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*President:* Mr. Al-Nasser ..... (Qatar)

*In the absence of the President, Ms. Kamara (Liberia), Vice-President, took the Chair.*

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

## Reports of the Sixth Committee

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly will now consider the reports of the Sixth Committee on agenda items 77 to 85, 109, 121, 135, 143 and 166 to 175.

I request Mr. Petr Válek, Vice-Chair of the Sixth Committee, to introduce in one intervention, on behalf of the Rapporteur of the Sixth Committee, the reports of the Committee that are before the Assembly.

**Mr. Válek** (Czech Republic), Vice-Chair of the Sixth Committee: I have the honour to introduce, on behalf of the Rapporteur of the Sixth Committee, who cannot be here today, the reports of the Sixth Committee on its work during the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

The Assembly allocated to the Committee 21 substantive and three procedural agenda items. Except for the item relating to the election of officers, all of those fall under three of the headings corresponding to the priorities of the Organization, namely, "Promotion of justice and international law"; "Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations"; and "Organizational, administrative and other matters". I will introduce the reports of the Sixth Committee on the various items in the order in which they fall under those three headings.

I will begin with the first heading, "Promotion of justice and international law", under which the Sixth Committee considered 9 agenda items and adopted 13 draft resolutions.

The Sixth Committee considered agenda item 77, "Nationality of natural persons in relation to the succession of States". The relevant Committee report is contained in document A/66/469, and the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly for adoption is reproduced in paragraph 8 thereof.

Under the terms of the draft resolution, the Assembly would reiterate its invitation to Governments to take into account, as appropriate, the provisions of the articles contained in the annex to resolution 55/153, in dealing with issues of nationality of natural persons in relation to the succession of States; once again encourage States to consider, as appropriate, at the regional or subregional levels, the elaboration of legal instruments regulating questions of nationality of natural persons in relation to the succession of States, with a view, in particular, to preventing the occurrence of statelessness as a result of a succession of States; emphasize the value of the articles in providing guidance to States dealing with issues of nationality of natural persons in relation to the succession of States, in particular concerning the avoidance of statelessness; and decide that, upon the request of any State, it would revert to the question of nationality of natural persons in relation to the succession of States at an appropriate time, in the light of the development of State practice in these matters.

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The Sixth Committee also considered agenda item 78, "Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission". The relevant Committee report is contained in document A/66/470, and the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly for adoption is reproduced in paragraph 8 thereof.

Under the terms of the draft resolution, which reiterates various measures aimed at ensuring the criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission, it is envisaged that the consideration of the report of the Group of Legal Experts, in particular its legal aspects, would be resumed next year in the context of a working group of the Sixth Committee.

The report on agenda item 79, "Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its forty-fourth session", is contained in document A/66/471. The Sixth Committee recommended three draft resolutions for adoption by the General Assembly, which are reproduced in paragraph 14 of the report.

Under the terms of draft resolution I, the General Assembly would, among other things, welcome the decision of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) to prepare a guide to enactment of the UNCITRAL Model Law on Public Procurement, as well as a study on possible future work in the area of public-private partnerships and privately financed infrastructure projects; to undertake work in the field of electronic transferable records; to prepare, in cooperation with the World Bank, draft principles on effective secured transactions regimes; and to include microfinance as an item for the future work of the Commission. Draft resolution II pertains to the Model Law on Public Procurement developed and adopted by UNCITRAL. Draft resolution III pertains to the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross Border Insolvency: The Judicial Perspective, and, *inter alia*, requests that the Secretariat establish a mechanism for updating the Model Law on an ongoing basis.

The report on agenda item 80, "United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law", is found in document A/66/472, and the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly for adoption is reproduced in paragraph 7 thereof.

Under the terms of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would reaffirm that the Programme constitutes a core activity of the United Nations and that there is an increase in the demand for international law training, which creates new challenges for the Programme. The General Assembly would authorize the Secretary-General to carry out the activities specified in his report on the Programme in 2012 and 2013; express concern over the reduction in the programme budget for fellowships; and would further request that the Secretary-General provide the necessary resources for the programme budget for the next and future bienniums to ensure the Programme's continued effectiveness and further development, in particular the regional courses in international law and the Audiovisual Library of International Law. In addition, the General Assembly would decide to revert to this item at its sixty-seventh session, and would also decide to appoint 25 Member States as members of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance for a period of four years beginning on 1 January 2012.

