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## Chapter I

### **Matters calling for action by or brought to the attention of the General Assembly**

In 2005, the Economic and Social Council adopted resolutions and decisions that call for action by or that are to be brought to the attention of the General Assembly. The relevant paragraphs of those resolutions and decisions are summarized below.

#### **Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (item 1)**

##### **Enlargement of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

By **decision 2005/243**, the Council recommended that the General Assembly, at its sixtieth session, decide on the question of enlarging the membership of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees from 68 to 69 States.

#### **Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance (item 5)**

##### **Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations**

By **resolution 2005/4**, the Council requested the Secretary-General, in consultation with States and relevant organizations, to further develop and improve, as required, mechanisms for the use of emergency standby capacities, including, where appropriate, regional humanitarian capacity, under the auspices of the United Nations, inter alia through formal agreements with appropriate regional organizations, and to report on that issue to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session through the Economic and Social Council.

By the same resolution, the Council recommended to the General Assembly that it improve the Central Emergency Revolving Fund, inter alia through the possible inclusion of a grant facility component based on voluntary contributions, and requested the Secretary-General to submit a report on that issue for consideration by the Assembly at its sixtieth session. The Council also requested the Secretary-General to reflect the progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the resolution in his next report to the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations.

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## **Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan (item 11)**

### **Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan**

By **resolution 2005/51**, the Council requested the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session, through the Council, a report on the implementation of the resolution and to continue to include in the report of the United Nations Special Coordinator an update on the living conditions of the Palestinian people, in collaboration with relevant United Nations agencies.

## **Economic and environmental questions (item 13)**

### **Sustainable development (item 13 (a))**

#### **Support for the travel of representatives of developing countries and countries with economies in transition to future sessions of the Commission on Sustainable Development**

By **resolution 2005/6**, the Council invited donor Governments, institutions and other organizations to provide contributions to the Trust Fund to Support the Work of the Commission on Sustainable Development and recommended that the General Assembly decide that support to participants from developing countries, with priority given to the least developed countries, as well as from countries with economies in transition, may be provided from the Trust Fund for travel from funds designated for that purpose.

### **Human settlements (item 13 (d))**

By **decision 2005/298**, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda (E/2005/60) and decided to transmit the report to the General Assembly for consideration at its sixtieth session.

## **Social and human rights questions (item 14)**

### **Advancement of women (item 14 (a))**

#### **Declaration of the Commission on the Status of Women on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women**

By its **decision 2005/232**, the Council decided to transmit to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session, including the High-level Plenary Meeting of the Assembly on the review of the Millennium Declaration, the “Declaration of the Commission on the Status of Women on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women”, adopted by the Commission on the Status of Women at its forty-ninth session.

**Social development (item 14 (b))****Declaration on the tenth anniversary of the World Summit for Social Development**

By **decision 2005/234**, the Council, pursuant to a request by the Commission for Social Development, and in accordance with Council resolution 2004/58 of 23 July 2004, decided to transmit to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session, including the High-level Plenary Meeting of the Assembly on the review of the Millennium Declaration, the “Declaration on the tenth anniversary of the World Summit for Social Development”, which was the outcome of the high-level plenary segment of the forty-third session of the Commission on the implementation of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action and the outcome of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, adopted by the Commission for Social Development at its forty-third session.

**Crime prevention and criminal justice (item 14 (c))****Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice**

By **resolution 2005/15**, the Council endorsed the Bangkok Declaration adopted by the Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, as approved by the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, and requested the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, at its sixty-first session, a report on the implementation of the resolution.

**International cooperation in the fight against transnational organized crime**

By **resolution 2005/17**, the Council took note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto (E/CN.15/2005/6) and requested the Secretary-General to transmit to the General Assembly the reports of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and to report on the implementation of the resolution in his report on the work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to be submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session.

**Strengthening international cooperation and technical assistance in promoting the implementation of the universal convention and protocols related to terrorism within the framework of the activities of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime**

By **resolution 2005/19**, the Council requested the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session on the implementation of the resolution.

**Narcotic drugs (item 14 (d))****Providing support to Afghanistan with a view to ensuring effective implementation of its Counter-Narcotic Implementation Plan**

By **resolution 2005/24**, the Council recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of the draft resolution contained therein.

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## **Human rights (item 14 (g))**

### **Basic Principles and Guidelines on the Right to a Remedy and Reparation for Victims of Gross Violations of International Human Rights Law and Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law**

By **resolution 2005/30**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/35 of 19 April 2005, in which the Commission adopted the text of the Basic Principles and Guidelines on the Right to a Remedy and Reparation for Victims of Gross Violations of International Human Rights Law and Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law, and recommended to the General Assembly that it adopt the Basic Principles and Guidelines.

### **The use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination**

By **decision 2005/255**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/2 of 7 April 2005, endorsed the Commission's decision to establish a working group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination and also endorsed the request of the Commission to the Working Group to report annually to the Commission and the General Assembly.

### **Situation of human rights in Myanmar**

By **decision 2005/257**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/10 of 14 April 2005 and endorsed the Commission's decision to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar, as contained in Commission resolution 1992/58 of 3 March 1992, for a further year and to request the Special Rapporteur to submit an interim report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session, to report to the Commission at its sixty-second session and to integrate a gender perspective throughout his work.

### **Situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea**

By **decision 2005/258**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/11 of 14 April 2005 and endorsed the Commission's decision to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, as contained in Commission resolution 2004/13 of 15 April 2004, for a further year.

The Council also approved the request of the Commission to the Special Rapporteur to report his findings and recommendations to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to the Commission on Human Rights at its sixty-second session and the request to the Secretary-General to give the Special Rapporteur all necessary assistance in the discharge of his mandate.

### **Effects of economic reform policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of all human rights**

By **decision 2005/260**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/19 of 14 April 2005 and endorsed the Commission's decision to request the independent expert to report to the General Assembly on the issue of the

effects of economic reform policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights.

**Independence and impartiality of the judiciary, jurors and assessors and the independence of lawyers**

By **decision 2005/263**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/33 of 19 April 2005 and endorsed the Commission's decision to request the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers to submit a report on the activities relating to his mandate to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to the Commission at its sixty-second session.

**Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment**

By **decision 2005/265**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/39 of 19 April 2005 and approved the request of the Commission to the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment to submit an interim report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session on the overall trends and developments with regard to his mandate and a full report to the Commission at its sixty-second session, including all replies sent by Governments that are received in any of the official languages of the United Nations.

**Elimination of violence against women**

By **decision 2005/266**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/41 of 19 April 2005 and requested the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences to present an oral report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session.

**Human rights and indigenous issues**

By **decision 2005/270**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/51 of 20 April 2005 and requested the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people to submit a report on his activities to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to the Commission at its sixty-second session.

**World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action**

By **decision 2005/272**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/64 of 20 April 2005 and endorsed the decision of the Commission to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance for a period of three years.

The Council also endorsed the Commission's request to the Secretary-General to provide the Special Rapporteur with all the necessary human and financial assistance to carry out his mandate efficiently, effectively and expeditiously and to enable him to submit an interim report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to the Commission at its sixty-second session.

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### **Composition of the staff of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights**

By **decision 2005/274**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/72 of 20 April 2005 and drew the attention of the General Assembly to that resolution in the context of the consideration of the agenda item on human resources management.

The Council further endorsed the Commission's:

(a) Invitation to the General Assembly and its appropriate subsidiary bodies, inter alia the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Fifth Committee of the Assembly, to give due consideration to Commission resolution 2005/72 and to the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Management review of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights" (JIU/REP/2003/6), transmitted to the Assembly in a note by the Secretary-General (A/59/65-E/2004/48 and Add.1), in particular to any other organization, management, executive direction, structure, administrative, financial and more technical human resources management issues and recommendations contained therein and not addressed in the resolution;

(b) Request to the Joint Inspection Unit to assist the Commission on Human Rights to monitor systematically the implementation of Commission resolution 2005/72 and to submit a follow-up comprehensive review of the implementation of the decisions of the Commission and other United Nations intergovernmental bodies regarding the management, programmes and administration of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, in particular with regard to their impact on the recruitment policies and the composition of the staff, to the Commission at its sixty-third session and to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session, containing any concrete proposals for corrective action, if required, for the implementation of the relevant intergovernmental bodies' resolutions, including Commission resolution 2005/72.

### **Advisory services and technical assistance for Burundi**

By **decision 2005/275**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/75 of 20 April 2005 and endorsed the decision of the Commission to request the independent expert to continue to study the situation of human rights in Burundi and to request him to submit an interim report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and report thereon to the Commission at its sixty-second session.

### **Assistance to Sierra Leone in the field of human rights**

By **decision 2005/276**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/76 of 20 April 2005 and endorsed the decision of the Commission to request the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to the Commission at its sixty-second session on assistance to Sierra Leone in the field of human rights, with specific reference to the Human Rights Section of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone.

**Technical cooperation and advisory services in Nepal**

By **decision 2005/277**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/78 of 20 April 2005 and endorsed the decision of the Commission to request the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to submit a report on the human rights situation and the activities of her Office, including technical cooperation, in Nepal to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to the Commission at its sixty-second session.

**Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism**

By **decision 2005/279**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/80 of 21 April 2005 and approved the decision of the Commission to appoint a special rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights while countering terrorism for a period of three years with the mandate contained in that resolution.

The Council also approved the request of the Commission to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to report regularly on the implementation of resolution 2005/80 to the Commission and to the General Assembly.

**Situation of human rights in the Sudan**

By **decision 2005/280**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/82 of 21 April 2005 and approved the Commission's decision to establish the mandate of a special rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan for one year to monitor the situation of human rights in the Sudan, and to request the Special Rapporteur to submit an interim report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to report to the Commission at its sixty-second session.

**Technical cooperation and advisory services in the Democratic Republic of the Congo**

By **decision 2005/282**, the Council took note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2005/85 of 21 April 2005 and approved the decision of the Commission:

- (a) To extend the mandate of the independent expert to provide assistance to the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the field of human rights for one year and to request the Secretary-General to provide all necessary assistance to enable the independent expert to fulfil his mandate;
- (b) To request the independent expert to submit a progress report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to report to the Commission at its sixty-second session;
- (c) To renew its request to the Secretary-General that he should provide advisory services to the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the field of human rights.

**Technical cooperation in the field of human rights in Afghanistan**

By **decision 2005/293**, the Council took note of the statement of the Chairperson of the Commission on Human Rights at the 60th meeting of the Commission, on 21 April 2005, on technical cooperation in the field of human rights in Afghanistan, which was adopted by consensus, and endorsed the Commission's request to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights that she report to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session and to the Commission at its sixty-second session on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan and on the results of technical assistance in the field of human rights, particularly as regards the development of national capacities in the field.

## Chapter II

### **Special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development**

1. In accordance with paragraph 88 of annex I to General Assembly resolution 50/227 and paragraph 32 of the Secretary-General's report to the General Assembly in preparation for the 2005 review of the Millennium Declaration, entitled "In larger freedom: towards development, security and human rights for all" (A/59/2005), and as stipulated in paragraph 69 (b) of the Monterrey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing for Development,<sup>1</sup> the Council held a special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) at its 5th and 6th plenary meetings, on 18 April 2005. An account of the proceedings is contained in the relevant summary records (E/2005/SR.5 and 6). The Council had before it a note by the Secretary-General on coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus: achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration (E/2005/50).

2. At the 5th meeting, on 18 April 2005, the President of the Council made an introductory statement.

3. At the same meeting, the Secretary-General addressed the meeting.

4. Also at the same meeting, the President of the Council introduced the following panellists, from intergovernmental organizations, who made presentations: Trevor Manuel, Chairman of the Development Committee; Mary Whelan, President of the UNCTAD Trade and Development Board.

5. At the same meeting, Agustin Carstens, Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), made a statement.

6. After the presentations, the Council adjourned its plenary meeting and moved on to round tables A, B, C, D, E and F.

#### **Round tables**

7. Round table A was chaired by Carin Jamtin, Minister for International Development Cooperation of Sweden, and Elias Saba, Minister of Finance of Lebanon. The round table addressed the theme of "Policies and strategies".

8. Round table B was chaired by Willy Kiekens, Senior Executive Director, and Seraphine Wakana, Minister for Planning, Development and Reconstruction of Burundi. The round table addressed the theme of "Policies and strategies".

9. Round table C was chaired by Fernando Canales Clariond, Minister of the Economy, Mexico and Mary Whelan, President of the UNCTAD Trade and Development Board. The round table addressed the theme of "Trade, investment and private flows".

10. Round table D was chaired by Abdoulaye Diop, Minister of Finance of Senegal, Abdul Hafeez Sheikh, Minister of Privatization and Investment of Pakistan and Eckhard Karl Deutscher, Executive Director, World Bank (Germany). The round table addressed the theme of "Trade, investment and private flows".

11. Round table E was chaired by Manuel Chang, Minister of Finance, Mozambique and Tom Scholar, Executive Director, IMF and the World Bank (United Kingdom). The round table addressed the theme of “ODA, innovative sources of financing and debt”.

12. Round table F was chaired by Anastas Angjeli, Minister of the Economy, Albania and Yahya Al-Yahya, Dean of the Board, World Bank. The round table addressed the theme of “ODA, innovative sources of financing and debt”.

13. At its 6th meeting, on 18 April 2005, the Council resumed the special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, WTO and UNCTAD and heard oral reports from the Minister for International Development Cooperation of Sweden (round table A), the Minister for Planning, Development and Reconstruction of Burundi (round table B), the Minister of the Economy of Mexico (round table C), the Executive Director of the World Bank (Germany) (round table D), the Executive Director, IMF and the World Bank (United Kingdom) (round table E) and the Dean of the Board of the World Bank (round table F) on the outcome of the six round tables.

#### **Statements by representatives of civil society and the business sector**

14. Also at the 6th meeting, the Council heard statements by a representative of civil society (New Rules for Global Finance Coalition) and a representative of the business sector (International Chamber of Commerce).

#### **Exchange of views among participants**

15. At the same meeting, there was an exchange of views among participants. The representatives of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey), the United States of America, France, Benin, Brazil, Nigeria, Tunisia and Mozambique and the observer for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made statements.

16. Also at the same meeting, the representative of the Economic Commission for Europe made a statement on behalf of the regional commissions.

17. The proceedings of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, WTO and UNCTAD were summarized by the President of the Council (see A/59/823-E/2005/69).

#### **Closing of the meeting**

18. At the 6th meeting, the President of the Council made a statement and declared the special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, WTO and UNCTAD closed.

#### *Notes*

<sup>1</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18-22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

## Chapter III

### High-level segment

#### **Achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, as well as implementing the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits: progress made, challenges and opportunities**

##### **Opening of the session**

1. The high-level segment of the substantive session of 2005 of the Council was held at its 10th to 14th and 40th meetings, from 29 June to 1 July and on 27 July 2005 (for the proceedings see E/2005/SR.10-14 and 40). In accordance with Council decision 2004/294 of 23 July 2004, the theme for the high-level segment was “Achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, as well as implementing the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits: progress made, challenges and opportunities” (agenda item 2). The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Towards achieving internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: report of the Secretary-General (E/2005/56);

(b) World economic situation and prospects as of mid-2005 (E/2005/51);

(c) Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its fifth session (E/2005/33, Suppl. 13);

(d) Towards achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: summary of the preparatory meeting of the high-level segment (E/2005/CRP.4) (English only);

(e) Summary of the round-tables dialogue on progress, challenges and opportunities for achieving the internationally agreed development goals, held on 29 June 2005 (E/2005/CRP.6 and Add.1) (English only);

(f) Statements submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/NGO/1-29).

2. At the 10th meeting, on 29 June, the President of the Council opened the session and made a statement.

3. At the same meeting, the Secretary-General of the United Nations addressed the Council.

##### **Voices against poverty**

4. At its 10th meeting, on 29 June, the Council heard statements by Joseph Stiglitz, Nobel Laureate in Economics, 2001, Juan Somavía, Director-General of the International Labour Organization (ILO) and António Guterres, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on voices against poverty.

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## **High-level policy dialogue and discussion on important developments in the world economy and international economic cooperation with the heads of financial and trade institutions of the United Nations system**

5. At its 10th meeting, on 29 June, the Council held a high-level policy dialogue and discussion on important developments in the world economy and international economic cooperation with the heads of financial and trade institutions of the United Nations system.

6. At the same meeting, the Council heard opening remarks by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs as well as statements by the panellists, Supachai Panitchpakdi, Director-General of WTO; Jean-Louis Sarbib, Senior Vice-President of the Human Development Network of the World Bank Group; Carlos Fortin, Officer-in-Charge of UNCTAD; and Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of IMF to the United Nations.

7. Also at the same meeting, during the exchange of views, statements were made by the representatives of Kenya, Jamaica, the United Republic of Tanzania, the Russian Federation and South Africa, and the observer for Guatemala.

8. Also at the 10th meeting, the representatives of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Research and Training Institute (UNITAR) made statements.

## **Achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, as well as implementing the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits: progress made, challenges and opportunities**

### **High-level round tables**

#### **Round table 1 Eradication of poverty and hunger**

9. The round table was chaired by Gérard Latortue, Prime Minister of Haiti, and moderated by Jacques Diouf, Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

10. Statements were made by the lead discussants of the round table, Armand DeDecker, Minister for Development Cooperation of Belgium, and Charlotte McClain-Nhalpo, South African Human Rights Commission/World Bank.

11. Interventions were made by the representatives of Italy, Jamaica, Turkey and the United Republic of Tanzania, the observers for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mauritania and Guatemala, as well as the representative of ILO and a representative of civil society. The chairman of the round table made concluding remarks.

**Round table 2****Health**

12. The chairperson of the round table, Carin Jämtin, Minister for International Development Cooperation of Sweden, opened the discussion and made introductory remarks.

13. Statements were made by the discussants of the round table, Eugène Camara, Minister of Planning of Guinea; Thoraya Obaid, Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA); Joy Phumaphi, Assistant Director-General for Family and Community Health, WHO; and Victor Maria Ortega, Deputy Director, New York Office, Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS).

14. Interventions were made by the representatives of Australia and Ireland, the observer for Iraq and the representative of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

15. The representatives of the following civil and private sector entities also participated in the dialogue: School of Public Health of Columbia University, Viterion TeleHealthcare and Mulchand and Parpati Thadhani Foundation.

16. The discussants responded to questions raised and Stephen Stedman, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General, summarized the discussion. The chairperson made concluding remarks.

**Round table 3****Global partnerships and financing of the Millennium Development Goals**

17. The round table was chaired by Ishrat Hussain, Governor of the State Bank of Pakistan.

18. The lead discussant, Carlos Fortin, Officer-in-Charge of UNCTAD, and the discussants, Stephano Manservigi, Director-General for Trade of the European Commission; José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); and Charles Raymond, President of the Citigroup Foundation, made statements.

19. Statements were then made by the respondents, Eveline Herfkens, Executive Coordinator of the Millennium Development Goals Campaign; Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of IMF to the United Nations; and Melinda Kimble, Senior Vice President for Programmes of the United Nations Foundation.

20. Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia, South Africa and the United Republic of Tanzania, the observer for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and the representative of the Common Fund for Commodities. The chairman of the round table made concluding remarks.

**Round table 4****Building state capacity to meet the Millennium Development Goals: human rights, governance, institutions and human resources**

21. The round table was chaired by Tarja Halonen, President of the Republic of Finland, and moderated by José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

22. Statements were made by the lead discussant, Anyang' Nyong'o, Minister of Planning and National Development of Kenya, and by the discussants, Mehr Khan Williams, Deputy United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and Rehman Sobhan, Chairman of the Centre for Policy Dialogue of Bangladesh.

23. Interventions were made by the representatives of Austria, Bangladesh, Azerbaijan, Malaysia and China, and by the representatives of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and UNESCO.

24. The Director of the Division for Public Administration and Development Management of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs made an intervention.

25. The representative of the International Centre for the Legal Protection of Human Rights (Interights), a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council, participated in the dialogue.

26. The lead discussant summarized the discussion and the discussants made concluding remarks. The chairperson of the round table also made concluding remarks.

#### **Round table 5**

##### **Education and literacy**

27. The round table was chaired by Datuk Mustapa Mohamed, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department, Malaysia, who opened the discussion and made introductory remarks.

28. The lead discussant, Peter Smith, Assistant Director-General for Education, UNESCO, made an opening statement and the discussants, Geeta Rao Gupta, President of the International Center for Research on Women, Washington, D.C., and Magdi Mehanni Amin, Consultant in education and development, Egypt, also made statements.

29. Interventions were made by the representative of Tunisia and the observers for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mauritania, Iraq and Ecuador, as well as the representative of Rotary International, a non-governmental organization and a representative of civil society, from New York University. The discussants responded to questions posed and made further comments.

30. The lead discussant summarized the discussion. The chairman of the round table made concluding remarks.

#### **Round table 6**

##### **Gender equality and the empowerment of women**

31. The round table was chaired by Nilofar Bakhtiar, Adviser to the Prime Minister and Minister in charge of Women Development of Pakistan, and moderated by Noeleen Heyzer, Executive Director, United Nations Development Fund for Women.

32. Statements were made by the following discussants at the round table: Marcela del Mar Suazo Laitano, Minister in charge of the National Institute of Women, Honduras; Debbie Budlender, Community Agency for Social Enquiry (South

Africa); and Rachel Mayanja, Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women.

33. Interventions were made by the representative of Italy and the observer for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, and by the representatives of the European Commission and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

34. Interventions were made by the representatives of the World Food Programme (WFP) and ILO as well as the Women's Environment and Development Organization, a non-governmental organization. The chairman of the round table made concluding remarks.

#### **Round table 7 Environmental sustainability**

35. The round table was chaired by Rogatien Biaou, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Benin, who opened the discussion and made an introductory presentation.

36. Statements were made by the discussants at the round table: Brigitte Girardin, Acting Minister of Development Cooperation of France; Auxemite Gebre-Egziabher, Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat); and Klaus Töpfer, Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

37. Interventions were made by the representatives of Kenya, the United Republic of Tanzania, the United States, South Africa, Saudi Arabia and Costa Rica, and the observers for Austria and Croatia.

38. The representatives of UNITAR, Solar Cookers International, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN) also made interventions. The chairman of the round table made concluding remarks.

#### **Round table 8 National strategies to achieve the Millennium Development Goals**

39. The moderator of the round table, Carmen María Gallarda Hernández, Permanent Representative of El Salvador, opened the discussion and made introductory remarks.

40. Statements were made by the discussants: Sidi Ould Didi, Minister of Economic Affairs and Development of Mauritania, and Masood Ahmed, Director-General for Policy and International Development of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

41. Interventions were made by the representatives of Indonesia, South Africa and Thailand, the observers for the Dominican Republic, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mauritania and Guatemala, the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and the representative of the European Commission. The discussants responded to comments raised by the participants.

### **Keynote addresses**

42. At its 11th meeting, on 30 June, the Council heard a keynote address by the President of the Republic of Finland, Tarja Halonen.

43. At its 12th meeting, on 30 June, the Council heard a keynote address by the Prime Minister of Haiti, Gérard Latortue.

### **Opening of the high-level segment (general debate)**

44. At its 11th meeting, on 30 June, the Council heard an introductory statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

45. At the same meeting, statements were made by Delano Franklyn, Minister of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Jean-Louis Schiltz, Minister for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs of Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and Ukraine); Sri Mulyani Indrawati, Minister for National Development Policy of Indonesia; Rafael Correa, Minister for Economy and Finance of Ecuador; Brigitte Girardin, Vice-Minister for Development and Cooperation of France; Hamadi Ould Meimou, Commissioner General for Human Rights, the Fight against Poverty and Integration of Mauritania; Armand DeDecker, Minister for Development Cooperation of Belgium; and Bruce Billson, Parliamentary Secretary for Foreign Affairs and Trade of Australia.

46. At the 12th meeting, on 30 June, statements were made by Rogatien Biaou, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Benin; Peter Anyang' Nyong'o, Minister of Planning and National Development of Kenya; Mustapa Mohamed, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department of Malaysia; Edga Maokola, Minister for Poverty Eradication of the United Republic of Tanzania; Eugène Camara, Minister for Planning of Guinea; Ezra Suruma, Minister for Finance, Planning and Economic Development of Uganda; Mukhtar Shehu Shagari, Minister of Water Resources of Nigeria; Helmut Angula, Director-General of the National Planning Commission of Namibia; Jan Truszczyński, Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland; Sorajak Kasemsuvan, Vice-Minister for the Prime Minister's Office of Thailand; Jan Winkler, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic; Oskaras Jusys, Under-Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania; Serge Chappatte, Assistant Director-General, Agency for Development and Cooperation, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland; Henri Raubenheimer, Director, Economic Development, Department of Foreign Affairs of South Africa; Eduardo J. Sevilla Somoza, Permanent Representative of Nicaragua; and Fekitamoeloa 'Utoikamanu, Permanent Representative of Tonga.

