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## Resolution adopted by the Economic and Social Council on 24 July 2013

[on a proposal considered in plenary meeting (E/2013/L.36)]

### 2013/22. Human settlements

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its relevant resolutions and decisions on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda<sup>1</sup> and relevant General Assembly resolutions, including resolutions 66/288 of 27 July 2012, entitled “The future we want”, and 67/216 of 21 December 2012, entitled “Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)”,

*Acknowledging* the work of UN-Habitat towards attaining the goal of sustainable urban development and the implementation of the Habitat Agenda, as well as other goals and targets relevant to human settlements,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda;<sup>2</sup>

2. *Also takes note* of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) on its twenty-fourth session<sup>3</sup> and the resolutions contained therein, including, among others, resolution 24/15 of 19 April 2013, in which the Governing Council approved the strategic plan for the period 2014–2019, resolution 24/1 of 19 April 2013, in which the Governing Council recommended that 31 October of every year should be designated as World Cities Day, and resolution 24/10 of 19 April 2013 on urbanization and sustainable urban development in the post-2015 development agenda;

3. *Encourages* Governments to initiate their preparations for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III), such as national reports assessing the implementation of the Habitat Agenda<sup>1</sup> and other relevant internationally agreed goals and targets and identifying future policy

<sup>1</sup> *Report of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), Istanbul, 3–14 June 1996 (A/CONF.165/14), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.*

<sup>2</sup> E/2013/68.

<sup>3</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/68/8).*



directions for inclusion in a “New Urban Agenda”, and encourages the international community and Member States in a position to do so to provide financial support for Habitat III, including for the preparatory process;

4. *Emphasizes* the importance of ensuring consistency and coherence in the deliberations of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council on agenda items related to the work of UN-Habitat;

5. *Decides* to transmit to the General Assembly for consideration at its sixty-eighth session the report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Council for consideration at its substantive session of 2014 a report on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda.

*46th plenary meeting  
24 July 2013*