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

**Agenda item 16: Information and communications technologies for development** (*continued*)  
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*Draft resolution on an International Day for the Promotion and Protection of Telework* (A/C.2/68/L.18)

1. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.18 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 17: Macroeconomic policy questions** (*continued*)

**(a) International trade and development** (*continued*)  
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*Draft resolution on international trade and development* (A/C.2/68/L.8)

*Draft resolution on unilateral economic measures as a means of political and economic coercion against developing countries* (A/C.2/68/L.12)

2. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolutions A/C.2/68/L.8 and L.12 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(b) International financial system and development** (*continued*) (A/C.2/68/L.4)

*Draft resolution on the international financial system and development* (A/C.2/68/L.4)

3. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.4 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(c) External debt sustainability and development** (*continued*) (A/C.2/68/L.15)

*Draft resolution on external debt sustainability and development* (A/C.2/68/L.15)

4. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.15 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(d) Commodities** (*continued*) (A/C.2/68/L.16)

*Draft resolution on commodities* (A/C.2/68/L.16)

5. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.16 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 18: Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2008 Review Conference** (*continued*) (A/C.2/68/L.25)

*Draft resolution on the follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2008 Review Conference* (A/C.2/68/L.25)

6. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.25 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 19: Sustainable development** (*continued*)  
(A/C.2/68/L.23 and L.26)

*Draft resolution on World Wildlife Day* (A/C.2/68/L.23)

*Draft resolution on oil slick on Lebanese shores* (A/C.2/68/L.26)

7. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolutions A/C.2/68/L.23 and L.26 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind** (*continued*)  
(A/C.2/68/L.19)

*Draft resolution on protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind* (A/C.2/68/L.19)

8. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.19 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa** (*continued*)  
(A/C.2/68/L.22)

*Draft resolution on implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa* (A/C.2/68/L.22)

9. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.22 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 20: 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) (continued) (A/C.2/68/L.14)**

*Draft resolution on 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) (A/C.2/68/L.14)*

10. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution [A/C.2/68/L.14](#) on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 21: Globalization and interdependence (continued)**

**(a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence (continued) (A/C.2/68/L.17)**

*Draft resolution on the role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence (A/C.2/68/L.17)*

11. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution [A/C.2/68/L.17](#) on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(b) Science and technology for development (continued) (A/C.2/68/L.11 and L.13)**

*Draft resolution on science and technology for development (A/C.2/68/L.11)*

12. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution [A/C.2/68/L.11](#) on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

*Draft resolution on an International Year of Light and Light-based Technologies, 2015 (A/C.2/68/L.13)*

13. **Ms. Morgan** (Mexico), introducing draft resolution [A/C.2/68/L.13](#) on behalf of the original sponsors and also Cuba, China and Ukraine, said that the initiative had come from the scientific community. One of the aims was to improve access to the benefits of optical and light-based technologies, as that would have immediate relevance to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in such areas as health and food security, as well as many others.

**Agenda item 22: Groups of countries in special situations (continued)**

**(b) Comprehensive 10-year Review Conference on the Implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action (continued) (A/C.2/68/L.10)**

*Draft resolution on specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation (A/C.2/68/L.10)*

14. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution [A/C.2/68/L.10](#) on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 23: Eradication of poverty and other development issues (continued)**

**(a) Implementation of the Second United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2008-2017) (continued) (A/C.2/68/L.3)**

*Draft resolution on the Second United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2008-2017) (A/C.2/68/L.3)*

15. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution [A/C.2/68/L.3](#) on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(b) Women in development (continued) (A/C.2/68/L.7)**

*Draft resolution on women in development (A/C.2/68/L.7)*

16. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution [A/C.2/68/L.7](#) on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(c) Human resources development (continued) (A/C.2/68/L.6)**

*Draft resolution on human resources development (A/C.2/68/L.6)*

17. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution [A/C.2/68/L.6](#) on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 24: Operational activities for development** (*continued*)

**(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system** (*continued*) (A/C.2/68/L.2)

*Draft resolution on the operational activities for development of the United Nations system* (A/C.2/68/L.2)

18. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.2 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**(b) South-South cooperation** (*continued*) (A/C.2/68/L.5)

*Draft resolution on South-South cooperation* (A/C.2/68/L.5)

19. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.5 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 25: Agriculture development, food security and nutrition** (*continued*) (A/C.2/68/L.20 and L.21)

*Draft resolution on an International Year of Pulses, 2016* (A/C.2/68/L.20)

20. **Mr. Eler** (Turkey), introducing draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.20, on behalf of his own delegation and that of Pakistan, said that its main objective was to raise awareness of the contribution of pulses to food security and overall nutrition. Globally, 22 per cent of protein and 7 per cent of carbohydrates were obtained from pulses. Pulses were environmentally friendly, for they enriched and aerated the soil; moreover, once harvested, they were easily stored.

21. **The Chair** announced that the delegations of the Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, Niger, Sri Lanka and Ukraine had decided to sponsor the draft resolution.

*Draft resolution on World Soil Day and International Year of Soils* (A/C.2/68/L.21)

22. **Mr. Daunivalu** (Fiji) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.21 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 26: Towards global partnerships** (*continued*) (A/C.2/68/L.24)

*Draft resolution on moving towards global partnerships: a principle-based approach to enhanced cooperation between the United Nations and all relevant partners, in particular the private sector* (A/C.2/68/L.24)

23. **Ms. Ramoškaitė** (Lithuania), introducing draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.24 on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document and also Bosnia and Herzegovina, Monaco, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Ukraine, said that it emphasized the importance of multi-stakeholder partnerships, particularly those involving the private sector. In that connection she drew attention to paragraphs 19 and 20.

**Agenda item 61: Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources** (A/C.2/68/L.27)

*Draft resolution on the permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources* (A/C.2/68/L.27)

24. **Mr. Elkaraksy** (Egypt), introducing draft resolution A/C.2/68/L.27, said that the delegations of Brazil, Bolivia, India, Niger, Saudi Arabia, South Africa and Viet Nam had joined the original sponsors listed in the document. The draft resolution reflected the conclusions of the report of the Secretary-General A/68/77, which confirmed that the ongoing Israeli occupation of the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, continued to deepen the economic and social hardships of the Palestinian people. It also requested the Secretary-General to report on its implementation during the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly.

*The meeting rose at 4.15 p.m.*