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## **Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 13 December 2016**

[on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/71/530)]

## 71/156. Observer status for the International Chamber of Commerce in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its decision 49/426 of 9 December 1994,

*Considering* the unique importance of the International Chamber of Commerce, created in 1919, due to its historical specificities and its special role and authority as a representative of the business community in more than 120 countries,

*Stressing* the need, frequently noted by the United Nations, to give greater opportunities to the business community to contribute to the realization of the goals and programmes of the Organization,

*Emphasizing* that the present resolution does not change the criteria established in decision 49/426,

*Wishing* to promote cooperation between the United Nations and the International Chamber of Commerce,

1. *Decides* to invite the International Chamber of Commerce to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the action necessary to implement the present resolution.

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