47. At the same meeting, the representative of the United Nations Industrial Development (UNIDO) made a statement.

48. Also at the same meeting, statements were made by representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council: Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations (CONGO); Droit à l'énergie SOS futur; Istanbul International Brotherhood and Solidarity Association.

49. At the 13th meeting, on 1 July, the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee for Development Policy made a statement.

50. At the same meeting, statements were made by E.A. Ogunnaike, Director (Second United Nations Department), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Nigeria; Carlos Alvarado, Vice-Minister for Social Development of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela; Hjálmar W. Hannesson, Permanent Representative of Iceland; Aloukéo Kittikhoun, Permanent Representative of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Chairman of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries; Choi Young-jin, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea; Asim Arar, Head of Delegation of Turkey; Sichan Siv, Representative of the United States to the Economic and Social Council; Carmen María Gallardo Hernández, Permanent Representative of El Salvador; Maged Abdelfattah Abdelaziz, Permanent Representative of Egypt; Vassily Nebenzia, Representative of the Russian Federation; Yashar Aliyev, Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan; Tens C. Kapoma, Permanent Representative of Zambia; Orlando Requeijo Gual, Permanent Representative of Cuba; and Celestino Migliore, Permanent Observer of the Holy See.

51. Also at the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council: All Pakistan Women's Association; Association des mères tunisiennes, also on behalf of Fondation internationale carrefour; World Information Transfer; and Oasis Open City Foundation.

52. At the 14th meeting, on 1 July, statements were made by Armen Martirosyan, Permanent Representative of Armenia; Federico Duque Estrada Meyer, Permanent Representative of Brazil; Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh; Aldo Montovani, Deputy Permanent Representative of Italy; Chem Widhya, Permanent Representative of Cambodia; Nirupam Sen, Permanent Representative of India; Mourad Benmehidi, Deputy Permanent Representative of Algeria; Hamad Hareb Al-Habsi, Deputy Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates; Zhang Yishan, Deputy Permanent Representative of China; Aleg Ivanou, Deputy Permanent Representative of Belarus; Giancarlo Soler, Deputy Permanent Representative of Panama; Kazuo Sunago, representative of Japan; and Fuad Al-Hinai, Permanent Representative of Oman.

53. At the same meeting, statements were made by the Assistant Director-General of FAO, also on behalf of WFP and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD); the Executive Director of UNFPA; the Chief Coordinator, External Relations and Communications of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU); and the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE).

54. Also at the same meeting, the observers for the Commonwealth Secretariat, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the International Organization for Migration, the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, the Common Fund for Commodities and the Organization of the Islamic Conference made statements.

55. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council: Temple of Understanding, on behalf of the fifty-seventh annual DPI/NGO conference, on the theme "Millennium Development Goals: civil society takes

action”; Foundation for the Social Promotion of Culture; *Legião da Boa Vontade*; and International Movement ATD Fourth World, on behalf of Vivat International and the NGO Committee on Social Development.

#### **Panel on employment for growth**

56. At its 11th meeting, on 30 June, the Council held a panel discussion on employment for growth.

57. The panel was chaired by Jaime Moncayo, Permanent Representative of Ecuador and Vice-President of the Council, and moderated by Ezra Suruma, Minister for Finance, Planning and Economic Development of Uganda.

58. The following panellists made presentations: Odile Quintin, Director General for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities of the European Commission; José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs; and Jane Stewart, Deputy Executive Director, Employment Sector, ILO. The presentations were followed by an interactive debate.

59. Interventions were made by the representatives of Jamaica and Nicaragua and the observers for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Botswana.

60. An intervention was also made by the representative of the International Federation of Settlements and Neighbourhood Centres, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council. The panellists responded to comments made and questions posed by participants. The chairman of the panel made concluding remarks.

#### **Ministerial review of progress in the implementation of the 2003 ministerial declaration of the Economic and Social Council**

61. At the 12th meeting, on 30 June, the President of the Council opened discussion on the ministerial review of progress in the implementation of the 2003 ministerial declaration of the Council.

62. At the same meeting, the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, the President of IFAD and the Executive Director of WFP opened the discussion.

63. Also at the same meeting, the Council heard presentations by Zina Adrianarivelo-Razafy (Madagascar); Carol Kramer-LeBlanc, Millennium Challenge Corporation; Stefano Manservigi, Director-General, Directorate-General for Development, European Commission; and Abdoul Aziz Sow, Minister for the New Partnership for Africa’s Development (NEPAD), African Integration and Good Governance of Senegal (on behalf of NEPAD).

64. At the same meeting, statements were also made by the observer for the Dominican Republic and by the representatives of FAO and the International Land Coalition. The President of IFAD summarized the discussion.

**Panel presentation on the response of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination to the Millennium Declaration**

65. At its 13th meeting, on 1 July, the Council held a panel presentation on the response of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB) to the Millennium Declaration.

66. The panel presentation was chaired by the President of the Council. The Secretary of CEB and the Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, opened the discussion.

67. The following panellists made presentations: the President of IFAD and Chairman of the High-level Committee on Programmes of CEB (on the CEB accountability report); the Executive Director of UNFPA; and the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. The presentations were followed by an interactive debate.

68. The President of the Council made an observation and the Secretary of CEB and the Chairman of the High-level Committee on Programmes of CEB made concluding remarks.

**Panel discussion with the Chairpersons of the Commission on the Status of Women, the Commission for Social Development and the Commission on Population and Development, on the 10-year reviews contribution to the 2005 High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly**

69. At its 14th meeting, on 1 July, the Council held a panel discussion with the Chairpersons of the Commission on the Status of Women, the Commission for Social Development and the Commission on Population and Development on the 10-year reviews contribution to the 2005 High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly.

70. The panel was chaired by the President of the Council. A statement was made by the Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs.

71. The following panellists made presentations: Carmen María Gallardo Hernández (El Salvador), Chairperson of the Commission on the Status of Women; Ernesto Aranibar Quiroga (Bolivia), Chairperson of the Commission for Social Development; and Crispin Grey-Johnson (Gambia), Chairperson of the Commission on Population and Development. The presentations were followed by an interactive debate.

72. The representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) and Canada, and the representative of the International Centre for the Legal Protection of Human Rights (Interights), a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council made interventions.

73. The panellists responded to comments made and questions posed by participants and the President of the Council made concluding remarks.

**Summary of the high-level segment**

74. At the 14th meeting, on 1 July, the President of the Council made a statement.

75. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representative of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) (see E/2005/SR.14).

76. At the 14th and 40th meetings, on 1 July and 27 July, the President informed the Council that the proceedings of the high-level segment of the substantive session of 2005 of the Council would be summarized by him and circulated in a document (see E/2005/88).

77. At the 40th meeting, on 27 July, the President of the Council declared closed the high-level segment of the substantive session of 2005 of the Council.

## Chapter IV

### Operational activities segment

#### Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

1. The Council considered the question of operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation (agenda item 3) at its 20th to 24th and 33rd meetings, from 8 to 12 and on 20 July 2005 (for the proceedings, see E/2005/SR.20-24 and 33). It had before it the report of the Secretary-General on funding options and modalities for financing operational activities for development of the United Nations system (A/60/83-E/2005/72).

2. At its 20th and 21st meetings, on 8 July, the Council held an interactive dialogue on introducing operational reforms in the United Nations development system in the pursuit of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration. Introductory remarks were made by the Vice-President of the Council, Jaime Moncayo (Ecuador) and the moderator of the panel, José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs. The following panellists made presentations: Anyang' Nyong'o, Minister of Economic Planning and National Development, Kenya; Atle Leikvoll, Deputy Secretary-General for International Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway; Carmen Eugenia Oliva de Rodríguez, Director, International Cooperation, Secretariat for Planning and Programme of the Presidency (SEGEPLAN), Guatemala; Jean-Michel Severino, Chief Executive Officer, French Development Agency (AFD); Rolando Tungpalan, Assistant Director-General, National Economic and Development Authority, Philippines; Bruce Jenks, Assistant Administrator and Director, Bureau for Resources and Strategic Partnerships, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); Frans Roselaers, Director, Department of Partnerships and Development Cooperation, ILO; Sigrid Kaag, Deputy Director, Programmes Division, UNICEF; Peter Mertens, Coordinator of United Nations Relations and Intergovernmental Organizations Affairs, Department of Governance, WHO; Eckhard Hein, Chief, Resources and Strategic Partnerships Unit, Technical Department, FAO; and Manuela Tortora, Chief, Technical Cooperation Services, UNCTAD. The presentations were followed by an exchange of views with delegations.

3. At its 22nd meeting on 11 July, the Council held a panel discussion on funding of United Nations development cooperation for the pursuit of internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: alternative options and modalities for financing operational activities for development of the United Nations system. The following panellists made presentations: Anyang' Nyong'o, Minister of Economic Planning and National Development, Kenya; Anthony Akoto Osei, Deputy Minister of Finance and Economic Planning, Ghana; Jean-Marc de la Sablière, Permanent Representative of France; Lennarth Hjelmåker, Ambassador of Sweden for HIV/AIDS; Andrew Rogerson, Research Fellow, Overseas Development Institute; Christophe Benn, Director of External Relations, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria; and Bruce Jenks, Associate Administrator and Director of the Bureau for Resources and Strategic Partnerships, UNDP. The presentations were followed by an exchange of views with delegations.

4. At its 23rd meeting, on 11 July, the Council held a dialogue with heads of United Nations funds and programmes on strengthening the resident coordination system, programme alignment, the role of regional structures in supporting operational effectiveness, and sector programme and national capacity development. Introductory remarks were made by the Vice-President of the Council, Jaime Moncayo (Ecuador) and the moderator of the panel, the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs. Presentations were made by the Executive Director of UNICEF, the Executive Director of UNFPA, the Associate Administrator of UNDP and the Senior Deputy Executive Director of WFP. The presentations were followed by an exchange of views with delegations.

## **A. Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council**

### **South-South cooperation for development**

5. At its 24th meeting, on 12 July, the Council held a general discussion on agenda item 3 (a), entitled "Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council", jointly with agenda item 3 (c), entitled "South-South cooperation for development" (see E/2005/SR.24). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for 2003 (A/60/74-E/2005/75);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the management process for the implementation of General Assembly resolution 59/250 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (E/2005/58);

(c) Consolidated list of issues related to the coordination of operational activities for development, 2005 (E/2005/CRP.1);

(d) Report of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation (A/60/39).

6. At the same meeting, introductory statements were made by the Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs and the Director, Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, UNDP.

7. Also at the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Croatia, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and Ukraine), Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand), the Russian Federation, South Africa, India, China, the Congo, Indonesia, Nigeria, the United States, Kenya, Azerbaijan, Ecuador and Pakistan.

8. At the same meeting, statements were made by the observers for Switzerland and Norway.

9. Also at the 24th meeting, a statement was made by the representative of WHO.

**B. Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme**

10. For its consideration of agenda item 3 (b), entitled "Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme", the Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (E/2005/4-DP/2005/13);

(b) Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (E/2005/5-DP/FPA/2005/2);

(c) Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (E/2005/6-E/ICEF/2005/3);

(d) Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme for 2004 (E/2005/14);

(e) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on the work of its first, second and annual sessions of 2004 (E/2004/34/Rev.1-E/ICEF/2004/7/Rev.1);

(f) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on the work of its first regular session of 2005 (E/2005/34 (Part I)-E/ICEF/2005/5 (Part I) and Add.1);

(g) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on its work during 2004 (E/2004/35);

(h) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund on the first regular session of 2005 (DP/2005/14);

(i) Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on the first, second and third regular sessions and annual session of 2004 (E/2005/36);

(j) Report of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation on its fourteenth session (A/60/39);

(k) Decisions adopted by the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Population Fund at the annual session 2005 (DP/2005/30);

(l) Extract from the report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its 2005 annual session (E/2005/L.14).

**Action taken by the Council**

11. Under agenda item 3 (a), the Council adopted resolution 2005/7.

**Progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 59/250 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system**

12. At its 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution (E/2005/L.29) entitled “Progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 59/250 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system”, submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Jaime Moncayo (Ecuador), on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution E/2005/L.16.

13. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft resolution. See Council resolution 2005/7.

14. Under agenda item 3 as a whole, the Council adopted decision 2005/230.

**Documents considered by the Council in connection with item 3**

15. At its 33rd meeting, on 20 July, on the proposal of the Vice-President, Jaime Moncayo (Ecuador), the Council took note of several documents submitted under agenda item 3. See Council decision 2005/230.

## Chapter V

### Coordination segment

#### **Towards achieving internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration**

1. The Council held a discussion on “Towards achieving internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration” (agenda item 4) at its 16th to 19th meetings, from 5 to 7 July 2005. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (E/2005/56) on the themes of the high-level and coordination segments.

#### **General discussion**

2. At its 17th meeting, on 6 July, the Council held a general discussion on agenda item 4 and heard an opening statement by the Vice-President of the Council, Ali Hachani (Tunisia) and an introductory statement by the Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs.

3. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and Ukraine), the Russian Federation, the Congo and Azerbaijan (who circulated his written statement in the Council) and the observer for Switzerland.

#### **Panel discussion: “Achieving the internationally agreed development goals: improving the way the United Nations system works”**

4. At its 16th meeting, on 5 July, the Council held a panel discussion on the theme “Achieving the internationally agreed development goals: improving the way the United Nations system works”. The panel discussion was chaired by Ali Hachani (Tunisia), Vice-President of the Council and moderated by the Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

5. The following panellists made presentations: Eduardo Doryan, Special Representative to the United Nations, World Bank; Frans Roselaer, Director, Department of Partnership and Development Cooperation, ILO; Mr. Patrice Robineau, Acting Deputy Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Europe; Jean-Jacques Graisse, Senior Deputy Executive Director, World Food Programme; Peter Mertens, Coordinator with the United Nations and other intergovernmental agencies, WHO; and Mourad Wahba, Director, Division for United Nations Affairs, Bureau for Resources and Strategic Partnerships, UNDP. The presentations were followed by an interactive debate.

6. Interventions were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union), Italy, Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Egypt, Ireland and South Africa as well as the representative of UNIDO. The panellists responded to queries raised. The Director of the Office for Economic

and Social Council Support and Coordination made a statement. The moderator summarized the discussion.

**Panel discussion on the theme “Implementing the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: perspectives and strategies”**

7. At its 18th meeting on 7 July, the Council held a panel discussion on the theme “Implementing the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: perspectives and strategies”. The panel was moderated by John Hendra, United Nations Resident Coordinator in the United Republic of Tanzania. The following panellists made presentations: Joyce Mapunjo, Commissioner, External Finance Department, Ministry of Finance, United Republic of Tanzania; Cletus Mkai, Director-General, National Bureau of Statistics, United Republic of Tanzania; and Maxmillian M. Kajege, Coordinator, United Republic of Tanzania Coalition on Debt and Development. The presentations were followed by an interactive debate.

8. Interventions were made by the representatives of Ireland, Guinea, the United Kingdom, the United States and Jamaica, and by the representatives of the World Bank, ILO and WHO. The panellists responded to queries raised. The Vice-President of the Council, Ali Hachani (Tunisia), made a statement.

**Panel discussion with the Chairpersons of the functional commissions and other subsidiary bodies of the Council on the theme: “Achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, as well as implementing the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits: progress made, challenges and opportunities”**

9. At its 19th meeting, on 7 July, the Council held a panel discussion with the Chairpersons of the functional commissions and other subsidiary bodies of the Council on the theme “Achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, as well as implementing the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits: progress made, challenges and opportunities”. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs made a statement.

10. Presentations were made by the Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, the Vice-Chairperson of the Commission on the Status of Women on behalf of the Chairperson of the Commission; the Chairman of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs; the Chairperson of the United Nations Forum on Forests; the head of the United States delegation to the thirty-sixth session of the Statistical Commission, on behalf of the Chairperson of the Statistical Commission; and the Vice-Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights, on behalf of the Chairman of the Commission. Interventions were made by the representatives of Cuba, Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) and the Russian Federation.

11. Presentations were also made by the Chairman of the Commission on Population and Development; the Vice-Chairman of the Commission on Sustainable Development, on behalf of the Chairman of the Commission; the Chairperson of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; and the Chairperson of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development.

12. The chairpersons of the following functional commissions and other subsidiary bodies of the Council responded to queries raised: the Commission on Population and Development, the Commission on Sustainable Development, the Commission on the Status of Women, the Commission on Social Development, the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the United Nations Forum on Forests, the Commission on Science and Technology for Development and the Commission on Human Rights.

### **Action taken by the Council**

13. Under agenda item 4, the Council adopted decisions 2005/221 and 2005/222.

### **Theme for the coordination segment of the substantive session of 2006 of the Economic and Social Council and multi-year work programme for the coordination segment**

14. At its 17th meeting, on 6 July, the Council had before it a draft decision, entitled "Theme for the coordination segment of the substantive session of 2006 of the Economic and Social Council and multi-year work programme for the coordination segment" (E/2005/L.13), submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Ali Hachani (Tunisia).

15. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft decision. See Council decision 2005/221.

### **Document considered by the Council in connection with item 4**

16. At its 17th meeting, on 6 July, on the proposal of the Vice-President, the Council took note of a document submitted under item 4. See Council decision 2005/222.

### **Conclusion of the coordination segment**

17. The Vice-President informed the Council that the proceedings of the coordination segment of the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council would be summarized and circulated (see E/2005/89).

18. At its 19th meeting, on 7 July 2005, the Council concluded its coordination segment.

## Chapter VI

### Humanitarian affairs segment

#### Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

1. The Council considered the question of special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance (agenda item 5) at its 25th to 28th meetings, from 13 to 15 July (see E/2005/SR.25-28).

2. For its consideration of agenda item 5, the Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction, recovery and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster (A/60/86-E/2005/77);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (A/60/87-E/2005/78);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on the transition from relief to development (A/60/89-E/2005/79);

(d) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on post-tsunami actions undertaken by the World Tourism Organization (E/2005/48).

#### General discussion

3. At its 25th and 28th meetings, on 13 and 15 July, the Council held a general discussion under the item. At the 25th meeting, the Vice-President of the Council, Johan Verbeke (Belgium) made an opening statement. Introductory statements were made by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, and by the representative of the World Tourism Organization.

#### Panel discussion: “Lessons learned from the recent earthquake/tsunami Indian Ocean disaster: response challenges”

4. At its 26th meeting, on 14 July, the Council held a panel discussion on lessons learned from the recent earthquake/tsunami Indian Ocean disaster: response challenges. Introductory statements were made by the Vice-President of the Council, Johan Verbeke (Belgium) and the moderator of the panel, Jan Egeland, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator. The following panellists made presentations: Sujana Royat, Deputy Coordinating Minister for People’s Welfare, Indonesia; Brigadier General Goh Kee Nguan, Singapore; Margareta Wahlstrom, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator and Special Coordinator for the Tsunami Response, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs; Jean-Jacques Graise, Senior Deputy Executive Director, World Food Programme; Ann Veneman, Executive Director, UNICEF; Karen Katen, Vice Chairman, President of Human Health and Pharmaceuticals, Pfizer; and Nicolas de Torrente, Executive Director, Médecins Sans Frontières-USA. The presentations were followed by an exchange of views with delegations.

**Panel discussion: Lessons learned from the recent earthquake/tsunami Indian Ocean disaster: recovery challenges**

5. At its 26th and 27th meetings, on 14 July, the Council held a panel discussion on lessons learned from the recent earthquake/tsunami Indian Ocean disaster: recovery challenges.

6. At the 26th meeting, introductory statements were made by the President of the Council and the Vice-President of the Council, Johan Verbeke (Belgium). The Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Tsunami Recovery made a presentation and engaged in an exchange of views with delegations.

7. At the 27th meeting, a statement was made by the moderator of the panel, Margareta Wahlstrom, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator and Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs. The following panellists made presentations: Prasad Karyawassam, Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka; Heru Prasetyo, Director, Jakarta Office, Agency for Rehabilitation and Reconstruction for Aceh and Nias, Indonesia; Brent Dark, Deputy Resident Director, North American Regional Office, Asian Development Bank; Hafiz Pasha, Assistant Secretary-General and Director, Asia and the Pacific, UNDP; Johan Shaar, Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the International Federation of Red Cross/Red Crescent Societies for the Tsunami; and Richard China, Acting Director, Emergency Operations and Rehabilitation Division, coordinator of the tsunami response, FAO. The presentations were followed by an exchange of views.

**Panel discussion: Lessons learned from the recent earthquake/tsunami Indian Ocean disaster: investing in risk reduction, mitigation and preparedness**

8. Also at its 27th meeting, the Council held a panel discussion on lessons learned from the recent earthquake/tsunami Indian Ocean disaster: investing in risk reduction, mitigation and preparedness. A statement was made by the moderator of the panel discussion, Kathleen Cravero, Director, Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, UNDP. The following panellists made presentations: Filipe Chidumo, Permanent Representative of Mozambique; Salvano Briceno, Director, International Strategy for Disaster Reduction; and Ibrahim Osman, Director, Policy and Relations Division, International Federation of Red Cross/Red Crescent Societies. The presentations were followed by an exchange of views with delegations.

**Action taken by the Council**

9. Under item 5, the Council adopted resolution 2005/4 and decision 2005/223.

**Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations**

10. At its 28th meeting, on 15 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (E/2005/L.19), submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Johan Verbeke (Belgium), on the basis of informal consultations. The Vice-President orally revised operative paragraph 14 of the text.

11. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised. See Council resolution 2005/4.

12. Before the draft resolution was adopted, the representative of Cuba made a statement; after it was adopted, the representative of Canada made a statement (see E/2005/SR.28).

**Documentation considered by the Council in connection with item 5**

13. At its 28th meeting, on 15 July, on the proposal of the Vice-President, Johan Verbeke (Belgium), the Council decided to take note of the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on post-tsunami actions undertaken by the World Tourism Organization (E/2005/48). See Council decision 2005/223.

## Chapter VII

### General segment

1. At its 29th meeting, on 18 July 2005, the Vice-President, Agim Nesho (Albania) opened the general segment of the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council.
2. At the same meeting, the Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs made an introductory statement.

#### **A. Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits**

3. The Council considered the question of the implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits (agenda item 6) jointly with the question of the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, and 57/270 B (agenda item 8) at its 30th, 31st, 33rd and 40th meetings on 19, 20, and 27 July 2005 (for the discussion, see E/2005/SR.30, 31, 33 and 40). For its consideration of item 6, the Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, and 57/270 B (E/2005/61) (also under item 8);

(b) Synopsis of the review of the methods of work undertaken by the functional commissions and other relevant subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/CRP.5) (English only) (also under item 8);

#### **Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development (agenda item 6 (a))**

(c) Letter dated 23 February 2005 from the Permanent Representatives of Brazil, Chile, France, Germany and Spain to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/59/719-E/2005/12);

(d) Note by the Secretary-General on coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus: achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration (E/2005/50);

(e) Summary by the President of the Economic and Social Council of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (New York, 18 April 2005) (A/59/823-E/2005/69);

#### **Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (agenda item 6 (b))**

(f) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (A/60/81-E/2005/68).

4. At its 30th meeting, on 19 July, the Council held a general discussion on agenda items 6 and 8 (see E/2005/SR.30), and heard introductory statements by the High Representative and Under-Secretary-General for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (under agenda item 6 (b)) and the Director of the Office of Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination (under agenda items 6 and 8).

