at its third session, held in Geneva from 8 to 13 May 2011, as being the main forum at the global level for strategic advice coordination and partnership development;

5. *Takes note with appreciation* of the results of the midterm review of the Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015: Building the Resilience of Nations and Communities to Disaster,[2] and calls upon Member States, United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies, within their mandates, to accelerate the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action and requests the Strategy secretariat to facilitate the development of a post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction;

6. *Also takes note with appreciation* of the efforts made by the Secretary-General to strengthen the Strategy secretariat, including through the extension to 2015 of the post of Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with Member States, to look, in an inclusive, open and transparent manner, into other measures to ensure that the Strategy secretariat can discharge its cross-cutting mandate with efficiency and effectiveness;

8. *Welcomes* the offer made by the Government of Japan to host the Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in 2015;

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-seventh session, under the item entitled "Sustainable development", the sub-item entitled "International Strategy for Disaster Reduction";

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session a report on the implementation of the present resolution and to include therein an update on what progress has been made and what the opportunities are for making further progress in mainstreaming disaster risk reduction more effectively across the whole United Nations system.

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[2] A/CONF.206/6 and Corr.1, chap. I, resolution 2.