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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee (A. Ahsan) on the basis of informal consultations on the draft resolution contained in A/C.2/34/L.131

Implementation of section I of the annex to General Assembly resolution 32/197 on the restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 3201 (S-VI) and 3202 (S-VI) of 1 May 1974, containing the Declaration and Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order, and 3281 (XXIX) of 12 December 1974, containing the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

Recalling further its resolution 3362 (S-VII) by which it, inter alia, established the Ad Hoc Committee on the Restructuring of the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations System for the purpose of preparing detailed action proposals with a view to initiating the process of restructuring the United Nations system so as to make it more fully capable of dealing with problems of international economic co-operation and development in a comprehensive and effective manner, and to make it more responsive to the requirements of the provisions of the Declaration and the Programme of Action on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order as well as those of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,

Recalling also its resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977, by which it, inter alia, endorsed the conclusions and recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee,

Recalling also its resolution 33/202 of 29 January 1979, in which it, inter alia, requested certain actions and measures within the framework of implementation of the conclusions and recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee,

Reaffirming that the process of restructuring the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system is an integral part of the efforts required to ensure the equitable, full and effective participation of the developing countries in the formulation and application of all decisions within the United Nations system in the field of development and international economic co-operation,

Recalling also and in particular paragraphs 3 and 4 of section I of the annex to its resolution 32/197,

Bearing in mind Economic and Social Council resolutions 1979/1 of 9 February 1979, 1979/41 of 10 May 1979 and 1979/69 of 2 August 1979 on control and limitation of documentation and General Assembly resolution 34/ on the same subject,

1. Decides to maintain on the agenda of its Committees during its regular sessions the item entitled "Report on the Economic and Social Council" but in the light of the decision contained in paragraph 5 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/41, to consider the relevant chapters of the report of the Council under its relevant agenda items;
2. Recommends to the Secretary-General that the items of its agenda which are normally allocated for consideration to the Second Committee be in future drawn up within the indicative framework outlined in the annex to the present resolution;
3. Recommends also that the Second Committee should organize its programme of work and the substantive debates on the agenda items allocated to it taking into account the regrouping and reorganization of items as outlined in the above-mentioned annex;
4. Decides that all introductory statements to be made in the Second Committee on behalf of the organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system should normally be made during the first two weeks of the substantive work of the Second Committee, in order to facilitate maximum utilization of the remaining time in the manner most convenient for Member States;
5. Decides that the Second Committee, in setting deadlines for submission of proposals, should allow for the possibility of addressing discussions on various items to proposals submitted under those items, as foreseen in paragraph 3 (c) of the Annex to General Assembly resolution 32/197;
6. Decides further to review at its thirty-fifth session and with a view to minimizing delays in the submission of documentation in all the working languages, the requirements in respect of document symbols, covers and related procedures in respect of reports for different intergovernmental bodies of the United Nations, and requests the Secretary-General to submit recommendations in that regard;

7. Decides also to consider at its thirty-fifth session the possibility or desirability of examining some of the items on its agenda allocated to the Second Committee on a biennial basis including the possibility of assigning some items to the Economic and Social Council for discussion and final decision;

8. Decides further to review at its thirty-fifth session and in the light of experience, the arrangements outlined in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 above.

ANNEX

Indicative reorganization of agenda items to be allocated
to the Second Committee 1/

1. Development and International Economic Co-operation

- (a) International development strategy
- (b) Round of global negotiations related to international economic co-operation for development
- (c) Trade and development
- (d) Industrialization
- (e) Science and technology for development
- (f) Natural resources
- (g) Food and agriculture
- (h) Transfer of real resources to developing countries
- (i) Financial, monetary and related matters
- (j) Economic and technical co-operation among developing countries
- (k) Restructuring of the economic and social sectors of the United Nations system
- (l) Environment
- (m) Human settlements
- (n) Integration of women in development

2. Report of the Economic and Social Council

3. United Nations operational activities for development

- (a) United Nations Development Programme
- (b) United Nations Capital Development Fund
- (c) United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources

1/ The items listed in this Annex are based on the agenda of the thirty-fourth session and do not exclude future changes within the broad framework outlined.

United Nations operational activities for development (continued)

- (d) United Nations Fund for Population Activities
- (e) United Nations Volunteers
- (f) United Nations Special Fund for Land-locked Developing Countries
- (g) United Nations Special Fund for developing countries most seriously affected by the economic crisis
- (h) United Nations Children's Fund
- (i) World Food Programme
- (j) Technical co-operation activities undertaken by the Secretary-General

4. Training and research

- (a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research
- (b) United Nations University
- (c) United Nations University for Peace
- (d) Unified approach to development analysis and planning
- (e) Examination of long-term trends in economic development

5. Special economic and disaster relief assistance

6. Other matters brought to the attention of the Assembly