### **Action taken by the Council**

5. Under agenda items 6 and 8, the Council adopted resolution 2005/48.

### **Role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits**

6. At the 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Jamaica, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled “Role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits” (E/2005/L.31), which read as follows:

*“The Economic and Social Council,*

*“Recalling its agreed conclusions 1995/1 and 2002/1 and its relevant resolutions on the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of major United Nations conferences and summits,*

*“Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 50/227 of 24 May 1996, 52/12 B of 19 December 1997 and 57/270 B of 23 June 2003,*

*“Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits,*

*“1. Underlines the unique opportunity provided by the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly in September 2005 to advance the implementation of all the commitments made in the Millennium Declaration and in the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits;*

*“2. Takes note with appreciation of the contributions of the functional commissions, the regional commissions and other relevant subsidiary bodies to the preparation of the input of the Economic and Social Council to the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly;*

*“3. Underlines the urgency of the completion of the multi-year work programme of the coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council, which will enable the Council and the functional commissions to introduce thematic coherence and predictability into their programmes of work and periodically undertake comprehensive reviews of the implementation of the outcomes of specific conferences or of progress on a common theme;*

“4. *Welcomes* the progress made in the review of the working methods of several functional commissions, and invites those functional commissions and other relevant subsidiary bodies that have not done so to complete the examination of their methods of work in order to effectively pursue the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration and in the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits;

“5. *Recognizes* that progress has been made in several areas to enhance cooperation among the functional commissions and between the functional commissions and the funds and programmes, and invites the functional commissions to continue to work towards further strengthening this cooperation, including through the exchange of experiences with the aim of contributing to the quality and impact of intergovernmental decisions;

“6. *Invites* the functional commissions to clearly identify the implications of their work on operational activities and to bring those implications to the attention of the governing bodies of the funds and programmes for their consideration and guidance on operational activities in order to strengthen the link between policy guidance and operational activities;

“7. *Decides* to further strengthen its linkages with the United Nations regional commissions, including through the contribution of the commissions to the preparation of reports on implementation reviews;

“8. *Invites* the United Nations regional commissions to continue to develop closer links among themselves through knowledge sharing and to enhance cooperation with the United Nations funds and programmes in order to ensure coherence in their work at the regional level;

“9. *Recognizes* the importance of an efficient reporting system in order to make better use of the information provided to the Economic and Social Council and to allow the Council to exercise its coordinating and policy guidance role, and encourages subsidiary bodies to adhere to the guidelines for documentation adopted by the General Assembly and the Council;

“10. *Decides* to continue to promote integrated and coordinated implementation of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration and in the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits;

“11. *Stresses* the important contribution of civil society in the implementation of conference outcomes, and emphasizes that the contribution of non-governmental organizations and the private sector to the work of the Economic and Social Council should be further encouraged and improved, in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Council;

“12. *Decides* to continue to take necessary steps for the effective implementation of the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B, which are relevant to the work of the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary machinery;

“13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the implementation of General Assembly

resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B for consideration by the Council at its substantive session in 2006.”

7. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), on the basis of informal consultations, entitled “Role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits” (E/2005/L.43).

8. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution E/2005/L.43. See Council resolution 2005/48.

9. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution E/2005/L.43, draft resolution E/2005/L.31 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

## **1. Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development**

### **Action taken by the Council**

10. Under agenda item 6 (a), the Council adopted decision 2005/224.

### **Documents considered by the Council in connection with item 6 (a)**

11. At its 31st meeting, on 19 July, the Council, on the proposal of the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), took note of the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General on coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus: achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration (E/2005/50);

(b) Summary by the President of the Economic and Social Council of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (New York, 18 April 2005) (A/59/823-E/2005/69).

See Council decision 2005/224.

## **2. Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010**

### **Action taken by the Council**

12. Under agenda item 6 (b), the Council adopted draft resolution 2005/44.

### **Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010**

13. At the 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Jamaica, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled “Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010” (E/2005/L.28), which read as follows:

*“The Economic and Social Council,*

*“Recalling the Brussels Declaration and the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010,*

*“Recalling also its decision 2001/320 of 24 October 2001, in which it decided to establish, under the regular agenda item entitled ‘Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the major United Nations conferences and summits’, a regular sub-item entitled ‘Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010’,*

*“Recalling further its resolution 2003/17 of 22 July 2003 and its decision 2003/287 of 24 July 2003, as well as the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of its substantive session of 2004 on the theme ‘Resources mobilization and enabling environment for poverty eradication in the context of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010’,*

*“Recalling paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 59/244, in which the Assembly decided to hold the comprehensive review of the Programme of Action in 2006 within the General Assembly at its sixty-first session, in accordance with paragraph 114 of the Programme of Action, and paragraph 6 of the same resolution, in which the General Assembly decided to consider at its sixtieth session the modalities for conducting such a comprehensive review,*

*“1. Takes note of the annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010;*

*“2. Expresses its deep concern over the weak implementation of the Programme of Action;*

*“3. Urges the least developed countries and their bilateral and multilateral development partners to undertake increased efforts and to adopt speedy measures with a view to creating an overall enabling environment for the implementation of the Programme of Action and to meeting its goals and targets in a timely manner;*

*“4. Urges the least developed countries that have not yet done so to develop, adopt and implement national development strategies to achieve the goals and targets of the Programme of Action;*

*“5. Requests the development partners to assist the least developed countries in the development and implementation of their national development strategies based on the goals and targets of the Programme of Action;*

“6. *Calls upon* developed countries that have not yet done so to expeditiously fulfil their commitment of 0.15-0.20 per cent of their gross national income as an official development assistance target to the least developed countries and urges all development partners to align their support with the national development strategies of the least developed countries aimed at achieving the goals and targets as contained in the Programme of Action;

“7. *Requests* development partners, including the United Nations system, to provide assistance to national statistical bodies of the least developed countries in order to strengthen monitoring and reporting on the implementation of the Programme of Action;

“8. *Calls on* the least developed countries, in preparation for the comprehensive review in 2006 by the General Assembly at its sixty-first session, to undertake their national reviews on the implementation of the Programme of Action, with a particular focus on progress, obstacles, constraints, actions and measures necessary to further the implementation of the Programme of Action;

“9. *Requests* United Nations resident coordinators to assist the least developed countries in undertaking their national reviews, in preparation for the comprehensive review of the implementation of the Programme of Action by the Assembly at its sixty-first session;

“10. *Requests* the regional commissions to assist the least developed countries in undertaking regional reviews of the implementation of the Programme of Action in their respective regions, in preparation for the comprehensive review in 2006 by the Assembly at its sixty-first session;

“11. *Encourages* the United Nations system and other international organizations to undertake, in preparation for the comprehensive review in 2006 by the Assembly at its sixty-first session, sectoral reviews of the implementation of the Programme of Action by their governing bodies;

“12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include least developed countries issues in all relevant reports in the economic, social and related fields, particularly those that analyse global development trends, such as the *World Economic Situation and Prospects* to ensure the follow-up of their development in a broader context;

“13. *Reiterates* the critical importance of the participation of Government representatives from the least developed countries in the annual review of the Programme of Action by the Economic and Social Council, underlines in that regard the low representation so far of least developed countries delegations, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure predictable funds for the travel and daily subsistence allowance of two representatives from each least developed country to attend the annual review of the Programme of Action;

“14. *Emphasizes* the importance of coordinating action within the United Nations system for the implementation of the Programme of Action, and calls on the Secretary-General to continue to provide the Office of the United Nations High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked

Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States with adequate resources for indicator-based and results-oriented reporting;

“15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a results-oriented annual progress report on the implementation of the Programme of Action in a more analytical and results-oriented way, by placing greater emphasis on the progress achieved by the least developed countries and their development partners.”

14. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), on the basis of informal consultations, entitled “Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010” (E/2005/L.46).

15. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Council read out a statement of programme budget implications in connection with the draft resolution (see E/2005/SR.40).

16. At the same meeting, the representative of the United States orally amended the text of the draft resolution, as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 5, the “*Requests*” was changed to “*Calls upon*”;

(b) In operative paragraph 14, the word “greater” was deleted.

17. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution E/2005/L.46, as orally amended. See Council resolution 2005/44.

18. Also at the same meeting, in the light of the adoption of draft resolution E/2005/46, draft resolution E/2005/L.28 was withdrawn by its sponsors and the corresponding statement on programme budget implications, submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 31 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/L.39), was also withdrawn.

## **B. Coordination, programme and other questions**

19. The Council held a discussion on coordination, programme and other questions (agenda item 7) at its 29th to 31st, 33rd, 34th, 36th, 39th and 40th meetings, on 18 to 22, 26 and 27 July 2005 (for the discussion, see E/2005/SR.29-31, 33, 34, 36, 39 and 40). It had before it the following documents:

### **Reports of coordination bodies (agenda item 7 (a))**

(a) Annual overview report of the United Nation System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2004/05 (E/2005/63);

(b) Report of the Committee on Programme and Coordination on its forty-fifth session (A/60/16, Supplement No. 16 and Corr.1);

### **Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (agenda item 7 (b))**

(c) Relevant programmes of the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2006-2007 (relevant fascicles of A/60/6);

**International cooperation in the field of informatics (agenda item 7 (c))**

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation in the field of informatics (E/2005/67);

**Long-term programme of support for Haiti (agenda item 7 (d))**

(e) Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (E/2005/66);

(f) Letter dated 27 June 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Haiti to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/86);

**Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system (agenda item 7 (e))**

(g) Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to and progress in the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly (E/2005/54);

**Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force (agenda item 7 (f))**

(h) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the third annual report of the Information and Communication Technologies Task Force (E/2005/71);

**Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) (agenda item 7 (g))**

(i) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) (E/2005/59);

**Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict (agenda item 7 (h))**

(j) Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau (E/2005/70);

(k) Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau (E/2005/8);

(l) Report of the Economic and Social Council Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi (E/2005/82);

(m) Letter dated 4 February 2005 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa addressed to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/11);

**Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields (agenda item 7 (i))**

(n) Provisional calendar of conferences and meetings for 2006 and 2007 in the economic, social and related fields (E/2005/L.12);

(o) Letter dated 24 June 2005 from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/81).

20. At its 29th meeting, on 18 July, introductory statements were made by the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti, the Minister of Planning and

External Cooperation of Haiti and the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General and United Nations Resident Coordinator/Humanitarian Coordinator in Haiti (under agenda item 7 (d)), the representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Advisory Groups on Burundi and Guinea-Bissau, and the United Nations Resident Coordinator in Guinea-Bissau (on agenda item 7 (h)).

21. At its 30th meeting, on 19 July, introductory statements were made by the Director of the Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (agenda item 7 (a)) and the Executive Director of UNAIDS (under agenda item 7 (g)).

22. At its 31st meeting, also on 19 July, introductory statements were made by the Coordinator of the Information and Communication Technologies Board (under 7 (c)) and the Director of the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination and Executive Coordinator of the Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force (under 7 (f)).

23. At the 34th meeting, on 21 July, an introductory statement was made by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and the Advancement of Women (under agenda items 7 (e), 13 (l) and 14 (a)).

### **Action taken by the Council**

24. Under agenda item 7, the Council adopted resolutions 2005/12, 2005/31, 2005/32, 2005/33, 2005/45, 2005/46 and 2005/47 and decisions 2005/225, 2005/226 and 2005/301.

### **Promoting an integrated approach to rural development in developing countries for poverty eradication and sustainable development**

25. At its 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Jamaica, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Promoting an integrated approach to rural development in developing countries for poverty eradication and sustainable development" (E/2005/L.27), which read as follows:

*"The Economic and Social Council,*

*"Reaffirming* the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of its substantive session of 2003,

*"Recalling* its decision 2004/48 of 22 July 2004,

*"Welcoming* the initiative of Brazil to host the International Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development in 2006,

*"Reiterating* that the eradication of rural poverty and hunger is crucial for the achievement of internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration, and that rural development should be pursued through an integrated approach that encompasses economic, social and environmental dimensions, takes into account a gender perspective and consists of mutually reinforcing policies and programmes, which should be balanced, targeted, situation-specific, locally

owned, should include local synergies and initiatives and should be responsive to the needs of rural populations,

*“Having considered* progress or the lack thereof in the implementation of the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of its substantive session of 2003 at its substantive session of 2005,

*“Decides* to review the matter at its substantive session of 2008, and therefore requests the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report on the progress or lack thereof in the implementation of the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of its substantive session of 2003 and of its resolution 2004/48, for consideration during the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2008.”

26. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), on the basis of informal consultations (E/2005/L.48).

27. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution E/2005/L.48. See Council resolution 2005/45.

28. At the same meeting, in the light of the adoption of draft resolution E/2005/L.48, draft resolution E/2005/L.27 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

## **1. Reports of coordination bodies**

### **Documents considered by the Council in connection with agenda item 7 (a)**

29. At its 31st and 40th meetings, on 19 and 27 July, on the proposal of the President of the Council, the Council took note of the following reports:

(a) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-fifth session (A/60/16 and Corr.1);

(b) Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2004/05 (E/2005/63).

See Council decision 2005/225.

## **2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007**

30. At its 30th and 31st meetings, on 19 July, the Council considered agenda item 7 (b). No action was taken by the Council under the sub-item.

## **3. International cooperation in the field of informatics**

### **The need to harmonize and improve United Nations informatics systems for optimal utilization and accessibility by all States**

31. At its 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Jamaica, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled “The need to harmonize and improve

United Nations informatics systems for optimal utilization and accessibility by all States” (E/2005/L.33).

32. At its 36th meeting, on 22 July, the Secretary of the Council orally amended operative paragraph 3 by replacing the word “free” in the last line with the word “unrestricted”.

33. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft resolution as orally amended. See Council resolution 2005/12.

#### **4. Long-term programme of support for Haiti**

34. At the 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Canada introduced a draft resolution entitled “Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti”, submitted by Benin, Brazil, Canada, Chile,<sup>1</sup> Haiti,<sup>1</sup> Pakistan, Spain and Trinidad and Tobago (E/2005/L.20).

35. At the 40th meeting, on 27 July, the representative of Canada introduced revised draft resolution E/2005/L.20/Rev.1 on behalf of the same sponsors and further revised it orally as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 2, the words “in preparing” were replaced by the words “to prepare”;

(b) In operative paragraph 4, the words “provide adequate” and “for” were deleted and the word “adequately” was inserted at the end of the paragraph;

(c) In operative paragraph 5, after the words “Secretary-General” a comma was inserted and the word “and” deleted; in the third line, the word “other” was deleted;

(d) In operative paragraph 8, after the words “the situation”, the word “then” was inserted; at the end of the paragraph, the words “at that time” were deleted.

36. At the same meeting, the Council had before it a statement of the programme budget implications (E/2005/L.47) of the revised draft resolution.

37. Statements were made by the representative of Brazil, the observers for Haiti and Argentina and the representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

38. Also at the 40th meeting, the Council adopted operative paragraph 4 of draft resolution E/2005/20/Rev.1, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 51 to 1. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

United States of America.

39. Before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

40. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the revised draft resolution. See Council resolution 2005/46.

41. After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representative of Japan, the representative of Jamaica (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China) and the observer for Haiti.

## **5. Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system**

42. At the 39th meeting, on 26 July, the representative of Indonesia, on behalf also of Australia, Austria,<sup>1</sup> Bangladesh, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus,<sup>1</sup> the Czech Republic,<sup>1</sup> Finland,<sup>1</sup> France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein,<sup>1</sup> Lithuania, Luxembourg,<sup>1</sup> Malta,<sup>1</sup> Mexico, Nigeria, Norway,<sup>1</sup> Poland, Portugal,<sup>1</sup> Senegal, Spain, Switzerland,<sup>1</sup> Turkey and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, introduced a draft resolution entitled “Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system” (E/2005/L.38) and orally revised operative paragraph 4 (j) by replacing the words “and ensuring the use of available sex-disaggregated data” by the words “promoting the collection, compilation and analysis of sex-disaggregated data and ensuring the use by them of such data”.

43. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised. See Council resolution 2005/31.

44. After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.39).

## **6. Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force**

### **United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force**

45. At its 36th meeting, on 22 July, the Council had before it a draft decision entitled “United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force” (E/2005/L.23), submitted by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), which read as follows:

*“The Economic and Social Council,*

*“(a) Takes note* of the third annual report of the United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force;

*“(b) Welcomes* the valuable contribution of the Task Force to mainstreaming ICT into development as a powerful tool that can enable the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration;

*“(c) Reiterates* the need to sustain and further strengthen multi-stakeholder cross-sectoral dialogue on the role of ICT in development, and to

this end encourages the engagement of all stakeholders in open and inclusive collaborative initiatives and partnerships to enhance the impact of ICT on the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration.”

46. At the same meeting, following statements by the representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union), the United States and the Russian Federation, the Council postponed action on the draft decision.

47. At the 40th meeting, on 27 July, an informal paper was circulated containing a revised text of draft decision E/2005/L.23.

48. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the revised draft decision. See Council decision 2005/301.

## **7. Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)**

49. At its 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Brazil introduced a draft resolution entitled “Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)” (E/2005/L.18).

50. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution entitled “Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)” submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), on the basis of informal consultations (E/2005/L.40).

51. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution E/2005/L.40. See Council resolution 2005/47.

52. After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.40).

53. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution E/2005/L.40, draft resolution E/2005/L.18 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

## **8. Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict**

### **Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi**

54. At the 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Jamaica, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled “Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi” (E/2005/L.25).

55. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution entitled “Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi” submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), on the basis of informal consultations (E/2005/L.37).

56. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution E/2005/L.37. See Council resolution 2005/33.

57. Also at the same meeting, in the light of the adoption of draft resolution E/2005/L.37, draft resolution E/2005/L.25 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

#### **Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau**

58. At the 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Jamaica, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled “Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau” (E/2005/L.30).

59. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution entitled “Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau”, submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), based on informal consultations (E/2005/L.36).

60. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution E/2005/L.36. See Council resolution 2005/32.

61. Also at the same meeting, in the light of the adoption of draft resolution E/2005/L.36, draft resolution E/2005/L.30 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

### **9. Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields**

62. At its 31st meeting, on 19 July, on the proposal of the Vice-President, Agim Nesho (Albania) the Council took note of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-fifth session (A/60/16 and Corr.1) and approved the calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields (E/2005/L.12). See Council decision 2005/226.

### **C. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B**

63. The Council considered the question of the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B (agenda item 8) jointly with the question of the implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits (agenda item 6) at its 30th and 40th meetings on 19 and 27 July 2005 (for the discussion, see E/2005/SR.30, 31, 33 and 40). For its consideration of agenda item 8, the Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B (E/2005/61) (see also under item 6);

(b) Synopsis of the review of the methods of work undertaken by the functional commissions and other relevant subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/CRP.5) (see also under item 6).

64. For action taken by the Council at its substantive session under agenda item 8, see section A above, paragraph 5.

#### **D. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations**

65. The Council held a discussion on the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (agenda item 9) at its 31st, 33rd and 40th meetings, on 19, 20 and 27 July 2005 (for the discussion, see E/2005/SR.31, 33 and 40). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (A/60/90-E/2005/80);

(b) Report of the President of the Council on consultations held with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (E/2005/47 and Corr.1);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (A/60/64);

(d) Letter dated 25 July 2005 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland addressed to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/87).

66. At its 31st meeting, on 19 July, an introductory statement was made by the Officer-in-Charge of the Asia and the Pacific Division, Department of Political Affairs.

#### **Action taken by the Council**

67. Under agenda item 9, the Council adopted resolution 2005/49.

#### **Support to Non-Self-Governing Territories by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations**

68. At its 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Cuba, on behalf of Bolivia,<sup>1</sup> Cuba, Congo, Dominica,<sup>1</sup> Fiji,<sup>1</sup> Grenada,<sup>1</sup> Malaysia, Namibia, Papua New Guinea,<sup>1</sup> Saint Lucia<sup>1</sup> and the Syrian Arab Republic,<sup>1</sup> introduced a draft resolution entitled "Support to Non-Self-Governing Territories by the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations" (E/2005/L.22). Subsequently, China joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

69. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the representative of Cuba orally revised the text as follows:

(a) Operative paragraph 18, which read:

"18. *Also welcomes* the adoption by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean of its resolution 598 (XXX) of 2 July 2004, in

which the Commission welcomed the participation of associate members in the United Nations world conferences and relevant special sessions of the General Assembly and reiterated its request, contained in its resolution 574 (XXVII) of 16 May 1998, for the establishment of necessary mechanisms for the participation of associate members of regional economic commissions in the work of the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies;”

was deleted;

(b) Operative paragraph 19, which read:

“19. *Requests* the President of the Council to continue to maintain close contact on these matters with the Chairman of the Special Committee and to report thereon to the Council, including on potential modalities for implementation of the relevant resolutions of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean;”

was replaced with the following:

“19. *Requests* the President of the Council to continue to maintain close contact on these matters with the Chairman of the Special Committee and to report thereon to the Council;”

70. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 32 to none with 20 abstentions. See Council resolution 2005/49. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Benin, Brazil, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Abstaining:*

Albania, Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

71. Before the draft resolution was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Cuba, the United States and the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) (see E/2005/SR.40).

## **E. Regional cooperation**

72. The Council considered the question of regional cooperation (agenda item 10) at its 15th, 31st, 36th, 39th and 40th meetings, on 5, 19, 22, 26 and 27 July 2005 (for the proceedings, see E/2004/SR.15, 31, 36, 39 and 40). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Addendum to the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields: matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention (E/2004/15/Add.2);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields (E/2005/15);

(c) Addendum to the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields: matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention (E/2005/15/Add.1);

(d) Summary of the *Economic Survey of Europe, 2005*: the economic situation in Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States in 2004-2005 (E/2005/16);

(e) Overview of the Economic report on Africa 2005: "Meeting the challenges of unemployment and poverty in Africa" (E/2005/17);

(f) Summary of the economic and social survey of Asia and the Pacific, 2005 (E/2005/18);

(g) Summary of the economic survey of Latin America and the Caribbean, 2004 (E/2005/19);

(h) Survey of the survey of economic and social developments in the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia region, 2005 (E/2005/20);

(i) Note by the Secretary-General on the project for a Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar (E/2005/21).

**Interactive dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions on the theme: "Achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: a regional perspective"**

73. At its 15th meeting, on 5 July 2005, the Council held a dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions. The Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe made an introductory statement.

74. At the same meeting, the Council also heard presentations by the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) on "Achievement of the Millennium Development Goals at the regional level"; the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) on "Cooperation between the regional commissions and regional organizations in support of the Millennium Development Goals"; the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) on "The need for coherent policies and approaches at the national, regional and international levels for implementation of the Millennium Development Goals"; the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) on "Partnership for achieving the Millennium Development Goals"; and the Executive Secretary for the Economic Commission for Europe, on behalf of the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), on "Cooperation among the regional commissions in support of the Millennium Development Goals".

75. Also at the same meeting, the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs made a statement.

76. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, Turkey, and the members of the European Economic Area), Guinea,

Egypt, Ecuador, Indonesia, Benin and Thailand, and the observers for Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Syrian Arab Republic. The Executive Secretaries responded to queries raised.

### **Action taken by the Council**

77. Under item 10, the Council adopted resolutions 2005/34, 2005/35, 2005/36, 2005/37, 2005/38, 2005/39, 2005/40, 2005/41 and 2005/50 and decisions 2005/297, 2005/302 and 2005/303.

### **Europe-Africa fixed link through the Strait of Gibraltar**

78. At the 36th meeting, on 22 July, the representative of Spain, on behalf also of Morocco,<sup>1</sup> introduced draft resolution E/2005/L.21, entitled "Europe-Africa fixed link through the Strait of Gibraltar". Subsequently, France joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

79. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council adopted the draft resolution. See Council resolution 2005/34.

### **Recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields**

#### **Midterm review concerning the functioning of the conference structure of the Economic and Social Commission of Asia and the Pacific**

80. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, entitled "Mid-term review concerning the functioning of the conference structure of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific" (see E/2005/15/Add.1, chap. I.A). See Council resolution 2005/35.

#### **Statute of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific**

81. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted draft resolution II recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, entitled "Statute of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific" (see E/2005/15/Add.1, chap. I.A). See Council resolution 2005/36.

#### **Statute of the United Nations Asian and Pacific Centre for Agricultural Engineering and Machinery**

82. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted draft resolution III recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, entitled "Statute of the United Nations Asian and Pacific Centre for Agricultural Engineering and Machinery" (see E/2005/15/Add.1, chap. I.A). See Council resolution 2005/37.

#### **Statute of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology**

83. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted draft resolution IV recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

entitled “Statute of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology” (see E/2005/15/Add.1.A, chap. I). See Council resolution 2005/38.

**Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Secondary Crops Development in Asia and the Pacific**

84. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted draft resolution V recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, entitled “Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Secondary Crops Development in Asia and the Pacific” (see E/2005/15/Add.1.A, chap. I). See Council resolution 2005/39.

**Establishment of the Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development**

85. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted draft resolution VI recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, entitled “Establishment of the Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development” (see E/2005/15/Add.1.A, chap. I.A). See Council resolution 2005/40.

**Venue of the sixty-second session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific**

86. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted a draft decision recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific entitled “Venue of the sixty-second session of the Commission” (see E/2005/15/Add.1, chap. I.A). See Council decision 2005/297.

**Admission of Germany as a member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean**

87. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted a draft resolution recommended by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, entitled “Admission of the Federal Republic of Germany as a member of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean” (see E/2005/15/Add.1, chap. I.B). See Council resolution 2005/41.

**The Damascus Declaration and the role of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia in the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration**

88. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council adopted draft resolution E/2005/L.45, entitled “The Damascus Declaration and the role of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia in the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration”, submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania) on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution I recommended by the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (see E/2005/15/Add.1.A, chap. I.C). See Council resolution 2005/50.

**Implementation of resolutions concerning the participation of associate member countries of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in the follow-up to United Nations world conferences and in the work of the Economic and Social Council**

89. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council held a discussion on draft resolution III, entitled “Implementation of resolutions concerning the participation of associate member countries of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in the follow-up to United Nations world conferences and in the work of the Economic and Social Council”, contained in document E/2004/15/Add.2.

90. At the same meeting, on the proposal of the President, the Council adopted a draft decision. See Council decision 2005/302.

**F. Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan**

91. The Council held a discussion on the economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan (agenda item 11) at its 31st, 35th and 40th meetings, on 19, 21 and 27 July 2005 (for the discussion, see E/2005/SR.31, 35 and 40). It had before it a note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report prepared by the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia on the economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan (A/60/65-E/2005/13).

92. At the 31st meeting, on 19 July, the Chief of the Regional Commissions New York Office made an introductory statement (see E/2005/SR.31).

**Action taken by the Council**

93. Under agenda item 11, the Council adopted resolution 2005/51 and decision 2005/304.

**Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan**

94. At its 35th meeting, on 21 July, the representative of Tunisia, on behalf of Algeria,<sup>1</sup> Djibouti,<sup>1</sup> Egypt,<sup>1</sup> Jordan,<sup>1</sup> Kuwait,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon,<sup>1</sup> Malaysia, Mauritania,<sup>1</sup> Morocco,<sup>1</sup> Oman,<sup>1</sup> Qatar,<sup>1</sup> Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia,<sup>1</sup> South Africa, the Sudan,<sup>1</sup> Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, Yemen<sup>1</sup> and Palestine,<sup>2</sup> introduced a draft resolution entitled “Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan” (E/2005/L.24).

95. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it a revised text of the draft resolution (E/2005/L.24/Rev.1) which was introduced by the representative of Tunisia, on behalf of the same sponsors as well as Iraq, Cuba, Indonesia and Namibia, and orally revised the draft resolution as follows:

(a) In the thirteenth preambular paragraph, in the penultimate line, the words “for full respect of the legal” were replaced by the words “to comply with the”;

(b) In the final preambular paragraph, the last word “quartet” should be “Quartet”.

96. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the revised draft resolution, as further revised orally, by a recorded vote of 49 to 2, with 1 abstention. See Council resolution 2005/51. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Australia, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

Costa Rica.

97. Before the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States; after the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Panama, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) and Japan and the observers for Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic, as well as by the observer for Palestine (see E/2005/SR.40).

**Document considered by the Council in connection with agenda item 11**

98. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, on the proposal of the President, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan (A/60/65-E/2005/13). See Council decision 2005/304.

**G. Non-governmental organizations**

99. At its organizational session, the Council held a discussion on the question of non-governmental organizations under item 2, entitled “Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters”, at its 2nd meeting, on 4 February. It had before it the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2005 regular session (E/2005/32 (Part I)). (See decisions 2005/207, 208 and 209.)

100. At its substantive session, the Council held a discussion on non-governmental organizations (agenda item 12) at its 35th meeting, on 21 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.35). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2005 regular session (E/2005/32 (Part I) and Corr.1);

(b) Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its resumed 2005 regular session (E/2005/32 (Part II)).

### **Action taken by the Council**

101. Under item 2 of the agenda of its organizational session, the Council adopted decisions 2005/207, 2005/208 and 2005/209. Under item 12 of the agenda of its substantive session, the Council adopted decisions 2005/237, 2005/238, 2005/239, 2005/240, 2005/241 and 2005/242.

### **Recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Part I)**

#### **Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations**

102. At its 2nd meeting, on 4 February, the Council adopted draft decision I recommended by the Committee,<sup>3</sup> entitled “Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations”. See Council decision 2005/207.

#### **Matters pertaining to reinstatement of the consultative status of non-governmental organizations in cases where consultative status was suspended by the Economic and Social Council**

103. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision II recommended by the Committee,<sup>3</sup> entitled “Matters pertaining to reinstatement of the consultative status of non-governmental organizations in cases where consultative status was suspended by the Economic and Social Council”. See Council decision 2005/208.

#### **Organization of work of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations for its 2005 regular session**

104. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision III recommended by the Committee,<sup>3</sup> entitled “Organization of work of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations for its 2005 regular session”. See Council decision 2005/209.

#### **Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2005 regular session**

105. At its 35th meeting, on 21 July, the Council adopted draft decision IV recommended by the Committee,<sup>3</sup> entitled “Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2005 regular session”. See Council decision 2005/242.

**Recommendations contained in the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Part II)****Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations**

106. Also at the 35th meeting, the Council adopted draft decision I, recommended by the Committee,<sup>4</sup> entitled “Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations”. See Council decision 2005/237.

**Suspension of consultative status**

107. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision II, recommended by the Committee,<sup>4</sup> entitled “Suspension of consultative status”. See Council decision 2005/238.

108. Also at the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and China.

**Withdrawal of consultative status**

109. Also at the 35th meeting, the Council adopted draft decision III, recommended by the Committee,<sup>4</sup> entitled “Withdrawal of consultative status”. See Council decision 2005/239.

**Issuance of documentation for the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

110. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision IV, recommended by the Committee,<sup>4</sup> entitled “Issuance of documentation for the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations”. See Council decision 2005/240.

**Dates of the 2006 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations and provisional agenda**

111. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision V, recommended by the Committee,<sup>4</sup> entitled “Dates of the 2006 session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations and provisional agenda”. See Council decision 2005/241.

**H. Economic and environmental questions**

112. The Council held a discussion on economic and environmental questions (agenda item 13) at its 31st to 34th, 36th, 39th and 40th meetings, on 19 to 22, 26 and 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.31-34, 36, 39 and 40). For its consideration of item 13, the Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Consolidated report of the Secretary-General on the work of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council in 2005 (E/2005/74) (also under agenda item 14);

(b) Supplementary information to the consolidated report of the Secretary-General on the work of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council in 2005 (E/2005/CRP.3) (English only) (also under agenda item 14);

(c) Proposals of subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council requiring attention and/or action by the Council (E/2005/MISC.1) (English only) (also under agenda item 14).

113. At its 32nd meeting, on 20 July 2005, introductory statements were made by the Director of the Office of Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (under agenda item 13), the Chairperson of the Committee for Development Policy (under sub-item 13 (a)), the Director, United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) New York Office (under sub-item 13 (d)) and the Chief of the Regional Commissions New York Office (under sub-item 13 (m)).

### **Action taken by the Council**

114. Under agenda item 13, the Council adopted decision 2005/305.

#### **Promoting coordination and consolidation of the work of the functional commissions**

115. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it a draft decision entitled "Promoting coordination and consolidation of the work of the functional commissions" (E/2005/L.41), submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), on the basis of informal consultations.

116. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft decision. See Council decision 2005/305.

## **1. Sustainable development**

117. The Council held a discussion on sustainable development (agenda item 13 (a)) at its 32nd, 39th and 40th meeting, on 20, 26 and 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.32, 39 and 40). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its thirteenth session (E/2005/29, Supplement No. 9);

(b) Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its seventh session (E/2005/33, Supplement No. 13) (see also under agenda item 2).

### **Action taken by the Council**

118. Under agenda item 13 (a), the Council adopted resolutions 2005/5, 2005/6, and 2005/42 and decisions 2005/227, 2005/228, 2005/229, and 2005/306.

**Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its thirteenth session****Support to the Bureau in preparing for future sessions of the Commission on Sustainable Development**

119. At the 32nd meeting, on 20 July, the Council adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Commission<sup>5</sup> entitled “Support to the Bureau in preparing for future sessions of the Commission on Sustainable Development”. See Council resolution 2005/5.

**Support for the travel of representatives from developing countries and countries with economies in transition to future sessions of the Commission on Sustainable Development**

120. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution II recommended by the Commission,<sup>5</sup> entitled “Support for the travel of representatives from developing countries and countries with economies in transition to future sessions of the Commission on Sustainable Development”. See Council resolution 2005/6.

121. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Secretary of the Council read out a statement of programme budget implications of resolutions 2005/5 and 2005/6 (see E/2005/SR.40).

**Term of the Bureau of the Commission on Sustainable Development**

122. At its 32nd meeting, on 20 July, the Council adopted draft decision I recommended by the Commission,<sup>6</sup> entitled “Term of the Bureau of the Commission on Sustainable Development”. See Council decision 2005/227.

**Dates of the meetings of the Commission on Sustainable Development during its 2006/2007 cycle**

123. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision II recommended by the Commission,<sup>6</sup> entitled “Dates of the meetings of the Commission on Sustainable Development during its 2006/2007 cycle”. See Council decision 2005/228.

**Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its thirteenth session and provisional agenda for the fourteenth session of the Commission**

124. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision III recommended by the Commission,<sup>6</sup> entitled “Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its thirteenth session and provisional agenda for the fourteenth session of the Commission”. See Council decision 2005/229.

**United Nations Public-Private Alliance for Rural Development**

125. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the representative of Jamaica, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled “United Nations Public-Private Alliance for Rural Development” (E/2005/L.35).

126. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Council orally corrected operative paragraph 1 by replacing the word “*Welcomes*” with the word “*Encourages*”.

127. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution E/2005/L.35, as orally corrected. See Council resolution 2005/42.

128. After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the observer for the Dominican Republic (see E/2005/SR.39).

#### **Report of the Committee for Development Policy**

129. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council decided to defer consideration of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its seventh session (E/2005/33, Supplement No. 13) to a later date, with a view to concluding its deliberations before the commencement of the eighth session of the Committee. See Council decision 2005/306.

130. After the adoption of the decision, a statement was made by the representative of the United States (see E/2005/SR.40).

## **2. Science and technology for development**

131. The Council held a discussion on science and technology for development (agenda item 13 (b)) at its 31st, 32nd and 40th meetings, on 19, 20 and 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.31, 32 and 40). It had before it the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its eighth session (E/2005/31, Supplement No. 11).

#### **Action taken by the Council**

132. Under agenda item 13 (b), the Council adopted one resolution (2005/52) and three decisions (2005/307, 2005/308 and 2005/309).

#### **Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its eighth session**

133. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council considered the draft resolution entitled "Science and technology for Development" recommended by the Commission.<sup>7</sup>

134. At the same meeting, the Council had before it a revised text of the draft resolution, which was circulated in an informal paper.

135. Also at the same meeting, following a statement by the representative of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union), the Council adopted the revised draft resolution, as circulated in the informal paper (see Council resolution 2005/52).

#### **Extension of the mandate of the Gender Advisory Board**

136. At the 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it draft decision I, entitled "Extension of the mandate of the Gender Advisory Board" recommended by the Commission.<sup>8</sup>

137. At the same meeting, the President read out an amendment to the draft decision, arrived at on the basis of informal consultations, which added the words

“through the continued use of extra-budgetary funding,” after the words “for a further five years,”.

138. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft decision, as amended. See Council decision 2005/307.

#### **Methods of work of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development**

139. At the 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council adopted draft decision II, entitled “Methods of work of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development”, recommended by the Commission.<sup>8</sup> See Council decision 2005/308.

#### **Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its eighth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the ninth session of the Commission**

140. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision III, entitled “Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its eighth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the ninth session of the Commission” recommended by the Commission.<sup>8</sup> See Council decision 2005/309.

### **3. Statistics**

141. The Council held a discussion on statistics (agenda item 13 (c)) at its 33rd and 36th meetings, on 20 and 22 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.33 and 36). It had before it the report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-sixth session (E/2005/24, Supplement No. 4).

#### **Action taken by the Council**

142. Under agenda item 13 (c), the Council adopted resolution 2005/13 and decision 2005/244.

#### **Recommendations contained in the report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-sixth session**

143. At its 36th meeting, on 22 July, the Council considered the report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-sixth session (E/2005/24, Supplement No. 4).

144. At the same meeting, the Secretary made a statement of clarification on programme budget implications (see E/2005/SR.36).

#### **2010 World Population and Housing Census Programme**

145. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft resolution entitled “2010 World Population and Housing Census Programme”, recommended by the Commission.<sup>9</sup> See Council resolution 2005/13.

#### **Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-sixth session and provisional agenda, dates and documentation for the thirty-seventh session of the Commission**

146. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft decision entitled “Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-sixth session and provisional agenda,

dates and documentation for the thirty-seventh session of the Commission”, recommended by the Commission.<sup>10</sup> See Council decision 2005/244.

147. Also at the same meeting, the representative of the United States made a statement.

#### **4. Human settlements**

148. The Council held a discussion on human settlements (agenda item 13 (d)) at its 32nd, 33rd, 39th and 40th meetings, on 20, 26, and 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.32, 33, 39 and 40). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda (E/2005/60);

(b) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme on its twentieth session (A/60/8, Supplement No. 8).

#### **Action taken by the Council**

149. Under agenda item 13 (d), the Council adopted decisions 2005/298 and 2005/312.

#### **Coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda**

150. At its 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the representative of Jamaica, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft decision entitled “Human settlements” (E/2005/L.26).

151. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted the draft decision. See Council decision 2005/298.

#### **Document considered in connection with agenda item 13 (d)**

152. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, on the proposal of the Vice-President of the Council, Munir Akram (Pakistan), the Council took note of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (A/60/8, Supplement No. 8). See Council decision 2005/312.

#### **5. Environment**

153. The Council held a discussion on environment (agenda item 13 (e)) at its 32nd and 40th meetings, on 20 and 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.32 and 40). It had before it the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme/Global Ministerial Environment Forum on its twenty-third session (A/60/25, Supplement No. 25).

#### **Action taken by the Council**

154. Under this item, the Council adopted decision 2005/312.

**Document considered in connection with agenda item 13 (e)**

155. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council took note of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme/Global Ministerial Environment Forum on its twenty-third session (A/60/25, Supplement No. 25). See Council decision 2005/312.

**6. Population and development**

156. At its organizational session, the Council held a discussion on the question of population and development under item 2, entitled “Adoption of the agenda and organizational matters”, at its 4th meeting, on 31 March 2005. It had before it and adopted a draft decision entitled “Improvement of the work of the Commission on Population and Development”. See Council decision 2005/213.

157. The Council held a discussion on population and development (agenda item 13 (f)) at its 33rd and 36th meetings, on 20 and 22 July (see E/2005/SR.33 and 36). It had before it the report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-eighth session (E/2005/25, Supplement No. 5).

**Action taken by the Council**

158. Under item 2 of the agenda of its organizational session, the Council adopted decision 2005/213.

159. Under agenda item 13 (f), the Council adopted decision 2005/245.

**Recommendation contained in the report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-eighth session**

160. At its 36th meeting, on 22 July, the Secretary read out a statement on programme budget implications (see E/2005/SR.36).

161. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft decision recommended by the Commission,<sup>11</sup> entitled “Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its thirty-eighth session and provisional agenda for the thirty-ninth session of the Commission”. See Council decision 2005/245.

**7. Public administration and development**

162. The Council held a discussion on public administration and development (agenda item 13 (g)), at its 33rd, 39th and 40th meetings, on 20, 26 and 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.33, 39 and 40). It had before it the report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its fourth session (E/2005/44, Supplement No. 24).

**Action taken by the Council**

163. Under agenda item 13 (g), the Council adopted decision 2005/310.

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**Recommendations contained in the report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration**

164. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council postponed action on the recommendation contained in the report (E/2005/44, Supplement No. 24) to its next meeting.

165. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council resumed its consideration of the report and statements were made by the representatives of Italy and Cuba.

166. At the same meeting, the Council decided to defer consideration of the report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration to a resumed substantive session. See Council decision 2005/310.

**8. International cooperation in tax matters**

167. The Council held a discussion on international cooperation in tax matters (agenda item 13 (h)) at its 40th meeting, on 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.40).

**Action taken by the Council**

168. Under this agenda item, the Council adopted decision 2005/311.

**International cooperation in tax matters**

169. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, on the proposal of the President, the Council decided to defer consideration of the sub-item to the organizational session of the Council for 2006. See Council decision 2005/311.

170. At the same meeting, the representatives of the United States and Benin made a statement.

171. Also at the same meeting, the Secretary made a statement.

**9. United Nations Forum on Forests**

172. The Council held a discussion on the United Nations Forum on Forests (agenda item 13 (i)) at its 32nd, 36th and 40th meetings, on 20, 22 and 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.32, 36 and 40). It had before it the report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its fifth session (E/2005/42, Supplement No. 22).

**Action taken by the Council**

173. Under this agenda item, the Council adopted resolution 2005/29.

**Recommendation contained in the report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its fifth session****Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its fifth session and provisional agenda for its sixth session**

174. At its 36th meeting, on 22 July, the Council adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Forum<sup>12</sup> entitled “Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its fifth session and provisional agenda for its sixth session”. See Council resolution 2005/29.

175. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Secretary of the Council provided clarifications on the programme budget implications of the resolution (see E/2005/SR.40).

**10. Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions**

176. The Council had a discussion on assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions (agenda item 13 (j)) at its 33rd and 40th meetings, on 20 and 27 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.33 and 40). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions (A/59/334);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General on assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions (E/2005/62).

**Action taken by the Council**

177. Under this item, the Council adopted decision 2005/312.

**Document considered in connection with agenda item 13 (j)**

178. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions (A/59/334) and the note by the Secretary-General on assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions (E/2005/62). See Council decision 2005/312.

**11. Cartography**

179. The Council had a discussion on cartography (agenda item 13 (k)) at its 33rd meeting, on 20 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.33). It had before it an excerpt from the report of the Eighth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas (E/2005/83).

### **Action taken by the Council**

180. Under this item, the Council adopted decision 2005/231.

#### **Recommendations contained in the excerpt from the report of the Eighth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas**

181. At its 33rd meeting, on 20 July, the Council endorsed the recommendations contained in the excerpt from the report of the Eighth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas. See Council decision 2005/231.

## **12. Women and development**

182. The Council considered the question of women and development (agenda item 13 (l)) jointly with that of mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system (agenda item 7 (e)) and that of the advancement of women (agenda item 14 (a)) at its 34th meeting, on 21 July 2005 (for the discussion, see E/2005/SR.34). The Council had before it the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-ninth session (E/2005/27, Supplement No. 7 and Corr.1).

## **13. Transport of dangerous goods**

183. The Council had a discussion on the transport of dangerous goods (agenda item 13 (m)) at its 32nd and 40th meetings, on 20 and 27 July (see E/2005/SR.32 and 40). It had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (E/2005/53).

### **Action taken by the Council**

184. Under this item, the Council adopted resolution 2005/53.

#### **Recommendation contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals**

185. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it the draft resolution contained in the report of the Secretary-General (E/2005/53), entitled “Work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals” and proposed amendments to the draft resolution submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), on the basis of informal consultations (E/2005/L.42).

186. At the same meeting, the Secretary of the Council provided clarification concerning programme budget implications arising from the draft resolution (see E/2005/SR.40).

187. At the same meeting, the representative of the United States made a statement, after which the Council adopted the proposed amendments contained in document E/2005/L.42.

188. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft resolution contained in document E/2005/53, as amended. See Council resolution 2005/53.

## **I. Social and human rights questions**

189. The Council considered social and human rights questions (agenda item 14 (a) to (h)) at its 34th to 40th meetings, on 21 and 22 and from 25 to 27 July 2005 (for the discussion, see E/2005/SR.34-40).

190. Under agenda item 14 as a whole, the Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Consolidated report on the work of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council in 2005 (E/2005/74);

(b) Supplementary information to the consolidated report of the Secretary-General on the work of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council in 2005 (E/2005/CRP.3).

### **Action taken by the Council**

#### **Documents considered by the Council under agenda item 14**

191. At its 38th and 40th meetings, on 25 and 27 July, the Council took note of a number of documents submitted under agenda items 14 (a), (d) and (g). See Council decision 2005/296.

## **1. Advancement of women**

192. Under agenda item 14 (a), the Council held a discussion at its 34th, 39th and 40th meetings, on 21, 26 and 27 July 2005. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-ninth session (E/2005/27, Supplement No. 7 and Corr.1\*);

(b) Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its thirty-second session (A/60/38 (Part I));

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on follow-up to and progress in the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly (E/2005/54);

(d) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women on the work of its second session (E/2005/75);

(e) Letter dated 23 November 2004 from the Permanent Representatives of Canada, Jordan, Mexico, the Niger and Slovenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/60/62-E/2005/10).

193. At its 34th meeting, on 21 July, an introductory statement was made by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and the Advancement of Women.

### **Action taken by the Council**

194. Under agenda item 14 (a), the Council adopted resolutions 2005/8, 2005/43, 2005/54 and decisions 2005/232, 2005/296 and 2005/299.

### **Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on the Status of Women**

#### **Situation of and assistance to Palestinian women**

195. At the 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Commission,<sup>13</sup> entitled "Situation of and assistance to Palestinian women", by a recorded vote of 46 to 2, with 4 abstentions. See Council resolution 2005/43. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Brazil, China, Colombia, Congo, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Australia, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

Canada, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Iceland, Nicaragua.

196. Before the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of the United States made a statement; after it was adopted, the observer for Palestine made a statement (see E/2005/SR.39).

#### **Situation of women and girls in Afghanistan**

197. At its 34th meeting, on 21 July, the Council adopted draft resolution II recommended by the Commission,<sup>13</sup> entitled "Situation of women and girls in Afghanistan". See Council resolution 2005/8.

### **Declaration of the Commission on the Status of Women on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women**

198. At its 34th meeting, on 21 July, the Council decided to transmit the declaration to the General Assembly and to the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly on the review of the Millennium Declaration. See Council decision 2005/232.

**Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-ninth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the fiftieth session of the Commission**

199. At its 39th meeting, on 26 July, the Council adopted the draft decision recommended by the Commission, entitled “Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its forty-ninth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the fiftieth session of the Commission”. See Council decision 2005/299.

**United Nations Development Fund for Women**

200. At the 34th meeting, on 21 July, the representative of Canada, on behalf also of Jordan,<sup>1</sup> Mexico, Niger<sup>1</sup> and Slovenia,<sup>1</sup> introduced a draft resolution entitled “United Nations Development Fund for Women” (E/2005/L.32).

201. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council had before it a draft resolution entitled “United Nations Development Fund for Women” (E/2005/L.44), submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Agim Nesho (Albania), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/2005/L.32.

202. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft resolution. See Council resolution 2005/54.

203. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution E/2005/L.44, draft resolution E/2005/L.32 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

**Documents considered by the Council under agenda item 14 (a)**

204. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council took note of the following documents:

(a) Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its thirty-second session (A/60/38 (Part I));

(b) Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women on the work of its second session (E/2005/75). See Council decision 2005/296.

**2. Social development**

205. The Council held a discussion on social development (item 14 (b)), at its 35th and 36th meetings, on 21 and 22 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.35 and 36). It had before it the report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-third session (E/2005/26, Supplement No. 6).

**Action taken by the Council**

206. Under this item, the Council adopted resolutions 2005/9, 2005/10, 2005/11 and decisions 2005/234, 2005/235, 2005/236.

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**Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-third session****Declaration on the tenth anniversary of the World Summit for Social Development**

207. At the 35th meeting, on 21 July, a statement was made by the representative of South Africa, followed by a statement by the Secretary.

208. At the same meeting, the Council decided to transmit to the General Assembly, at its sixtieth session, including the High-level Meeting of the Assembly, the “Declaration on the tenth anniversary of the World Summit for Social Development” contained in chapter I, section A of the report of the Commission.<sup>14</sup> See Council decision 2005/234.

**Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities and protection of their human rights**

209. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Commission,<sup>15</sup> entitled “Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities, and protection of their human rights”. See Council resolution 2005/9.

**Comprehensive and integral international convention to protect and promote the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities**

210. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution II recommended by the Commission,<sup>15</sup> entitled “Comprehensive and integral international convention to protect and promote the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities”. See Council resolution 2005/10.

**Future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development**

211. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution III recommended by the Commission,<sup>15</sup> entitled “Future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development”. See Council resolution 2005/11.

**Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-third session and provisional agenda and documentation for the forty-fourth session of the Commission**

212. At the same meeting, the Council adopted a draft decision recommended by the Commission,<sup>16</sup> entitled “Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-third session and provisional agenda and documentation for the forty-fourth session of the Commission”. See Council decision 2005/235.

**Confirmation of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development**

213. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted decision 43/101 recommended by the Commission<sup>17</sup> for confirmation by the Council, entitled “Nomination of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development”. See Council decision 2005/236.

### 3. Crime prevention and criminal justice

214. The Council held a discussion on crime prevention and criminal justice (item 14 (c)) at its 35th and 36th meetings, on 21 and 22 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.35 and 36). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its fourteenth session (E/2005/30, Supplement No. 10);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on capital punishment and implementation of the safeguards guaranteeing protection of the rights of those facing the death penalty (E/2005/3 and Add.1).

215. At the 35th meeting, on 21 July, an introductory statement was made by the Director of the Division for Treaty Affairs of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

#### **Action taken by the Council**

216. Under agenda item 14 (c), the Council adopted resolutions 2005/14, 2005/15, 2005/16, 2005/17, 2005/18, 2005/19, 2005/20, 2005/21, 2005/22 and 2005/23, and decisions 2005/246, 2005/247, 2005/248 and 2005/249.

#### **Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its fourteenth session**

217. At its 36th meeting, on 22 July, the observer for Switzerland made a statement as facilitator for the informal consultations on draft resolutions I to VI contained in chapter I, section A of the report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice<sup>18</sup> (see E/2005/SR.36).

218. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolutions I to VI contained in chapter I, section A of the Commission's report,<sup>18</sup> which the Commission had recommended for adoption, and decided not to recommend their adoption by the General Assembly. See Council decision 2005/246 and paragraphs 219 to 224 below.

#### **Model bilateral agreement on the sharing of confiscated proceeds of crime or property covered by the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988**

219. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section A of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled "Model bilateral agreement on the sharing of confiscated proceeds of crime or property covered by the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988", as orally revised. See Council resolution 2005/14.

**Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice**

220. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution II recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section A of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice”, as orally revised. See Council resolution 2005/15.

**Action against transnational organized crime: protection of witnesses**

221. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution III recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section A of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Action against transnational organized crime: protection of witnesses”, as orally revised. See Council resolution 2005/16.

**International cooperation in the fight against transnational organized crime**

222. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution IV recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section A of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “International cooperation in the fight against transnational organized crime”, as orally revised. See Council resolution 2005/17.

**Action against corruption: assistance to States in capacity-building with a view to facilitating the entry into force and subsequent implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption**

223. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution V recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section A of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Action against corruption: assistance to States in capacity-building with a view to facilitating the entry into force and subsequent implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption”, as orally revised. See Council resolution 2005/18.

**Strengthening international cooperation and technical assistance in promoting the implementation of the universal conventions and protocols related to terrorism within the framework of the activities of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime**

224. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution VI recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section A of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Strengthening international cooperation and technical assistance in promoting the implementation of the universal conventions and protocols related to terrorism within the framework of the activities of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime”, as orally revised. See Council resolution 2005/19.

**Guidelines on Justice in Matters involving Child Victims and Witnesses of Crime**

225. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section B of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Guidelines on Justice in Matters involving Child Victims and Witnesses of Crime”. See Council resolution 2005/20.

**Strengthening the technical cooperation capacity of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme in the area of the rule of law and criminal justice reform**

226. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution II recommended by the Commission, in chapter I, section B of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Strengthening the technical cooperation capacity of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme in the area of the rule of law and criminal justice reform”. See Council resolution 2005/21.

**Action to promote effective crime prevention**

227. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution III recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section B of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Action to promote effective crime prevention”. See Council resolution 2005/22.

**Strengthening reporting on crime**

228. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution IV recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section B of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Strengthening reporting on crime”. See Council resolution 2005/23.

**Report of the Secretary-General on capital punishment and the safeguards guaranteeing protection of the rights of those facing the death penalty**

229. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision I recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section C of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Report of the Secretary-General on capital punishment and the safeguards guaranteeing protection of the rights of those facing the death penalty”. See Council decision 2005/247.

**Round Table for Africa: crime and drugs as impediments to security and development in Africa: strengthening the rule of law**

230. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision II recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section C of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Round Table for Africa: crime and drugs as impediments to security and development in Africa: strengthening the rule of law”. See Council decision 2005/248.

**Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its fourteenth session and provisional agenda and documentation for its fifteenth session**

231. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision III recommended by the Commission in chapter I, section C of its report,<sup>18</sup> entitled “Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its fourteenth session and provisional agenda and documentation for its fifteenth session”. See Council decision 2005/249.

**4. Narcotic drugs**

232. The Council held a discussion on narcotic drugs (agenda item 14 (d)), at its 34th, 35th and 36th meetings, on 21 and 22 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.34, 35 and 36). It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-eighth session (E/2005/28, Supplement No. 8);

(b) Summary of the report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2004 (E/INCB/2004/1).

233. At the 34th meeting, on 21 July, the President of the International Narcotics Control Board addressed the Council.

### **Action taken by the Council**

234. Under agenda item 14 (d), the Council adopted resolutions 2005/24, 2005/25, 2005/26, 2005/27 and 2005/28 and decisions 2005/250 and 2005/251.

### **Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-eighth session**

235. At its 36th meeting, on 22 July, the Council had before it the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-eighth session.<sup>19</sup>

### **Providing support to Afghanistan with a view to ensuring effective implementation of its Counter-Narcotic Implementation Plan**

236. At the same meeting, the Council approved the draft resolution entitled “Providing support to Afghanistan with a view to ensuring effective implementation of its Counter-Narcotic Implementation Plan” contained in chapter I, section A of the report,<sup>19</sup> for transmittal to and adoption by the General Assembly. See Council resolution 2005/24.

### **Treatment of pain using opioid analgesics**

237. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Commission, entitled “Treatment of pain using opioid analgesics”, contained in chapter I, section B of the report.<sup>19</sup> See Council resolution 2005/25.

### **Demand for and supply of opiates used to meet medical and scientific needs**

238. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution II recommended by the Commission, entitled “Demand for and supply of opiates used to meet medical and scientific needs” contained in chapter I, section B of the report.<sup>19</sup> See Council resolution 2005/26.

### **International assistance to States affected by the transit of illicit drugs**

239. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution III recommended by the Commission, entitled “International assistance to States affected by the transit of illicit drugs”, contained in chapter I, section B of the report.<sup>19</sup> See Council resolution 2005/27.

### **Frequency of meetings of heads of national drug law enforcement agencies, Europe**

240. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft resolution IV recommended by the Commission, entitled “Frequency of meetings of heads of national drug law

enforcement agencies, Europe”, contained in chapter I, section B of the report.<sup>19</sup> See Council resolution 2005/28.

**Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-eighth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission**

241. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision I recommended by the Commission, entitled “Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its forty-eighth session and provisional agenda and documentation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission”, contained in chapter I, section C of the report. See Council decision 2005/250.

**Report of the International Narcotics Control Board**

242. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decision II recommended by the Commission, entitled “Report of the International Narcotics Control Board”, contained in chapter I, section C of the report.<sup>19</sup> See Council decision 2005/251.

## **5. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

243. The Council held a discussion on the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (agenda item 14 (e)) at its 35th and 36th meetings, on 21 and 22 July 2005 (see E/2005/SR.35 and 36). It had before it a letter dated 8 March 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (E/2005/46).

244. At the 35th meeting, on 21 July, the Director of the New York Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees made an introductory statement.

### **Action taken by the Council**

245. Under agenda item 14 (e), the Council adopted decision 2005/243.

### **Enlargement of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

246. At the 35th meeting, on 21 July, the observer for Jordan<sup>1</sup> introduced a draft decision entitled “Enlargement of the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees” (E/2005/L.17).

247. At its 36th meeting, on 22 July, the Council adopted the draft decision. See Council decision 2005/243.

## **6. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action**

248. No proposals were submitted on comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (agenda item 14 (f)).

## 7. Human rights

249. The Council considered the question of human rights at its resumed organizational session (agenda item 2) at its 9th meeting on 9 June 2005 and at its substantive session (agenda item 14 (g)) at its 37th and 38th meetings, on 22 and 25 July 2005. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its thirty-second and thirty-third sessions (E/2005/22, Supplement No. 2);

(b) Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its sixty-first session (E/2005/23 (Part I) and Corr.1) and programme budget implications thereof (E/2005/L.34);

(c) Letter dated 2 May 2005 from the Chairperson of the sixty-first session of the Commission on Human Rights addressed to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/2005/55);

(d) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (E/2005/65).

250. At the 37th meeting, on 22 July, the Director of the New York Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights made an introductory statement.

### Action taken by the Council

251. Under agenda item 14 (g), the Council adopted resolution 2005/30 and decisions 2005/217 and 2005/255 to 2005/296.

### Reform proposed by the Secretary-General in the area of human rights

252. At its 9th meeting, on 9 June, the Council had before it a draft decision entitled "Reform proposed by the Secretary-General in the area of human rights" (E/2005/L.11/Rev.1), submitted by the President of the Council on the basis of informal consultations held on decision 2005/116 of the Commission on Human Rights, as requested by the Chairperson of the Commission.<sup>20</sup>

253. At the same meeting, the Secretary read out a statement of programme budget implications of the draft decision (see E/2005/SR.9).

254. Also at its 9th meeting, the Council adopted draft decision E/2005/L.11/Rev.1. See Council decision 2005/217.

255. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of Cuba made a statement; after it was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.9).

### Recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Human Rights

256. At the 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Secretary read out corrections to document E/2005/L.34, which contained the programme budget implications of draft decisions 1 to 19, 23 to 35, 37, 39 and 40 recommended by the Commission on Human Rights in its report<sup>21</sup> and the draft decision recommended by the Commission in document E/2005/23 (Part I)/Corr.1.

**Basic Principles and Guidelines on the Right to a Remedy and Reparation for Victims of Gross Violations of International Human Rights Law and Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law**

257. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted a draft resolution recommended by the Commission,<sup>22</sup> entitled “Basic Principles and Guidelines on the Right to a Remedy and Reparation for Victims of Gross Violations of International Human Rights Law and Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law”, by a recorded vote of 43 to none, with 5 abstentions. See Council resolution 2005/30. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Guinea, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Namibia, Nicaragua, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

None.

*Abstaining:*

Australia, Germany, India, Nigeria, United States of America.

258. Before the draft resolution was adopted, statements were made by the representative of Germany and the observer for Chile; after it was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

**The use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination**

259. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 1 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “The use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination”, by a recorded vote of 29 to 18. See Council decision 2005/255. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Namibia, Nicaragua, Panama, Russian Federation, Senegal, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Albania, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Korea, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

### **The right to development**

260. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 2 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “The right to development”, by a recorded vote of 46 to 2, with 1 abstention. See Council decision 2005/256. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Australia, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

Japan.

### **Situation of human rights in Myanmar**

261. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 3 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Situation of human rights in Myanmar”. See Council decision 2005/257.

262. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of China and Cuba and the observer for Myanmar (see E/2005/SR.38).

### **Situation of human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea**

263. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 4 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Situation of human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea”. See Council decision 2005/258.

264. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of China and Cuba and the observer for the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (see E/2005/SR.38).

### **Situation of human rights in Belarus**

265. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 5 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Situation of human rights in Belarus”, by a recorded vote of 23 to 11, with 15 abstentions. See Council decision 2005/259. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Costa Rica, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Mexico, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

*Against:*

Armenia, China, Cuba, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Malaysia, Namibia, Pakistan, Russian Federation, South Africa.

*Abstaining:*

Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, Colombia, Congo, Ecuador, Guinea, Jamaica, Mauritius, Mozambique, Senegal, Thailand, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania.

266. Before the draft decision was adopted, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Cuba and China (see E/2005/SR.38).

**Effects of economic reform policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of all human rights**

267. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 6 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Effects of economic reform policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of all human rights”, by a recorded vote of 29 to 18, with 4 abstentions. See Council decision 2005/260. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, China, Colombia, Congo, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Albania, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Korea, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Costa Rica, Mexico.

**The right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health**

268. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 7 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “The right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health”, by a recorded vote of 50 to 1. See Council decision 2005/261. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

United States of America.

269. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

#### **Enforced or involuntary disappearances**

270. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 8 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Enforced or involuntary disappearances”. See Council decision 2005/262.

#### **Independence and impartiality of the judiciary, jurors and assessors and the independence of lawyers**

271. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 9 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Independence and impartiality of the judiciary, jurors and assessors and the independence of lawyers”. See Council decision 2005/263.

#### **The right to freedom of opinion and expression**

272. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 10 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “The right to freedom of opinion and expression”. See Council decision 2005/264.

#### **Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment**

273. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 11 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment”. See Council decision 2005/265.

#### **Elimination of violence against women**

274. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 12 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Elimination of violence against women”. See Council decision 2005/266.

#### **Human rights of migrants**

275. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 13 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Human rights of migrants”. See Council decision 2005/267.

#### **Working Group on Indigenous Populations of the Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights**

276. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 14 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Working Group on Indigenous Populations of the Subcommission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”, by a recorded vote of 32 to 17, with 1 abstention. See Council decision 2005/268. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Albania, Australia, Belgium, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Korea, South Africa, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

Denmark.

277. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

**Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights to elaborate a draft declaration in accordance with paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 49/214 of 23 December 1994**

278. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 15 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights to elaborate a draft declaration in accordance with paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 49/214 of 23 December 1994”, by a recorded vote of 49 to none, with 1 abstention. See Council decision 2005/269. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

None.

*Abstaining:*

United States of America.

279. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

**Human rights and indigenous issues**

280. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 16 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Human rights and indigenous issues”. See Council decision 2005/270.

### **Human rights and international solidarity**

281. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 17 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Human rights and international solidarity”, by a recorded vote of 32 to 18. See Council decision 2005/271. The voting was as follows:<sup>24</sup>

*In favour:*

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Albania, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Korea, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

### **World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action**

282. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 18 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action”. See Council decision 2005/272.

283. After the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

### **Human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises**

284. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 19 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises”, by a recorded vote of 47 to 3. See Council decision 2005/273. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Australia, South Africa, United States of America.

285. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

**Composition of the staff of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights**

286. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 20 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Composition of the staff of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights”, by a recorded vote of 32 to 18. See Council decision 2005/274. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Albania, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Korea, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

**Advisory services and technical assistance for Burundi**

287. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 21 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Advisory services and technical assistance for Burundi”. See Council decision 2005/275.

**Assistance to Sierra Leone in the field of human rights**

288. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 22 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Assistance to Sierra Leone in the field of human rights”. See Council decision 2005/276.

**Technical cooperation and advisory services in Nepal**

289. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 23 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Technical cooperation and advisory services in Nepal”. See Council decision 2005/277.

**Rights of persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities**

290. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 24 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Rights of persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities”. See Council decision 2005/278.

**Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism**

291. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 25 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism”. See Council decision 2005/279.

### **Situation of human rights in the Sudan**

292. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 26, recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Situation of human rights in the Sudan”. See Council decision 2005/280.

### **Assistance to Somalia in the field of human rights**

293. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 27 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Assistance to Somalia in the field of human rights”. See Council decision 2005/281.

### **Technical cooperation and advisory services in the Democratic Republic of the Congo**

294. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 28 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Technical cooperation and advisory services in the Democratic Republic of the Congo”. See Council decision 2005/282.

295. After the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

### **Corruption and its impact on the full enjoyment of human rights, in particular economic, social and cultural rights**

296. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 29 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Corruption and its impact on the full enjoyment of human rights, in particular economic, social and cultural rights”. See Council decision 2005/283.

### **Study on non-discrimination as enshrined in article 2, paragraph 2, of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights**

297. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 30 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Study on non-discrimination as enshrined in article 2, paragraph 2, of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights”. See Council decision 2005/284.

### **Promotion of the realization of the right to drinking water and sanitation**

298. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 31 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Promotion of the realization of the right to drinking water and sanitation”, by a recorded vote of 47 to 2. See Council decision 2005/285. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Japan, United States of America.

#### **Terrorism and human rights**

299. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 32 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Terrorism and human rights”, by a recorded vote of 33 to 2, with 14 abstentions. See Council decision 2005/286. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Australia, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

Albania, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Korea, Spain, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

#### **The difficulty of establishing guilt and/or responsibility with regard to crimes of sexual violence**

300. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 33 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “The difficulty of establishing guilt and/or responsibility with regard to crimes of sexual violence”. See Council decision 2005/287.

#### **Discrimination based on work and descent**

301. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 34 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Discrimination based on work and descent”. See Council decision 2005/288.

#### **Final report on the study on indigenous peoples’ permanent sovereignty over natural resources**

302. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 35 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Final report on the study on indigenous peoples’ permanent sovereignty over natural resources”, by a recorded vote of 33 to 2, with 15 abstentions. See Council decision 2005/289. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

Australia, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

Albania, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Korea, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

**Human rights and human responsibilities**

303. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council considered draft decision 36 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Human rights and human responsibilities”. The draft decision was rejected by a recorded vote of 25 to 23, with 2 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Bangladesh, Belize, China, Colombia, Congo, Cuba, Ecuador, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates.

*Against:*

Albania, Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Denmark, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Senegal, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

*Abstaining:*

Azerbaijan, United Republic of Tanzania.

304. Before the vote on the draft decision, statements were made by the representatives of China and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (on behalf of the European Union); after the vote, the representative of Thailand made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

**Enhancing and strengthening the effectiveness of the special procedures of the Commission on Human Rights**

305. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 37 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Enhancing and strengthening the effectiveness of the special procedures of the Commission on Human Rights”. See Council decision 2005/290.

**Dates of the sixty-second session of the Commission on Human Rights**

306. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 38 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Dates of the sixty-second session of the Commission on Human Rights”. See Council decision 2005/291.

**Organization of work of the sixty-second session of the Commission on Human Rights**

307. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 39 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Organization of work of the sixty-

second session of the Commission on Human Rights”, by a recorded vote of 48 to 1. See Council decision 2005/292. The voting was as follows:

*In favour:*

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Guinea, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, South Africa, Spain, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania.

*Against:*

United States of America.

308. Before the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement; after it was adopted, the representative of Japan made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

**Proposed reform of the Secretary-General in the area of human rights**

309. In the light of the adoption of Council decision 2005/217, entitled “Reform proposed by the Secretary-General in the area of human rights”, at the 9th meeting on 9 June (see paras. 252-255 above), no action was required by the Council on draft decision 40 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Proposed reform of the Secretary-General in the area of human rights”.

**Technical cooperation in the field of human rights in Afghanistan**

310. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 41 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Technical cooperation in the field of human rights in Afghanistan”. See Council decision 2005/293.

**Situation of human rights in Haiti**

311. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted draft decision 42 recommended by the Commission,<sup>23</sup> entitled “Situation of human rights in Haiti”. See Council decision 2005/294.

**Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide**

312. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council adopted the draft decision recommended by the Commission,<sup>25</sup> entitled “Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide”. See Council decision 2005/295.

**Documents considered under agenda item 14 (g)**

313. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council took note of the following documents:

- (a) Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its thirty-second and thirty-third sessions (E/2005/22, Supplement No. 2);

(b) Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its sixty-first session (E/2005/23 (Part I) and Corr.1);

(c) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (E/2005/65).

See Council decision 2005/296.

314. Before the decision was taken, statements were made by the representative of Cuba and the observer for Switzerland; after it was taken, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.38).

## **8. Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**

315. The Council considered agenda item 14 (h) at its 37th and 38th meetings, on 22 and 25 July 2005. It had before it the report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fourth session (E/2005/43, Supplement No. 23 and Corr.2);

### **Action taken by the Council**

316. Under sub-item 14 (h), the Council adopted decisions 2005/252 to 2005/254 and 2005/296.

### **Recommendations contained in the report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**

#### **International expert group meeting on the Millennium Development Goals, indigenous participation and good governance**

317. At the 37th meeting, on 22 July, the Secretary of the Council read out a statement regarding the programme budget implications of draft decision I recommended by the Permanent Forum,<sup>26</sup> entitled “International expert group meeting on the Millennium Development Goals, indigenous participation and good governance” (see E/2005/SR.37).

318. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft decision. See Council decision 2005/252.

#### **Venue and dates for the fifth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**

319. At its 37th meeting, on 22 July, the Council adopted draft decision II recommended by the Permanent Forum,<sup>26</sup> entitled “Venue and dates for the fifth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues”. See Council decision 2005/253.

#### **Provisional agenda and documentation for the fifth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**

320. At its 37th meeting, on 22 July, the Council adopted draft decision III recommended by the Permanent Forum,<sup>26</sup> entitled “Provisional agenda and documentation for the fifth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues”. See Council decision 2005/254.

321. After the draft decision was adopted, the representative of the United States made a statement (see E/2005/SR.37).

#### **Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fourth session**

322. At its 38th meeting, on 25 July, the Council decided to take note of the report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fourth session (E/2005/43, Supplement No. 23). See Council decision 2005/296.

323. Before the decision was taken, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Colombia and the observer for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (see E/2005/SR.38).

#### *Notes*

<sup>1</sup> In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

<sup>2</sup> In accordance with General Assembly resolution 52/250.

<sup>3</sup> See E/2005/32 (Part I) and Corr.1, chap. I.

<sup>4</sup> See E/2005/32 (Part II), chap. I.A.

<sup>5</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 9* (E/2005/29), chap. I.A.

<sup>6</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. I.B.

<sup>7</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 11* (E/2005/31), chap. I.A.

<sup>8</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. I.B.

<sup>9</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 4* (E/2005/24), chap. I.A.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. I.B.

<sup>11</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 5* (E/2005/25), chap. I.A.

<sup>12</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 22* (E/2005/42), chap. I.A.

<sup>13</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 7* (E/2005/27 and Corr.1), chap. I.B.

<sup>14</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 6* (E/2005/26).

<sup>15</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. I, sect. B.

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, sect. C.

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid.*, sect. D.

<sup>18</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 10* (E/2005/30).

<sup>19</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 8* (E/2005/28).

<sup>20</sup> See E/2005/55 and draft decision 40 contained in the report of the Commission on Human Rights (E/2005/23 (Part I)).

<sup>21</sup> E/2005/23 (Part I).

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. I, sect. A.

<sup>23</sup> Ibid., sect. B.

<sup>24</sup> The delegation of the United Arab Emirates subsequently indicated that, had it been present during the vote, it would have voted in favour of the draft resolution.

<sup>25</sup> E/2005/23 (Part I)/Corr.1.

<sup>26</sup> See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2005, Supplement No. 23 (E/2005/43)*, chap. I, sect. A.

## Chapter VIII

### **Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments**

1. The Council considered the question of elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments at its organizational and resumed organizational sessions (agenda item 4) at its 2nd, 4th, 7th and 9th meetings, on 4 February, 31 March, 27 April and 9 June 2005, and at its substantive session (agenda item 1) at its 34th meeting, on 21 July. An account of the proceedings is contained in the relevant summary records (E/2005/SR.2, 4, 7, 9 and 34). The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Agenda for the resumed organizational session for 2005 (E/2005/2/Add.1 and Corr.1);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of members of the functional commissions of the Council (E/2005/9 and Corr.1);

(c) Note by the Secretary-General on the appointment of a new member to the Committee for Development Policy (E/2005/9/Add.1);

(d) Note by the Secretary-General on the nomination of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (E/2005/9/Add.2);

(e) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of twenty-one members of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting (E/2005/9/Add.3);

(f) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of eleven members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (E/2005/9/Add.4);

(g) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of eleven members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund (E/2005/9/Add.5);

(h) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of six members of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (E/2005/9/Add.6);

(i) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of five members of the Programme Coordination Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (UNAIDS) (E/2005/9/Add.7);

(j) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of a member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/2005/9/Add.8);

(k) Note by the Secretary-General on an application for membership in the Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (E/2005/9/Add.9);

(l) Note by the Secretary-General on the appointment of 24 experts to the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (E/2005/9/Add.10 and 12);

(m) Note by the Secretary-General on the appointment of members of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (E/2005/9/Add.11).

**Action taken by the Council**

2. Under agenda item 4, the Council adopted decisions 2005/201 A, B, C and D.
3. Under agenda item 1, the Council adopted decision 2005/201 E.

## Chapter IX

### Organizational matters

1. The Council held its organizational session for 2005 at United Nations Headquarters on 19 January, 4 February, 1 and 31 March 2005 (1st to 4th meetings); its resumed organizational session at United Nations Headquarters on 27 and 28 April and 9 June (7th, 8th and 9th meetings); its special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at United Nations Headquarters on 18 April (5th and 6th meetings); its substantive session at United Nations Headquarters from 29 June to 27 July 2005 (10th to 40th meetings); and its resumed substantive session at United Nations Headquarters on \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ meetings).

#### A. Organizational session

##### Opening of the Council

2. The 1st meeting, on 19 January 2005, was opened by the President of the Council for 2004, Marjatta Rasi (Finland). Upon election, the President of the Council for 2005, Munir Akram (Pakistan), made a statement.

##### Election of the Bureau

3. At its 1st and 4th meetings, on 19 January and 31 March, pursuant to paragraph 2 (k) of its resolution 1988/77, the Council elected by acclamation the following persons as Vice-Presidents of the Council for 2005: Ali Hachani (Tunisia), Agim Nesho (Albania), Jaime Moncayo (Ecuador) and Johan C. Verbeke (Belgium).

##### Agenda

4. At its 1st meeting, on 19 January, the Council considered the agenda of its organizational session. It had before it the provisional agenda (E/2005/2 and Corr.1).

5. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the agenda of the organizational session (see annex I).

##### Action taken by the Council

6. At its organizational session for 2005, the Council adopted 12 decisions and three resolutions concerning organizational matters. See Council resolutions 2005/1 to 2005/3 and decisions 2005/202 to 2005/213.

##### Basic programme of work of the Council

7. At its 2nd meeting, on 4 February, the Council considered its basic programme of work for 2005 and 2006. It had before it a note by the Secretary-General containing the proposed basic programme of work for the Council for 2005 and 2006 (E/2005/1) and the draft proposals thereon submitted by the President of the

Council and members of the Bureau on the basis of informal consultations held pursuant to paragraph 2 (1) of Council decision 1988/77 (E/2005/L.1).

8. At the same meeting, the Council adopted draft decisions I, II and III. See Council decisions 2005/202 to 2005/204.

**Operational activities segment of the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council**

9. At its 2nd meeting, on 4 February, the Council decided that the work of the operational activities segment of its substantive session of 2005 would be devoted to the progress on and implementation of General Assembly resolution 59/250 of 22 December 2004 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system. See Council decision 2005/205.

**Theme for the regional cooperation item of the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council**

10. At its 2nd meeting, the Council decided that the theme for the item on regional cooperation at its substantive session of 2005 would be: "Achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration: a regional perspective". See Council decision 2005/206.

**Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations**

11. At its 2nd meeting, the Council decided to grant consultative status with the Council to 87 non-governmental organizations. See Council decision 2005/207.

**Matters pertaining to reinstatement of the consultative status of non-governmental organizations in cases where consultative status was suspended by the Economic and Social Council**

12. At its 2nd meeting, the Council decided to request the Asociación para la Paz Continental, a non-governmental organization suspended in 2000 from its consultative status with the Council, to submit an updated application for consultative status, which the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations would examine at a future session. See Council decision 2005/208.

**Organization of work of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations for its 2005 regular session**

13. At its 2nd meeting, the Council decided that the two days not used by the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations at its 2005 regular session would be added to its two-week resumed session to be held in May 2005, on the understanding that conference services for those two days would be provided on an as-available basis. See Council decision 2005/209.

**Working arrangements for the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council**

14. At its 3rd meeting, on 1 March, the Council decided on the following working arrangements for its substantive session of 2005:

(a) Substantive segments:

(i) The high-level segment would be held from 29 June to 1 July 2005;

(ii) The coordination segment would be held from 5 to 7 July 2005;

(iii) The operational activities segment would be held from 8 to 12 July 2005;

(iv) The humanitarian affairs segment would be held from 13 to 18 July 2005;

(v) The general segment would be held from 18 to 25 July 2005;

(vi) The Council would conclude its work on 26 and 27 July 2005;

(b) Dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions: the dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions would be held immediately after the high-level segment of the substantive session of the Council, on the morning of 5 July 2005;

(c) Issue of transition from relief to development: the Council would consider holding an event to discuss the issue of transition from relief to development and would hold further consultations in that regard, including on the possible format and modalities of such an event.<sup>1</sup>

See Council decision 2005/210.

**Date of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development**

15. At its 3rd meeting, on 1 March, the Council decided that the special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development would be held at Headquarters on 18 April 2005. See Council decision 2005/211.

**Theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of the substantive session of 2005 of the Economic and Social Council**

16. At its 4th meeting, on 31 March, the Council decided:

(a) That the theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of its substantive session of 2005 would be “Strengthening of the coordination of the United Nations humanitarian assistance, including capacity as well as organizational aspects”;

(b) That it would also convene a panel on the theme “Lessons learned from the recent earthquake/tsunami Indian Ocean disaster”.

See Council decision 2005/212.

**Improvement of the work of the Commission on Population and Development**

17. At its 4th meeting, on 31 March, the Council, in order to improve the work of the Commission on Population and Development, decided:

(a) With effect from the thirty-eighth regular session of the Commission, to be held from 4 to 8 April 2005, that, immediately following the closure of each regular session, the Commission would hold the first meeting of its subsequent regular session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chairman and other members of the Bureau, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council;

(b) That the terms of office of the members of the Commission would be for four regular sessions of the Commission, to begin immediately after the conclusion of the Commission's regular session held after 1 January, following their election by the Council, and to end at the conclusion of the regular session held after 1 January, following the election of the States that were to succeed them as members of the Commission, unless they were re-elected;

(c) To extend to the conclusion of the thirty-ninth regular session of the Commission the terms of office of members of the Commission that were to expire on 31 December 2005; to extend to the conclusion of the fortieth regular session of the Commission the terms of office of members of the Commission that were to expire on 31 December 2006; to extend to the conclusion of the forty-first regular session of the Commission the terms of office of members of the Commission that were to expire on 31 December 2007; and to extend to the conclusion of the forty-second regular session of the Commission the terms of office of members of the Commission that were to expire on 31 December 2008;

(d) That the pertinent provisions of General Assembly resolution 1798 (XVII) of 11 December 1962 would apply only to the substantive part of the session of the Commission.

See Council decision 2005/213.

#### **Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi**

18. At its 3rd meeting, on 1 March, the Council decided to consider the reports of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi at its substantive session of 2005 and requested that the report of the Group to that session describe, *inter alia*, how the Group had fulfilled its mandate. See Council resolution 2005/1. Subsequently, at its substantive session, in its resolution 2005/33, the Council decided that the work of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi would be reviewed at the substantive session of 2006, with a view to considering whether to continue the mandate of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group based on the Council's consideration of the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group, which should be submitted no later than six weeks before the start of the substantive session of 2006 (see above, chap. VII, paras. 54-57).

#### **Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau**

19. At its 3rd meeting, on 1 March, the Council decided to extend the mandate of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau until the substantive session of 2005 and requested that, in its report to the Council at that session, the Group describe how it had fulfilled its mandate. The Council also decided to consider the reports of the Advisory Group at its substantive session of 2005. See Council resolution 2005/2. Subsequently, at its substantive session, in its resolution 2005/32, the Council decided, in the light of the current situation in Guinea-Bissau, to extend the mandate of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group until the substantive session of 2006, with

the understanding that the decision on whether to renew its mandate would be based on the Council's consideration of the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau, which should be submitted no later than six weeks before the start of the substantive session of 2006, and of the situation prevailing in Guinea-Bissau at that time (see above, chap. VII, paras. 58-61).

#### **Public administration and development**

20. At its 4th meeting, on 31 March, the Council requested the Secretary-General to focus the work of the Organization on public administration according to the recommendations contained in its decision 2004/302 of 23 July 2004, General Assembly resolution 58/231 of 23 December 2003 and the report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its third session, in particular those aimed at strengthening the human capital in the public sector, facilitating access to information and best practices, promoting good governance and accountability in public administration, at the national and international levels, and strengthening public administration institutions in developing countries, in particular the least developed countries, and encouraged the Secretary-General to continue his consultations with Member States on a regular basis on the nomination of members of the Committee, keeping in mind Council resolution 2001/45 and its annex. The Council also encouraged the United Nations system and Member States to celebrate United Nations Public Service Day in a more visible manner, and invited Member States to nominate candidates for the United Nations Public Service Awards. See Council resolution 2005/3.

### **B. Resumed organizational session**

#### **Agenda**

21. At its 8th meeting, on 28 April, the Council had before it the agenda of its resumed organizational session (E/2005/2 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1).

#### **Action taken by the Council**

22. At its resumed organizational session for 2005, the Council adopted six decisions concerning organizational matters. See Council decisions 2005/214 to 2005/219.

#### **Implementation of resolutions concerning the participation of associate member countries of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in the follow-up to United Nations world conferences and in the work of the Economic and Social Council**

23. At its 8th meeting, on 28 April, the Council decided to defer to its substantive session of 2005, under agenda item 10, "Regional cooperation", its consideration of draft resolution III, entitled, "Implementation of resolutions concerning the participation of associate member countries of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in the follow-up to United Nations world conferences and in the work of the Economic and Social Council".<sup>2</sup> See Council decision 2005/214. Subsequently, at the substantive session, by its decision 2005/302, the

Council decided to note receipt of the resolution and not to take action on the matter (see above, chap. VII, para. 90).

**Participation of intergovernmental organizations in the work of the Economic and Social Council**

24. At its 8th meeting, on 28 April, the Council decided to include in the agenda of its substantive session of 2005, for its consideration, the request of the Global Water Partnership Organization to participate as an observer in the work of the Council. See Council decision 2005/215. Subsequently, at its substantive session, the Council approved the application of the Global Water Partnership Organization to participate in the work of the Council, in accordance with rule 79 of its rules of procedure. See Council decision 2005/233.

**Economic and Social Council event to consider the issue of the transition from relief to development**

25. At its 8th meeting, on 28 April, the Council decided to hold an event on the morning of Wednesday, 13 July 2005, entitled “Economic and Social Council event to consider the issue of the transition from relief to development”, on an informal basis, as follows:

(a) A brief presentation would be followed by interactive discussions with interested delegations;

(b) There would be a Chairperson’s summary but no negotiated outcome document;

(c) A brief reference to the event would be included in the report of the Economic and Social Council;

and accordingly decided that the operational activities segment would conclude its work on the afternoon of 12 July 2005 and the humanitarian segment would begin its work on the afternoon of 13 July 2005. See Council decision 2005/216.

**Reform proposed by the Secretary-General in the area of human rights**

26. At its 9th meeting, on 9 June, the Council:

(a) Bearing in mind General Assembly resolutions 59/145 of 17 December 2004 and 59/291 of 15 April 2005, in which the Assembly, inter alia, requested the President of the General Assembly to continue to hold open, inclusive and transparent consultations with all Member States with a view to reaching the broadest possible agreement on all major issues relating to the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly to be held in September 2005, and also taking note of Commission on Human Rights decision 2005/116 of 22 April 2005, decided to request the Chairperson of the Commission on Human Rights to organize, at the Commission’s sixty-first session, an open-ended informal consultation of up to two days to reflect on the recommendations on human rights contained in the report of the Secretary-General entitled “In larger freedom: towards development, security and human rights for all”<sup>3</sup> with a view to contributing to the intergovernmental deliberations to be held in the Assembly on the proposed reform of the United Nations;

(b) To that end also decided to authorize the Chairperson to prepare a summary of the informal consultation by 15 June 2005 to be transmitted to the President of the General Assembly through the President of the Economic and Social Council (A/59/847-E/2005/73).

See Council decision 2005/217.

### **Multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council**

27. At its 9th meeting, on 9 June, the Council decided to defer to the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2005 its consideration of the multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of the Council. See Council decision 2005/218. Subsequently, at its substantive session, the Council adopted the theme for the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2006 and the multi-year programme for the coordination segment. See Council decision 2005/221.

### **Participation of intergovernmental organizations in the work of the Council**

28. At its 9th meeting, on 9 June, the Council decided to include in the agenda of its substantive session of 2005, for its consideration, the request of the Union économique et monétaire ouest africaine to participate as an observer in the work of the Council. See Council decision 2005/219. Subsequently, at its substantive session, the Council approved the application of the Union économique et monétaire ouest africaine to participate in the work of the Council, in accordance with rule 79 of its rules of procedure. See Council decision 2005/233.

## **C. Substantive session**

### **Action taken by the Council**

29. At its substantive session of 2005, the Council adopted four decisions concerning organizational matters. See Council decisions 2005/220, 2005/221, 2005/233 and 2005/300.

### **Agenda**

30. At its 10th meeting, on 29 June, the Council considered the agenda and organization of work of its substantive session of 2005. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Annotated provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2005 (E/2005/100);

(b) Proposed programme of work for the substantive session of 2005 (E/2005/L.9);

(c) Note by the Secretariat on the status of documentation for the session (E/2005/L.10);

(d) Updated status of documentation for the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council for 2005 (CRP.2).

31. At the same meeting, the Council adopted the agenda for its substantive session of 2005 (see annex I) and approved the programme of work of the session. See Council decision 2005/220.

#### **Requests from non-governmental organization for hearings**

32. At its 10th meeting, the Council approved the requests made by non-governmental organizations to be heard by the Council (see E/2005/76) at its substantive session of 2005, in connection with the items on the Council's agenda for that session. See Council decision 2005/220.

#### **Theme for the coordination segment of the substantive session of 2006 of the Economic and Social Council and multi-year work programme for the coordination segment**

33. At its 17th meeting, on 6 July 2005, the Council:

(a) Decided to adopt the following theme for the coordination segment of its substantive session of 2006:

“Sustained economic growth for social development, including the eradication of poverty and hunger”;

(b) Also decided that the establishment and implementation of a multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of its substantive session would be guided by the following considerations:

(i) The role and functions of the coordination segment as identified in General Assembly resolution 45/264 of 13 May 1991, namely, the coordination of the activities of the specialized agencies, organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system in the economic, social and related fields, in accordance with Articles 63 and 64 of the Charter of the United Nations;

(ii) That the multi-year work programme for the coordination segment should contribute to the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences in the economic, social and related fields, in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 50/227 of 24 May 1996 and 57/270 B of 23 June 2003;

(c) Further decided to continue consultations on a multi-year work programme for the coordination segment, with a view to finalizing the work programme before the beginning of the substantive session of 2006 of the Economic and Social Council.

See Council decision 2005/221.

#### **Participation of intergovernmental organizations in the work of the Economic and Social Council**

34. At its 34th meeting, on 21 July, the Council decided to grant observer status with the Council to two intergovernmental organizations: Global Water partnership (see E/2005/49) and Union économique et monétaire ouest africaine (see E/2005/64). See Council decision 233. See also Council decisions 2005/215 and 2005/219 adopted at the resumed organizational session (see sect. B, paras. 24 and 28 above).

**Theme for the 2006 high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council**

35. At its 40th meeting, on 27 July, the Council decided to defer consideration of the theme for the 2006 high-level segment to a later date. See Council decision 2005/300.

*Notes*

<sup>1</sup> See also Council decision 2005/216.

<sup>2</sup> As contained in document E/2004/15/Add.2.

<sup>3</sup> A/59/2005 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3.

## Annex I

### **Agendas of the organizational and resumed organizational sessions for 2005 and the substantive session of 2005**

#### **Agenda of the organizational and resumed organizational sessions for 2005**

##### **Adopted by the Council at its 1st meeting, on 19 January 2005**

1. Election of the Bureau.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Basic programme of work of the Council.
4. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments.

#### **Agenda of the substantive session of 2005**

##### **Adopted by the Council at its 10th meeting, on 29 June 2005**

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

##### **High-level segment**

2. Achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration, as well as implementing the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits: progress made, challenges and opportunities.

##### **Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment**

3. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation:
  - (a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council;
  - (b) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme;
  - (c) South-South cooperation for development.

##### **Coordination segment**

4. Towards achieving internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration.

##### **Humanitarian affairs segment**

5. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance.

**General segment**

6. Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits:
  - (a) Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development;
  - (b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010.
7. Coordination, programme and other questions:
  - (a) Reports of coordination bodies;
  - (b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007;
  - (c) International cooperation in the field of informatics;
  - (d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti;
  - (e) Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system;
  - (f) Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force;
  - (g) Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS);
  - (h) Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict;
  - (i) Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields.
8. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B and 57/270 B.
9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations.
10. Regional cooperation.
11. Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan.
12. Non-governmental organizations.
13. Economic and environmental questions:
  - (a) Sustainable development;
  - (b) Science and technology for development;
  - (c) Statistics;
  - (d) Human settlements;
  - (e) Environment;
  - (f) Population and development;
  - (g) Public administration and development;
  - (h) International cooperation in tax matters;

- (i) United Nations Forum on Forests;
  - (j) Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions;
  - (k) Cartography;
  - (l) Women and development;
  - (m) Transport of dangerous goods.
14. Social and human rights questions:
- (a) Advancement of women;
  - (b) Social development;
  - (c) Crime prevention and criminal justice;
  - (d) Narcotic drugs;
  - (e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;
  - (f) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action;
  - (g) Human rights;
  - (h) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

## **Annex II**

### **Intergovernmental organizations designated by the Council under rule 79 of the rules of procedure<sup>a</sup> for participation in the deliberations of the Council on questions within the scope of their activities**

#### **Organizations and other entities accorded permanent observer status by the General Assembly**

African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (General Assembly resolution 36/4)

African Development Bank (General Assembly resolution 42/10)

African Union<sup>b</sup> (General Assembly resolution 2011 (XX) and Assembly decision 56/475)

Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (General Assembly resolution 43/6)

Andean Community (General Assembly resolution 52/6)

Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (General Assembly resolution 35/2)

Asian Development Bank (General Assembly resolution 57/30)

Association of Caribbean States (General Assembly resolution 53/5)

Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (General Assembly resolution 54/5)

Caribbean Community (General Assembly resolution 46/8)

Central American Integration System (General Assembly resolution 50/2)

Commonwealth of Independent States (General Assembly resolution 48/237)

Commonwealth Secretariat (General Assembly resolution 31/3)

Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries (General Assembly resolution 54/10)

Community of Sahelo-Saharan States (General Assembly resolution 56/92)

Council of Europe (General Assembly resolution 44/6)

Customs Cooperation Council (General Assembly resolution 53/216)

East African Community (General Assembly resolution 58/86)

Eurasian Economic Community (General Assembly resolution 58/84)

Economic Community of Central African States (General Assembly resolution 55/161)

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<sup>a</sup> The text of rule 79, entitled "Participation of other intergovernmental organizations" reads: "Representatives of intergovernmental organizations accorded permanent observer status by the General Assembly and of other intergovernmental organizations designated on an ad hoc or a continuing basis by the Council on the recommendation of the Bureau may participate, without the right to vote, in the deliberations of the Council on questions within the scope of the activities of the organizations".

<sup>b</sup> Superseding the Organization of African Unity.

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Economic Cooperation Organization (General Assembly resolution 48/2)  
European Community (General Assembly resolution 3208 (XXIX))  
GUUAM (General Assembly resolution 58/85)  
Holy See (General Assembly resolution 58/314)  
Inter-American Development Bank (General Assembly resolution 55/160)  
International Centre for Migration Policy Development (General Assembly resolution 57/31)  
International Committee of the Red Cross (General Assembly resolution 45/6)  
International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) (General Assembly resolution 51/1)  
International Development Law Institute (General Assembly resolution 56/90)  
International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (General Assembly resolution 49/2)  
International Hydrographic Organization (General Assembly resolution 56/91)  
International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance in the General Assembly (General Assembly resolution 58/83)  
International Organization of la Francophonie (General Assembly resolution 33/18)  
International Organization for Migration (General Assembly resolution 47/4)  
International Seabed Authority (General Assembly resolution 51/6)  
International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (General Assembly resolution 51/204)  
International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (General Assembly resolution 54/195)  
Inter-Parliamentary Union (General Assembly resolution 57/32)  
Latin American Economic System (SELA) (General Assembly resolution 35/3)  
Latin American Parliament (General Assembly resolution 48/4)  
League of Arab States (General Assembly resolution 477 (V))  
Organization of American States (General Assembly resolution 253 (III))  
Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (General Assembly resolution 53/6)  
Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (General Assembly resolution 48/5)  
Organization of the Islamic Conference (General Assembly resolution 3369 (XXX))  
Pacific Islands Forum (General Assembly resolution 49/1)  
Palestine (General Assembly resolution 52/250)  
Partners in Population and Development (General Assembly resolution 57/29)  
Permanent Court of Arbitration (General Assembly resolution 48/3)  
Sovereign Military Order of Malta (General Assembly resolution 48/265)

## **Organizations designated by the Economic and Social Council**

### **Participation on a continuing basis**

African Regional Centre for Technology (Council decision 1980/151)

Asian and Pacific Development Centre (Council decision 2000/213)

Asian Productivity Organization (APO) (Council decision 1980/114)

Common Fund for Commodities (Council decision 2003/221)

Council of Arab Economic Unity (Council decision 109 (LIX))

Global Water Partnership (Council decision 2005/233)

Helsinki Commission (Council decision 2003/312)

International Association of Economic and Social Councils and Similar Institutions (IAESCSI) (Council decision 2001/318)

International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (Council decision 1997/215)

International Centre for Public Enterprises in Developing Countries (ICPE) (Council decision 1980/114)

Institution for the Use of Micro-alga Spirulina against Malnutrition (Council decision 2003/212)

Islamic Development Bank (Council decision 2003/221)

Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Council decision 2003/221)

Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE) (Council decision 1980/114)

Organization of Ibero-American States for Education, Science and Culture (Council decision 1986/156)

Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Council decision 109 (LIX))

Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment (Council decision 1992/265)

Union économique et monétaire ouest africaine (Council decision 2005/233)

Union of Economic and Social Councils of Africa (Council decision 1996/225)

World Deserts Foundation (Council decision 2004/231)

World Tourism Organization (Council decision 109 (LIX))

### **Participation on an ad hoc basis**

African Accounting Council (Council decision 1987/161)

African Cultural Institute (Council decision 1987/161)

Arab Security Studies and Training Centre (Council decision 1989/165)

Council of Arab Ministers of the Interior (Council decision 1987/161)

International Bauxite Association (Council decision 1987/161)

International Civil Defence Organization (Council decision 109 (LIX))

Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (Council decision 239 (LXII))

## Annex III

### Composition of the Council and its subsidiary and related bodies

#### Economic and Social Council

(54 members; three-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Albania	Albania .....	2007
Armenia	Armenia .....	2006
Australia	Australia .....	2007
Azerbaijan	Bangladesh.....	2006
Bangladesh	Belgium .....	2006
Belgium	Belize.....	2006
Belize	Brazil .....	2007
Benin	Canada .....	2006
Brazil	Chad.....	2007
Canada	China .....	2007
Chad	Colombia .....	2006
China	Costa Rica.....	2007
Colombia	Democratic Republic of the Congo .....	2007
Congo	Denmark .....	2007
Costa Rica	Guinea .....	2007
Cuba	Iceland .....	2007
Democratic Republic of the Congo	India.....	2007
Denmark	Indonesia.....	2006
Ecuador	Italy .....	2006
France	Lithuania.....	2007
Germany	Mauritius.....	2006
Guinea	Mexico .....	2007
Iceland	Namibia .....	2006
India	Nigeria .....	2006
Indonesia	Pakistan .....	2007
Ireland	Panama .....	2006
Italy	Poland.....	2006
Jamaica	Republic of Korea.....	2006
Japan	Russian Federation.....	2007
Kenya	South Africa.....	2007
Lithuania	Thailand.....	2007
Malaysia	Tunisia .....	2006
Mauritius	United Arab Emirates.....	2006

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<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Mexico	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2007
Mozambique	United Republic of Tanzania .....	2006
Namibia	United States of America .....	2006
Nicaragua		
Nigeria		
Pakistan		
Panama		
Poland		
Republic of Korea		
Russian Federation		
Saudi Arabia		
Senegal		
South Africa		
Spain <sup>b</sup>		
Thailand		
Tunisia		
Turkey		
United Arab Emirates		
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland		
United Republic of Tanzania		
United States of America		

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## Functional commissions and subcommissions

### Statistical Commission

(24 members; four-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	Canada .....	2009
Cape Verde	Cape Verde .....	2007
China	China .....	2008
Colombia	Colombia .....	2008
Costa Rica	Croatia .....	2007
Croatia	Cuba .....	2007
Cuba	Democratic Republic of the Congo .....	2009
Denmark	Finland .....	2009
Germany	France .....	2009
Ghana	Germany .....	2008
Hungary	Hungary .....	2008
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....	2007
Japan	Jamaica .....	2009
Kenya	Japan .....	2008
Mexico	Kenya .....	2007
Netherlands	Mauritania .....	2009
New Zealand	Mexico .....	2008
Republic of Korea	Netherlands .....	2008
Russian Federation	Republic of Korea .....	2007
South Africa	Russian Federation .....	2009
Spain	South Africa .....	2009
Ukraine	Ukraine .....	2007
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2008
United States of America	United States of America .....	2007

## Commission on Population and Development<sup>c</sup>

(47 members; four-year term)

<i>Membership of the thirty-eighth session<sup>d</sup></i>	<i>Membership of the thirty-ninth session</i>	<i>Term expires at close of session in the year</i>
Armenia	Armenia .....	2008
Bangladesh	Bangladesh.....	2009
Belgium	Belgium .....	2009
Bolivia	Bolivia .....	2007
Botswana	Botswana .....	2006
Brazil	Brazil .....	2009
Bulgaria	Bulgaria .....	2009
Cameroon	Cameroon.....	2009
Canada	Canada .....	2009
China	China .....	2006
Comoros	Comoros .....	2009
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Democratic Republic of the Congo .....	2007
El Salvador	El Salvador .....	2007
France	France .....	2008
Gambia	Gambia .....	2006
Germany	Germany .....	2009
Guyana	Guyana.....	2009
Hungary	Haiti <sup>d</sup> .....	2008
India	Hungary .....	2007
Indonesia	India.....	2006
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Indonesia.....	2009
Ireland	Iran (Islamic Republic of).....	2007
Jamaica	Ireland.....	2006
Japan	Jamaica .....	2006
Kenya	Japan.....	2008
Lebanon <sup>e</sup>	Kenya.....	2008
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Lebanon .....	2006
Luxembourg	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya .....	2008
Madagascar	Luxembourg.....	2007
Malaysia	Madagascar.....	2008
Mauritania	Malaysia .....	2009
Mexico	Mauritania.....	2007
Morocco	Mexico .....	2006
Netherlands	Morocco.....	2009
	Netherlands.....	2008

<i>Membership of the thirty-eighth session<sup>d</sup></i>	<i>Membership of the thirty-ninth session</i>	<i>Term expires at close of session in the year</i>
Nicaragua	Nicaragua.....	2006
Nigeria	Nigeria.....	2006
Norway	Pakistan.....	2008
Pakistan	Peru.....	2009
Peru	Philippines.....	2007
Philippines	Poland.....	2006
Poland	Russian Federation.....	2006
Russian Federation	Sweden <sup>g</sup> .....	2006
Switzerland	Switzerland.....	2009
Thailand <sup>f</sup>	Thailand.....	2006
United States of America	United States of America.....	2006
Zambia	Zambia.....	2006

## Commission for Social Development

(46 members; four-year term)

<i>Membership of the forty-third session</i>	<i>Membership of the forty-fourth session</i>	<i>Term expires at close of session in the year</i>
Argentina	Angola.....	2009
Austria	Argentina.....	2007
Bangladesh	Bangladesh.....	2009
Bulgaria	Bolivia.....	2009
Central African Republic	Central African Republic.....	2007
Chile	Chile.....	2008
China	China.....	2009
Comoros	Côte d'Ivoire.....	2008
Côte d'Ivoire	Czech Republic.....	2009
Czech Republic	Democratic People's Republic of Korea.....	2009
Denmark	Democratic Republic of the Congo.....	2009
Dominican Republic	Dominican Republic.....	2007
El Salvador	Ethiopia.....	2008
Ethiopia	Finland.....	2009
France	France.....	2008
Gabon	Germany.....	2008
Germany	Haiti.....	2008
Haiti	India.....	2007
India	Indonesia.....	2008

<i>Membership of the forty-third session</i>	<i>Membership of the forty-fourth session</i>	<i>Term expires at close of session in the year</i>
Indonesia	Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....	2007
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Italy .....	2009
Italy	Japan .....	2008
Jamaica	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya .....	2007
Japan	Mali .....	2008
Kazakhstan	Malta .....	2007
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Monaco .....	2009
Mali	Myanmar .....	2009
Malta	Netherlands .....	2009
Mexico	Pakistan .....	2007
Pakistan	Paraguay .....	2009
Peru	Peru .....	2008
Republic of Korea	Republic of Korea .....	2008
Republic of Moldova	Republic of Moldova .....	2008
Romania	Romania .....	2007
Russian Federation	Russian Federation .....	2008
Senegal	Senegal .....	2007
South Africa	Spain .....	2007
Spain	South Africa .....	2009
Suriname	Suriname .....	2007
Switzerland	Tunisia .....	2008
Tunisia	Turkey .....	2007
Turkey	Ukraine .....	2009
United Republic of Tanzania	United Republic of Tanzania .....	2009
United States of America	United States of America .....	2008
Viet Nam	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) .....	2009
Zambia	Zambia .....	2007

## Commission on Human Rights

(53 members; three-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Argentina	Argentina .....	2008
Armenia	Armenia .....	2007
Australia	Australia .....	2008
Bhutan	Austria .....	2008
Brazil	Azerbaijan.....	2008
Burkina Faso	Bangladesh.....	2008
Canada	Bhutan .....	2006
China	Botswana .....	2008
Congo	Brazil .....	2008
Costa Rica	Cameroon.....	2008
Cuba	Canada .....	2007
Dominican Republic	China .....	2008
Ecuador	Congo .....	2006
Egypt	Costa Rica.....	2006
Eritrea	Cuba .....	2006
Ethiopia	Dominican Republic .....	2006
Finland	Ecuador.....	2007
France	Egypt .....	2006
Gabon	Eritrea .....	2006
Germany	Ethiopia .....	2006
Guatemala	Finland.....	2007
Guinea	France .....	2007
Honduras	Germany .....	2008
Hungary	Guatemala.....	2006
India	Guinea .....	2007
Indonesia	Honduras.....	2006
Ireland	Hungary .....	2006
Italy	India.....	2006
Japan	Indonesia.....	2006
Kenya	Italy .....	2006
Malaysia	Japan.....	2008
Mauritania	Kenya.....	2007
Mexico	Malaysia .....	2007
Nepal	Mauritania.....	2006
Netherlands	Mexico.....	2007
Nigeria	Morocco.....	2008

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Pakistan	Nepal .....	2006
Paraguay	Netherlands .....	2006
Peru	Nigeria .....	2006
Qatar	Pakistan .....	2007
Republic of Korea	Peru .....	2006
Romania	Qatar .....	2006
Russian Federation	Republic of Korea .....	2007
Saudi Arabia	Romania .....	2007
South Africa	Russian Federation .....	2006
Sri Lanka	Saudi Arabia .....	2006
Sudan	South Africa .....	2006
Swaziland	Sudan .....	2007
Togo	Togo .....	2007
Ukraine	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2006
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United States of America .....	2008
United States of America	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) .....	2008
Zimbabwe	Zimbabwe .....	2008

## Commission on the Status of Women<sup>h</sup>

(45 members; four-year term)

<i>Membership of the forty-ninth session</i>	<i>Membership of the fiftieth session</i>	<i>Term expires at close of session in the year</i>
Algeria	Algeria .....	2007
Argentina	Armenia .....	2007
Armenia	Belgium .....	2007
Azerbaijan	Belize .....	2009
Belgium	Bolivia .....	2007
Bolivia	Botswana .....	2006
Botswana	Burkina Faso .....	2006
Burkina Faso	Canada .....	2007
Canada	China .....	2008
China	Congo .....	2007
Congo	Croatia .....	2009
Cuba	Cuba .....	2006
Dominican Republic	Dominican Republic .....	2008
El Salvador	El Salvador .....	2008
Gabon	Gabon .....	2006
Germany	Germany .....	2009
Ghana	Ghana .....	2008
Guatemala	Guatemala .....	2006
Guinea	Hungary .....	2008
Hungary	Iceland .....	2008
Iceland	India .....	2007
India	Indonesia .....	2006
Indonesia	Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....	2006
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Japan .....	2009
Japan	Kazakhstan .....	2008
Kazakhstan	Malaysia .....	2006
Malaysia	Mali .....	2009
Mauritius	Mauritius .....	2008
Netherlands	Morocco .....	2009
Nicaragua	Netherlands .....	2009
Nigeria	Nicaragua .....	2006
Pakistan	Nigeria .....	2007
Peru	Peru .....	2009
Republic of Korea	Qatar .....	2009
Russian Federation	Republic of Korea .....	2006

<i>Membership of the forty-ninth session</i>	<i>Membership of the fiftieth session</i>	<i>Term expires at close of session in the year</i>
South Africa	Russian Federation.....	2007
Sudan	South Africa.....	2006
Suriname	Sudan.....	2006
Thailand	Suriname.....	2008
Tunisia	Thailand.....	2007
Turkey	Turkey.....	2007
United Arab Emirates	United Arab Emirates.....	2006
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	2009
United Republic of Tanzania	United Republic of Tanzania.....	2009
United States of America	United States of America.....	2008

## Commission on Narcotic Drugs

(53 members; four-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	Algeria.....	2007
Argentina	Argentina.....	2007
Australia	Australia.....	2009
Austria	Austria.....	2007
Belarus	Belgium.....	2009
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Bolivia.....	2009
Brazil	Bosnia and Herzegovina.....	2007
Burkina Faso	Brazil.....	2007
Cameroon	Cameroon.....	2007
Chile	Canada.....	2009
China	Chile.....	2007
Colombia	Colombia.....	2009
Croatia	Croatia.....	2007
Cuba	Cuba.....	2007
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Democratic Republic of the Congo.....	2007
France	France.....	2007
Gambia	Germany.....	2007
Germany	Guatemala.....	2007
Guatemala	Hungary.....	2007
Hungary	India.....	2007
	Iran (Islamic Republic of).....	2007

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
India	Israel .....	2007
Indonesia	Italy .....	2007
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Jamaica .....	2009
Israel	Japan .....	2009
Italy	Lao People's Democratic Republic .....	2007
Jamaica	Lebanon .....	2007
Japan	Madagascar .....	2007
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Malaysia .....	2007
Lebanon	Mexico .....	2009
Madagascar	Myanmar .....	2007
Malaysia	Namibia .....	2009
Mexico	Niger .....	2009
Myanmar	Nigeria .....	2009
Netherlands	Norway .....	2007
Nicaragua	Peru .....	2007
Nigeria	Poland .....	2009
Norway	Republic of Korea .....	2009
Pakistan	Russian Federation .....	2009
Peru	Saudi Arabia .....	2009
Russian Federation	Senegal .....	2009
South Africa	Sudan .....	2007
Spain	Sweden .....	2007
Sudan	Switzerland .....	2007
Sweden	Tajikistan .....	2009
Switzerland	Thailand .....	2007
Thailand	Turkey .....	2009
Turkey	Uganda .....	2007
Uganda	Ukraine .....	2009
Ukraine	United Arab Emirates .....	2007
United Arab Emirates	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2009
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United States of America .....	2007
United States of America	Zambia .....	2007
Zambia		

## Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

(40 members; three-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	Armenia .....	2008
Austria	Austria .....	2008
Botswana	Bolivia .....	2008
Brazil	Botswana .....	2006
Burundi	Brazil .....	2006
Canada	Burundi .....	2006
Central African Republic	Canada .....	2006
China	Chile .....	2008
Comoros	China .....	2008
Croatia	Comoros .....	2008
Cuba	Costa Rica.....	2008
Czech Republic	Cuba .....	2006
Egypt	Czech Republic.....	2006
El Salvador	Democratic Republic of the Congo .....	2008
Ethiopia	Egypt .....	2006
Finland	Finland.....	2006
Gambia	Germany .....	2008
India	India.....	2006
Indonesia	Indonesia.....	2006
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....	2006
Italy	Italy .....	2008
Jamaica	Japan.....	2008
Japan	Jamaica .....	2006
Mauritania	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya .....	2008
Mexico	Mexico.....	2006
Nicaragua	Namibia .....	2008
Nigeria	Niger.....	2008
Pakistan	Nigeria .....	2006
Paraguay	Pakistan .....	2008
Peru	Paraguay .....	2006
Republic of Korea	Republic of Korea.....	2008
Russian Federation	Russian Federation.....	2008
Saudi Arabia	Saudi Arabia .....	2006
Thailand	Senegal .....	2008
Turkey	Thailand.....	2006
Uganda	Uganda.....	2008

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>i</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Ukraine	Ukraine .....	2006
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2006
United States of America	United States of America .....	2006
Zambia		

## **Commission on Sustainable Development<sup>j</sup>**

**(53 members; three-year term)**

<i>Membership of the thirteenth session</i>	<i>Membership of the fourteenth session</i>	<i>Term expires at close of session in the year</i>
Algeria	Algeria .....	2007
Antigua and Barbuda	Australia .....	2006
Argentina	Austria .....	2007
Australia	Belarus .....	2008
Austria	Belgium .....	2008
Azerbaijan	Belize .....	2008
Belgium	Bolivia .....	2008
Brazil	Brazil .....	2007
Burkina Faso	Burkina Faso .....	2007
Canada	Cameroon .....	2008
China	Canada .....	2008
Colombia	China .....	2008
Costa Rica	Colombia .....	2007
Croatia	Cuba .....	2008
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Democratic People's Republic of Korea .....	2008
Egypt	Democratic Republic of the Congo .....	2008
Ethiopia	Ethiopia .....	2006
Fiji	Fiji .....	2006
Finland	Finland .....	2007
France	France .....	2007
Gabon	Georgia .....	2007
Georgia	Germany .....	2008
Germany	Ghana .....	2007
Ghana	Guinea-Bissau .....	2006
Guinea-Bissau	Honduras .....	2006
Honduras	Hungary .....	2006
	Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....	2007

<i>Membership of the thirteenth session</i>	<i>Membership of the fourteenth session</i>	<i>Term expires at close of session in the year</i>
Hungary	Israel .....	2008
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Italy .....	2008
Jamaica	Jamaica .....	2006
Japan	Japan .....	2006
Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan .....	2007
Lesotho	Luxembourg .....	2007
Luxembourg	Mexico .....	2008
Nepal	Netherlands .....	2006
Netherlands	Pakistan .....	2007
Norway	Paraguay .....	2007
Pakistan	Qatar .....	2007
Paraguay	Republic of Korea .....	2006
Peru	Russian Federation .....	2006
Qatar	Saint Lucia .....	2006
Republic of Korea	Saudi Arabia .....	2008
Russian Federation	Serbia and Montenegro .....	2008
Saint Lucia	Sierra Leone .....	2007
Saudi Arabia	Sudan .....	2006
Sierra Leone	Thailand .....	2008
South Africa	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia .....	2007
Sudan	Tunisia .....	2008
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Uganda .....	2006
Turkey	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2006
Uganda	United States of America .....	2006
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Zambia .....	2008
United States of America	Zimbabwe .....	2008
Uzbekistan		

## Commission on Science and Technology for Development

(33 members; four-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005 and 2006<sup>k</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Angola .....	2008
Austria .....	2008
Bangladesh.....	2006
Belarus.....	2006
Belgium .....	2006
Bolivia .....	2006
Brazil .....	2008
Chile .....	2006
China.....	2006
Democratic Republic of the Congo .....	2008
Ethiopia.....	2006
Gambia.....	2008
Germany .....	2006
Greece.....	2006
India.....	2006
Iran (Islamic Republic of).....	2006
Italy.....	2008
Jamaica .....	2008
Jordan .....	2008
Lesotho .....	2006
Morocco.....	2006
Oman .....	2008
Pakistan.....	2008
Paraguay .....	2006
Peru.....	2008
Romania.....	2006
Russian Federation.....	2008
Sierra Leone.....	2008
Slovakia .....	2008
Sudan .....	2006
Turkey.....	2006
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2008

## United Nations Forum on Forests

The membership of the Forum comprises all States Members of the United Nations and States members of the specialized agencies (see Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/35).

### Regional commissions

#### Economic Commission for Africa\*

##### Members (53)

Algeria	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Angola	Madagascar
Benin	Malawi
Botswana	Mali
Burkina Faso	Mauritania
Burundi	Mauritius
Cameroon	Morocco
Cape Verde	Mozambique
Central African Republic	Namibia
Chad	Niger
Comoros	Nigeria
Congo	Rwanda
Côte d'Ivoire	Sao Tome and Principe
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Senegal
Djibouti	Seychelles
Egypt	Sierra Leone
Equatorial Guinea	Somalia
Eritrea	South Africa
Ethiopia	Sudan
Gabon	Swaziland
Gambia	Togo
Ghana	Tunisia
Guinea	Uganda
Guinea-Bissau	United Republic of Tanzania
Kenya	Zambia
Lesotho	Zimbabwe
Liberia	

\* Switzerland participates in a consultative capacity in the work of the Commission by virtue of Council resolution 925 (XXXIV) of 6 July 1962.

## **Economic Commission for Europe\***

### **Members (55)**

Albania	Liechtenstein
Andorra	Lithuania
Armenia	Luxembourg
Austria	Malta
Azerbaijan	Monaco
Belarus	Netherlands
Belgium	Norway
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Poland
Bulgaria	Portugal
Canada	Republic of Moldova
Croatia	Romania
Cyprus	Russian Federation
Czech Republic	San Marino
Denmark	Serbia and Montenegro
Estonia	Slovakia
Finland	Slovenia
France	Spain
Georgia	Sweden
Germany	Switzerland
Greece	Tajikistan
Hungary	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Iceland	Turkey
Ireland	Turkmenistan
Israel	Ukraine
Italy	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Kazakhstan	United States of America
Kyrgyzstan	Uzbekistan
Latvia	

## **Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean\*\***

### **Members (42)**

Antigua and Barbuda	Canada
Argentina	Chile
Bahamas	Colombia
Barbados	Costa Rica
Belize	Cuba
Bolivia	Dominica
Brazil	Dominican Republic

\* The Holy See participates in the work of the Commission in accordance with Commission decision N (XXXI) of 5 April 1976.

\*\* Switzerland participates in a consultative capacity in the work of the Commission by virtue of Council resolution 861 (XXXII) of 21 December 1961.

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Ecuador	Panama
El Salvador	Paraguay
France	Peru
Germany <sup>1</sup>	Portugal
Grenada	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Guatemala	Saint Lucia
Guyana	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Haiti	Spain
Honduras	Suriname
Italy	Trinidad and Tobago
Jamaica	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Mexico	United States of America
Netherlands	Uruguay
Nicaragua	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

### **Associate members (7)**

Anguilla	Netherlands Antilles
Aruba	Puerto Rico
British Virgin Islands	United States Virgin Islands
Montserrat	

### **Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific\***

#### **Members (53)**

Afghanistan	Malaysia
Armenia	Maldives
Australia	Marshall Islands
Azerbaijan	Micronesia (Federated States of)
Bangladesh	Mongolia
Bhutan	Myanmar
Brunei Darussalam	Nauru
Cambodia	Nepal
China	Netherlands
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	New Zealand
Fiji	Pakistan
France	Palau
Georgia	Papua New Guinea
India	Philippines
Indonesia	Republic of Korea
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Russian Federation
Japan	Samoa
Kazakhstan	Singapore
Kiribati	Solomon Islands
Kyrgyzstan	Sri Lanka
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Tajikistan

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Thailand  
Timor-Leste  
Tonga  
Turkey  
Turkmenistan  
Tuvalu

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland  
United States of America  
Uzbekistan  
Vanuatu  
Viet Nam

**Associate members (9)**

American Samoa  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
Cook Islands  
French Polynesia

Guam  
Hong Kong, China  
Macau, China  
New Caledonia  
Niue

**Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia**

**Members (13)**

Bahrain  
Egypt  
Iraq  
Jordan  
Kuwait  
Lebanon  
Oman

Palestine  
Qatar  
Saudi Arabia  
Syrian Arab Republic  
United Arab Emirates  
Yemen

## Standing committees

### Committee for Programme and Coordination

(34 members; three-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>m</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	Algeria.....	2007
Argentina	Bahamas .....	2006
Armenia	China .....	2007
Bahamas	Comoros .....	2006
Benin	France.....	2006
Brazil	Ghana .....	2007
Canada	Jamaica.....	2007
Central African Republic	Japan .....	2007
China	Kenya .....	2007
Comoros	Mexico .....	2006
Cuba	Republic of Korea.....	2007
France	Russian Federation .....	2006
Gabon	United States of America .....	2006
Germany	Zimbabwe.....	2006
Ghana		
India		
Indonesia		
Iran (Islamic Republic of)		
Jamaica		
Japan		
Kenya		
Mexico		
Monaco		
Nicaragua		
Pakistan		
Republic of Korea		
Republic of Moldova		
Russian Federation		
South Africa		
Switzerland		
Ukraine		
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland		
United States of America		
Zimbabwe		

## **Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations**

**(19 members; four-year term)**

### **Membership until 31 December 2006**

Cameroon	Pakistan
Chile	Peru
China	Romania
Colombia	Russian Federation
Côte d'Ivoire	Senegal
Cuba	Sudan
France	Turkey
Germany	United States of America
India	Zimbabwe
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	

### **Expert bodies**

#### **Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals**

##### **Subcommittee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods**

##### **Members (27)**

Argentina	Japan
Australia	Mexico
Austria	Morocco
Belgium	Netherlands
Brazil	Norway
Canada	Poland
China	Portugal
Czech Republic	Russian Federation
Finland	South Africa
France	Spain
Germany	Sweden
India	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	United States of America
Italy	

## Subcommittee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

### Members (32)

Argentina	Japan
Australia	Netherlands
Austria	New Zealand
Belgium	Norway
Brazil	Poland
Canada	Portugal
China	Qatar
Czech Republic	Senegal
Denmark	Serbia and Montenegro
Finland	South Africa
France	Spain
Germany	Sweden
Greece	Ukraine
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Ireland	United States of America
Italy	Zambia <sup>n</sup>

## Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

### (34 members; three-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005<sup>o</sup></i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>p</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Argentina <sup>f</sup>	Argentina .....	2006
Benin	Benin .....	2006
Brazil	Brazil .....	2006
Burundi	Burundi .....	2006
China	China .....	2008
Cyprus	Cyprus .....	2006
Czech Republic	Czech Republic .....	2006
Ethiopia	Germany .....	2008
France	Italy .....	2008
Germany	Lebanon .....	2008
Italy	Malaysia .....	2006
Malaysia	Malta .....	2008
Malta	Mexico .....	2006
Mexico	Namibia .....	2008
Namibia	Nigeria .....	2006
Niger	Pakistan .....	2006

<i>Membership in 2005<sup>o</sup></i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>p</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Nigeria	Panama .....	2008
Pakistan	Portugal .....	2008
Panama	Poland .....	2006
Poland	Russian Federation.....	2008
Portugal	Senegal .....	2008
Russian Federation	South Africa.....	2008
South Africa	Sweden .....	2008
Sri Lanka	Thailand.....	2006
Thailand	Tunisia .....	2006
Tunisia	Uganda.....	2008
Uganda	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2008
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United Republic of Tanzania.....	2008

## **Committee for Development Policy**

**(24 members; three-year term)**

*Membership until 31 December 2006*

N'Dri Thérèse Assié-Lumumba (Côte d'Ivoire)  
 Iskra Beleva (Bulgaria)<sup>q</sup>  
 Patricia Bifani-Richard (Chile-Italy)  
 Albert Binger (Jamaica)  
 Olav Bjerkholt (Norway)  
 Gui Ying Cao (China)  
 Eugenio B. Figueroa (Chile)  
 Leonid M. Grigoriev (Russian Federation)  
 Patrick Guillaumont (France)  
 Heba Handoussa (Egypt)  
 Hiroya Ichikawa (Japan)  
 Willene Johnson (United States of America)  
 Marju Lauristin (Estonia)  
 P. Jayendra Nayak (India)  
 Milivoje Panić (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)  
 Carola Pessino (Argentina)  
 Suchitra Punyaratabandhu (Thailand)  
 Sylvia Saborio (Costa Rica)  
 Nasser Hassan Saidi (Lebanon)  
 Udo Ernst Simonis (Germany)

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*Membership until 31 December 2006*

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Funmi Togonu-Bickersteth (Nigeria)  
 Geedreck Usvatte-Aratchi (Sri Lanka)  
 Samuel Wangwe (United Republic of Tanzania)  
 Kerfalla Yansane (Guinea)

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## **Committee of Experts on Public Administration**

**(24 members; four-year term)**

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*Membership to 31 December 2005*

*Membership from 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2009*

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Jaime Rodriguez Arana-Munoz (Spain)	Peter Anyang' Nyong'o (Kenya)
Marie-Françoise Bechtel (France)	Ousmane Batoko (Benin)
Rachid Benmokhtar Benabdellah (Morocco)	Marie-Françoise Bechtel (France)
Jocelyne Bourgon (Canada)	Rachid Benmokhtar Benabdellah (Morocco)
Luiz Carlos Bresser-Pereira (Brazil)	Emilia Boncodin (Philippines)
Petrus Compton (Saint Lucia)	Jocelyne Bourgon (Canada)
Giuseppe Franco Ferrari (Italy)	Luiz Carlos Bresser-Pereira (Brazil)
Geraldine Fraser-Moleketi (South Africa)	Mario P. Chiti (Italy)
Werner Jann (Germany)	Mikhail Dmitriev (Russian Federation)
Barbara Kudrycka (Poland)	Geraldine Fraser-Moleketi (South Africa)
Gonzalo D. Martner Fanta (Chile)	Edgar Alfonso González Salas (Colombia)
Kuldeep Mathur (India)	Werner Jann (Germany)
Atangana Mebara (Cameroon)	Taher Kannan (Jordan)
Bechara Merhej (Lebanon)	Pan Suk Kim (Republic of Korea)
Jose Oscar Monteiro (Mozambique)	Barbara Kudrycka (Poland)
Akira Nakamura (Japan)	Florin Lupescu (Romania)
Apolo Nsibambi (Uganda)	Anthony Makrydemetres (Greece)
Dennis Rondinelli (United States of America)	Jose Oscar Monteiro (Mozambique)
Otton Solis-Fallas (Costa Rica)	Siripurapu Kesava Rao (India)
Patricia Sto. Tomas (Philippines)	Dennis Rondinelli (United States of America)
Sakhir Thiam (Senegal)	Prijono Tjiptoherijanto (Indonesia)
Borwornsak Uwanno (Thailand)	Luis Aguilar Villanueva (Mexico)
Wang Xiaochu (China)	Gwendoline Williams (Trinidad and Tobago)
Volodymyr Yatsuba (Ukraine)	Wang Xiaochu (China)

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## **Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters<sup>r</sup>**

**(25 members; four-year term)**

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*Membership until 30 June 2009*

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Moftah Jassim Al-Moftah (Qatar)  
Bernell L. Arrindell (Barbados)  
Noureddine Bensouda (Morocco)  
Rowena G. Bethel (Bahamas)  
Patricia A. Brown (United States of America)  
José Antonio Bustos Buiza (Spain)  
Nahil L. Hirsh Carrillo (Peru)  
Danies Kawama Chisenda (Zambia)  
Paolo Ciocca (Italy)  
Andrew Dawson (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)  
Talmon de Paula Freitas (Brazil)  
Harry Msamire Kitillya (United Republic of Tanzania)  
Frank Mullen (Ireland)  
Kyung Geun Lee (Republic of Korea)  
Habiba Louati (Tunisia)  
Ronald Peter van der Merwe (South Africa)  
Dmitry Vladimirovich Nikolaev (Russian Federation)  
Pascal Saint-Amans (France)  
Serafin U. Salvador, Jr. (Philippines)  
Erwin Silitonga (Indonesia)  
Stig B. Sollund (Norway)  
Yoshiki Takeuchi (Japan)  
Robert Waldburger (Switzerland)  
Armando Lara Yaffar (Mexico)  
Zhiyong Zhang (China)

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## Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

(18 members; four-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Mohamed Ezzeldin Abdel-Moneim (Egypt) .....	2008
Clement Atangana (Cameroon) .....	2006
Rocío Barahona Riera (Costa Rica).....	2008
Virginia Bonoan-Dandan (Philippines) .....	2006
Arundhati Ghose (India) <sup>s</sup> .....	2006
Maria Virginia Bras Gomes (Portugal).....	2006
Chokila Iyer (India) <sup>s</sup> .....	2006
Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria).....	2006
Yuri Kolosov (Russian Federation) .....	2006
Giorgio Malinverni (Switzerland) .....	2008
Jaime Marchan Romero (Ecuador).....	2006
Sergei N. Martynov (Belarus) .....	2008
Ariranga Govindasamy Pillay (Mauritius).....	2008
Andrzej Rzeplinski (Poland) .....	2008
Eibe Riedel (Germany) .....	2006
Waleed M. Sa'di (Jordan).....	2008
Philippe Texier (France).....	2008
Alvaro Tirado Mejia (Colombia).....	2006
Shen Yongxiang (China) .....	2008

<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Mohamed Ezzeldin Abdel-Moneim (Egypt) .....	2008
Clement Atangana (Cameroon) .....	2006
Rocío Barahona Riera (Costa Rica).....	2008
Virginia Bonoan-Dandan (Philippines) .....	2006
Arundhati Ghose (India) .....	2006
Maria Virginia Bras Gomes (Portugal).....	2006
Azzouz Kerdoun (Algeria).....	2006
Yuri Kolosov (Russian Federation) .....	2006
Giorgio Malinverni (Switzerland) .....	2008
Jaime Marchan Romero (Ecuador).....	2006
Sergei N. Martynov (Belarus) .....	2008
Ariranga Govindasamy Pillay (Mauritius).....	2008
Andrzej Rzeplinski (Poland) .....	2008
Eibe Riedel (Germany) .....	2006
Waleed M. Sa'di (Jordan).....	2008
Philippe Texier (France).....	2008
Alvaro Tirado Mejia (Colombia).....	2006
Shen Yongxiang (China) .....	2008

## Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

(16 members; three-year term)

<i>Membership from 1 January 2005 to 31 December 2007</i>	
<i>Eight experts elected by the Council</i>	<i>Eight experts appointed by the President of the Council</i>
Eduardo Aguiar de Almeida (Brazil)	Hassan Id Balkassm (Morocco)
Yuri Boychenko (Russian Federation)	Michael Dodson (Australia)
Merike Kokajev (Estonia)	Wilton Littlechild (Canada)
William Ralph Joey Langeveldt (South Africa)	Aqqaluk Lynge (Denmark)
Otilia Lux de Coti (Guatemala)	Pavel Sulyandziga (Russian Federation)
Liliana Muzangi Mbela (Democratic Republic of the Congo) <sup>†</sup>	Parshuram Tamang (Nepal)
Ida Nicolaisen (Denmark)	Victoria Tauli-Corpuz (Philippines)
Qin Xiaomei (China)	Nina Pacari Vega (Ecuador)

## Related bodies

### Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

(36 members; three-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Algeria	Algeria.....	2006
Argentina	Argentina.....	2007
Australia	Australia.....	2007
Austria	Austria.....	2006
Bangladesh	Bangladesh.....	2006
Belarus	Belarus.....	2006
Bolivia	Bolivia.....	2007
Burundi	Burkina Faso.....	2008
China	Burundi.....	2006
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Canada.....	2008
Djibouti	China.....	2007
El Salvador	Colombia.....	2008
Eritrea	Democratic People's Republic of Korea.....	2007
Finland	Denmark.....	2008
France	Djibouti.....	2006
Germany	El Salvador.....	2006
Ghana	Finland.....	2006
India	Germany.....	2007
	Guatemala.....	2008

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Italy .....	2006
Italy	Japan.....	2007
Japan	Lebanon.....	2006
Lebanon	Malawi.....	2006
Malawi	Mozambique.....	2007
Mozambique	Myanmar .....	2006
Myanmar	Netherlands.....	2007
Netherlands	Pakistan .....	2008
Nicaragua	Republic of Korea.....	2008
Norway	Rwanda.....	2008
Peru	Russian Federation .....	2007
Republic of Moldova	Senegal.....	2006
Russian Federation	Serbia and Montenegro.....	2008
Senegal	Spain .....	2008
Sweden	Sweden .....	2006
Ukraine	Ukraine.....	2007
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United States of America .....	2008
United States of America		

### **Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

**(68 members)**

Algeria	Germany
Argentina	Ghana <sup>u</sup>
Australia	Greece
Austria	Guinea
Bangladesh	Holy See
Belgium	Hungary
Brazil	India
Canada	Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Chile	Ireland
China	Israel
Colombia	Italy
Côte d'Ivoire	Japan
Cyprus	Kenya
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Lebanon
Denmark	Lesotho
Ecuador	Madagascar
Egypt	Mexico
Ethiopia	Morocco
Finland	Mozambique
France	Namibia

Netherlands	Spain
New Zealand	Sudan
Nicaragua	Sweden
Nigeria	Switzerland
Norway	Thailand
Pakistan	Tunisia
Philippines	Turkey
Poland	Uganda
Republic of Korea	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Romania <sup>u</sup>	United Republic of Tanzania
Russian Federation	United States of America
Serbia and Montenegro	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Somalia	Yemen
South Africa	Zambia

### **Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund**

**(36 members; three-year term)**

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Australia	Algeria .....	2008
Belarus	Bangladesh.....	2008
Botswana	Belarus.....	2007
Cameroon	Benin .....	2008
Cape Verde	Botswana .....	2006
China	Cameroon.....	2006
Congo	Canada <sup>v</sup> .....	2007
Cuba	China .....	2006
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Congo .....	2006
Denmark	Cuba .....	2006
El Salvador	Democratic People's Republic of Korea.....	2007
Eritrea	Denmark .....	2006
Gambia	Ecuador.....	2008
Germany	Eritrea .....	2006
Guatemala	France <sup>v</sup> .....	2006
Guyana	Gambia .....	2006
India	Guatemala.....	2007
Indonesia	Guyana.....	2007
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Indonesia.....	2006
Italy	Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....	2006
Japan	Jamaica .....	2008
Kazakhstan	Japan.....	2008
Nepal	Kazakhstan.....	2007
	Netherlands.....	2006

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Netherlands	New Zealand .....	2008
Norway	Norway .....	2008
Poland	Pakistan .....	2008
Portugal	Poland .....	2006
Russian Federation	Portugal .....	2007
Sweden	Russian Federation.....	2008
Tunisia	Sweden .....	2006
Switzerland	Turkey.....	2007
Turkey	Uganda.....	2007
Uganda	Ukraine .....	2007
Ukraine	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2008
United States of America	United States of America .....	2007
Uruguay		

## **Executive Board of the World Food Programme<sup>w</sup>**

**(36 members; three-year term)**

<i>Membership in 2005</i>			
<i>Members elected by the Economic and Social Council</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>	<i>Members elected by the FAO Council</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Australia .....	2007	Angola .....	2006
China .....	2007	Bangladesh.....	2006
Cuba .....	2007	Canada .....	2007
Denmark .....	2006	Congo .....	2007
Ethiopia .....	2007	Finland <sup>x</sup> .....	2005
France .....	2006	Germany .....	2007
India .....	2006	Haiti.....	2007
Iran (Islamic Republic of).....	2005	Indonesia.....	2005
Japan.....	2005	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya .....	2005
Malawi.....	2005	Netherlands.....	2006
Mexico.....	2005	Nicaragua <sup>x</sup> .....	2006
Norway .....	2007	Niger.....	2007
Pakistan .....	2006	Peru.....	2005
Poland.....	2005	Slovakia .....	2005
Russian Federation.....	2006	Switzerland <sup>x</sup> .....	2005
Senegal .....	2006	Syrian Arab Republic.....	2006
Sweden .....	2005	Thailand.....	2007
Tunisia.....	2007	United States of America .....	2006

<i>Membership in 2006</i>			
<i>Members elected by the Economic and Social Council</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>	<i>Members elected by the FAO Council<sup>b</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Australia .....	2007	Angola .....	2006
China .....	2007	Bangladesh.....	2006
Cuba .....	2007	Canada .....	2007
Denmark .....	2006	Congo .....	2007
Ethiopia .....	2007	Germany .....	2007
France .....	2006	Haiti .....	2007
India .....	2006	Netherlands.....	2006
Indonesia .....	2008	Nicaragua .....	2006
Japan.....	2008	Niger.....	2007
Mexico.....	2008	Syrian Arab Republic.....	2006
Norway .....	2007	Thailand.....	2007
Pakistan .....	2006	United States of America .....	2006
Russian Federation.....	2006		
Senegal .....	2006		
Tunisia .....	2007		
Ukraine .....	2008		
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.....	2008		
Zimbabwe .....	2008		

## International Narcotics Control Board

(13 members; five-year term)

**Members elected by the Economic and Social Council to serve on the Board as constituted under the 1972 Protocol Amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961**

<i>Membership from 2 March 2005</i>	<i>Term expires on 1 March</i>
Joseph Bediako Asare (Ghana) .....	2010
Sevil Atasoy (Turkey) .....	2010
Madan Mohan Bhatnagar (India).....	2007
Elisaldo Carlini (Brazil).....	2007
Tatiana Borisovna Dmitrieva (Russian Federation).....	2010
Philip O. Emafo (Nigeria) .....	2010
Gilberto Gerra (Italy) .....	2007
Hamid A. Ghodse (Islamic Republic of Iran) .....	2007
Camilo Uribe Granja (Colombia) .....	2010
Melvyn Levitsky (United States of America) .....	2007
Robert Lousberg (Netherlands) .....	2007
Rainer Wolfgang Schmid (Austria) .....	2007
Brian Watters (Australia) .....	2010

## Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

(10 members; three-year term)

*Membership until 31 December 2006*

Burkina Faso  
Czech Republic  
El Salvador  
Iran (Islamic Republic of)  
Italy  
Philippines  
Mexico  
Nigeria  
Romania  
Spain

## Committee for the United Nations Population Award<sup>Z</sup>

(10 members; three-year term)

*Membership until 31 December 2006*

Algeria  
Bangladesh  
Belarus  
Cameroon  
Guyana  
Haiti<sup>aa</sup>  
Iran (Islamic Republic of)  
Kenya  
Netherlands  
Peru

## Programme Coordination Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome

(22 members; three-year term)

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>bb</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Australia <sup>cc</sup>	Australia .....	2008
Bahamas	Bahamas .....	2006
Brazil	Brazil .....	2007
Canada <sup>cc</sup>	Cape Verde .....	2006
Cape Verde	China .....	2006
China	Czech Republic .....	2006
Côte d'Ivoire	Democratic Republic of the Congo .....	2008
Czech Republic	Finland.....	2008
Denmark <sup>cc</sup>	Germany <sup>cc</sup> .....	2007
Finland <sup>cc</sup>	Grenada.....	2008
France	India .....	2007
Guatemala	Italy <sup>cc</sup> .....	2006
India	Japan .....	2006
Japan	Kenya .....	2007
Kenya	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya .....	2007
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Nepal .....	2007
Myanmar	Netherlands .....	2006
Nepal	Russian Federation.....	2007

<i>Membership in 2005</i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>bb</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Netherlands	Swaziland .....	2006
Russian Federation	Sweden .....	2006
Swaziland	United States of America .....	2007
Sweden <sup>dd</sup>		
Switzerland <sup>dd</sup>		
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland		
United States of America		

**Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme**  
**(58 members; four-year term)**

<i>Membership in 2005<sup>ff</sup></i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>ff</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Antigua and Barbuda <sup>c</sup>	Antigua and Barbuda .....	2008
Argentina	Argentina .....	2006
Bangladesh	Bangladesh .....	2008
Belarus	Belarus .....	2007
Belgium	Belgium .....	2008
Brazil	Brazil .....	2006
Bulgaria	Bulgaria .....	2007
Burkina Faso	Burkina Faso .....	2006
Burundi	Burundi .....	2006
Canada	Canada .....	2008
Chile	Chile .....	2006
China	China .....	2008
Congo	Congo .....	2007
Costa Rica	Costa Rica .....	2007
Czech Republic	Czech Republic .....	2008
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Democratic Republic of the Congo .....	2006
Ecuador	Ecuador .....	2006
France	France .....	2008
Germany	Germany .....	2007
Ghana	Ghana .....	2008
Greece	Greece .....	2007
Haiti <sup>c</sup>	Haiti .....	2008
India	India .....	2007
Indonesia	Indonesia .....	2006
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....	2006

<i>Membership in 2005<sup>ff</sup></i>	<i>Membership in 2006<sup>ff</sup></i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Japan	Israel.....	2007
Jordan	Japan .....	2006
Kenya	Jordan .....	2007
Israel	Kenya .....	2007
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.....	2008
Malawi	Malawi.....	2006
Mexico	Mexico.....	2007
Netherlands	Netherlands.....	2006
Nigeria	Nigeria.....	2007
Norway	Norway .....	2008
Pakistan	Pakistan .....	2006
Paraguay	Paraguay .....	2007
Philippines	Philippines.....	2007
Poland	Poland.....	2006
Russian Federation	Russian Federation .....	2006
Rwanda	Rwanda.....	2008
Saudi Arabia	Saudi Arabia .....	2007
Senegal	Senegal .....	2006
Sierra Leone	Sierra Leone .....	2006
Slovakia	Slovakia.....	2008
South Africa	South Africa.....	2007
Spain	Spain .....	2007
Sri Lanka	Sri Lanka .....	2007
Swaziland	Swaziland .....	2007
Sweden <sup>gg</sup>	Sweden .....	2008
Trinidad and Tobago	Trinidad and Tobago .....	2008
Turkey	Turkey .....	2006
Uganda	Uganda .....	2008
United Arab Emirates	United Arab Emirates .....	2008
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	2006
United Republic of Tanzania	United Republic of Tanzania.....	2008
United States of America	United States of America .....	2006

### Notes

<sup>a</sup> The remaining 18 seats are to be filled by the General Assembly at its sixtieth session.

<sup>b</sup> Elected by the General Assembly at its 45th meeting, on 28 October 2004, for a term beginning on 1 January 2005 to replace Greece.

- <sup>c</sup> Pursuant to subparagraphs (b) and (c) of its decision 2005/213 of 31 March 2005, the Council changed the terms of office of the members of the Commission on Population and Development and extended the terms of the current members of the Commission. Also, at its 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Council elected the following 16 members for a term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fortieth session in 2006 and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-third session in 2010: China, Gambia, India, Jamaica, Lebanon, Mexico, Oman, the Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sweden, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Zambia (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>d</sup> The Council postponed the election of one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the forty-first session in 2008 (decision 2005/201 B). Subsequently, at its 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Council elected Haiti to fill the vacancy (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>e</sup> Elected at the 4th meeting, on 31 March 2005, for a term beginning on the date of election, to fill a postponed vacancy (decision 2005/201 B).
- <sup>f</sup> Elected at the 52nd meeting, on 16 September 2004, for a term beginning on the date of election, to fill a postponed vacancy (decision 2004/201 F).
- <sup>g</sup> Elected at the 4th meeting, on 31 March 2005, for a term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's thirty-ninth session, in 2005, to replace Norway (decision 2005/201 B).
- <sup>h</sup> At its 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Council elected the following 13 members to the Commission on the Status of Women for a four-year term beginning at the initial meeting, in 2006, of the Commission's fifty-first session and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-fourth session in 2010: Brazil, Cameroon, Djibouti, Ecuador, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Lesotho, Malaysia, Mexico, Republic of Korea, Togo, United Arab Emirates, Zambia (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>i</sup> The Council postponed the election of one member from African States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006 (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>j</sup> At its 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Council elected the following 16 members to the Commission on Sustainable Development for a three-year term beginning at the organizational meeting, in 2006, of the Commission's fifteenth session and expiring at the close of the Commission's seventeenth session in 2009: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Chile, Czech Republic, Djibouti, Indonesia, Kuwait, Peru, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Senegal, Spain, Sudan, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>k</sup> The Council postponed the election of one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008 (decision 2004/201 D).
- <sup>l</sup> At its 39th meeting, on 26 July 2005, the Council amended the terms of reference of the Commission to reflect the admission of Germany as a member of the Commission (Council resolution 2005/41).
- <sup>m</sup> At its 7th and 34th meetings, on 27 April and 21 July 2005, the Council nominated 18 Member States for election by the General Assembly at its sixtieth session for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006 and postponed to a future session the nomination of two members from Western European and other States for the same term of office (decisions 2005/201 C and E).
- <sup>n</sup> At its 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Council approved Zambia's application for membership contained in document E/2005/9/Add.9 (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>o</sup> The Council further postponed the election of one member from Asian States, two members from Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2005 (decision 2004/201 F).

- <sup>p</sup> The Council postponed the election of one member from Asian States, two members from Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from Western European and other States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006 (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>q</sup> Appointed at the 2nd meeting, on 4 February 2005, to fill a vacancy arising from the demise of Eul Yong Park (Republic of Korea) (decision 2005/201 A).
- <sup>r</sup> Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2004/69 of 11 November 2004, the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters was renamed the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters, comprising 25 members appointed by the Secretary-General.
- <sup>s</sup> At its 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Council elected Arundhati Ghose, for a term beginning on the date of election, to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Chokila Iyer (India) (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>t</sup> Elected at the 52nd meeting, on 16 September 2004, for a term beginning on 1 January 2005 to fill a vacancy arising from the demise of Njuma Ekundanayo (Democratic Republic of the Congo) (decision 2004/201 F).
- <sup>u</sup> Elected at the 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 59/169 of 20 December 2004 (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>v</sup> At its 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Council elected Canada and France for a term beginning on 1 January 2006 to replace Switzerland and Germany, respectively (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>w</sup> Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 50/8 of 1 November 1995, the Economic and Social Council and the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations elect 18 members each from among the States Members of the United Nations or the States members of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, according to the pattern set out in that resolution. The members of the Executive Board were elected from five lists set out in the Basic Texts of the World Food Programme and reproduced in document E/2005/9/Add.6.
- <sup>x</sup> For 2005, the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations agreed to replace Belgium, El Salvador and Ireland by Switzerland, Nicaragua and Finland, respectively.
- <sup>y</sup> The remaining six seats are to be filled by the Council of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations at its session to be held in November 2005.
- <sup>z</sup> For the regulations governing the Award, see General Assembly resolution 36/201 and Assembly decision 41/445.
- <sup>aa</sup> Elected at the 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, for a term beginning on the date of election, to fill a postponed vacancy (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>bb</sup> The Council postponed the election of one member from Asian States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2006 (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>cc</sup> At its 7th meeting, on 27 April 2005, the Council elected Australia and Finland for a term beginning on the date of election, to replace Canada and Denmark, respectively (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>dd</sup> At its 9th meeting, on 9 June 2005, the Council elected Sweden for a term beginning on the date of election, to replace Switzerland (decision 2005/201 D).
- <sup>ee</sup> At its 7th meeting, on 27 April, the Council elected Germany and Italy for a term beginning on 1 January 2006, to replace France and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, respectively (decision 2005/201 C).
- <sup>ff</sup> The Council postponed the election of one member from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008 (decision 2005/201 B).
- <sup>gg</sup> Elected at the 2nd meeting, on 4 February 2005, for a term beginning on the date of election, to fill a postponed vacancy (decision 2005/201 A).

## **Annex IV**

### **Economic and Social Council event to consider the issue of transition from relief to development**

At its 8th meeting, on 28 April 2005, at its resumed organizational session, the Economic and Social Council adopted decision E/2005/216, in which it outlined the modalities of an informal event to consider the issue of transition from relief to development (see E/2005/SR.8). Pursuant to that decision, the Council held the informal event on 13 July 2005, during its substantive session, and heard a brief presentation, followed by an interactive debate. The event was summarized by the Vice-President of the Council, Johan Verbeke (Belgium).

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