The report on agenda item 81, "Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-third session", is contained in document A/66/473, and the three draft resolutions recommended to the General Assembly for adoption are reproduced in paragraph 14 thereof.

Under draft resolution I, the General Assembly would, among other things, commend the Commission for the completion of its work on the draft articles on the responsibility of international organizations, the draft articles on the effects of armed conflicts on treaties, and the Guide to Practice on Reservations to Treaties. The Assembly would also decide that consideration of chapter IV of the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-third session, dealing with the topic "Reservations to treaties", would be continued at the Assembly's sixty-seventh session, during the consideration of the report of the Commission on the work of its sixty-fourth session.

Furthermore, the Assembly would, *inter alia*, take note of the inclusion by the Commission of a number of topics in its long-term programme of work; invite the Commission to continue to give priority to, and work towards the conclusion of, the topics "Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction" and "The obligation to extradite or prosecute (*aut dedere aut judicare*)"; and welcome the work undertaken by

the Commission during its sixty-third session to improve its methods of work.

By the terms of draft resolution II, entitled “Effects of armed conflicts on treaties”, the Assembly would welcome the conclusion of the work of the International Law Commission on the effects of armed conflicts on treaties and its adoption of the draft articles and a detailed commentary on the subject; express its appreciation to the Commission for its continuing contribution to the codification and progressive development of international law; take note of the articles on the effects of armed conflicts on treaties presented by the Commission, the text of which would be annexed to the resolution; and commend them to the attention of Governments without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action. The Assembly would also decide to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session an item entitled “Effects of armed conflicts on treaties”, with a view to examining, *inter alia*, the question of the form that might be given to the draft articles.

In draft resolution III, entitled “Responsibility of international organizations”, the General Assembly would welcome the conclusion of the work of the International Law Commission on the responsibility of international organizations, as well as its adoption of the draft articles and a detailed commentary on the subject; would express its appreciation to the Commission for its continuing contribution to the codification and progressive development of international law; would take note of the articles on the responsibility of international organizations presented by the Commission, the text of which would be annexed to the resolution; and would commend them to the attention of Governments and international organizations, without prejudice to the question of their future adoption or other appropriate action. The Assembly would also decide to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session an item entitled “Responsibility of international organizations”, with a view to examining, *inter alia*, the question of the form that might be given to the draft articles.

The report on agenda item 82, entitled “Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization”, is contained in document A/66/474, and the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly for adoption appears in paragraph 8 thereof.

Under the terms of the draft resolution, the Assembly would, *inter alia*, request the Special Committee to continue its consideration of all proposals concerning the question of the maintenance of international peace and security and to continue to consider, on a priority basis, the question of the implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions, along with ways and means for improving the Committee’s working methods, and for enhancing its efficiency.

The report on agenda item 83, entitled “The rule of law at the national and international levels”, is contained in document A/66/475, and the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly for adoption is reproduced in paragraph 8 thereof. Under the terms of the draft resolution, the Assembly would, *inter alia*, decide to hold a one-day plenary meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels during the high-level segment of the sixty-seventh session, on 24 September 2012. That high-level plenary meeting would result in a concise outcome document, and the President of the General Assembly would be requested to produce a draft text, in consultation with Member States. The President of the General Assembly would also be requested to finalize, in consultation with Member States, the organizational arrangements of the meetings.

The draft resolution on the rule of law at the national and international levels was extensively revised orally at the last meeting of the Sixth Committee and was adopted without a vote as revised. Therefore, the oral statement on the programme budget implications of the draft resolution could not be prepared and read in the Committee before the adoption of the draft resolution. It is my understanding that the representative of the General Assembly would read the oral statement on the programme budget implications of the draft resolution before the adoption of the draft resolution by the Assembly.

The report on agenda item 84, entitled “The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction”, is contained in document A/66/476. Under the draft resolution recommended for adoption, which is reproduced in paragraph 9 of the report, the General Assembly would decide that the Sixth Committee shall continue its consideration of the matter next year, including in the context of a working

group of the Sixth Committee, which would undertake a thorough discussion of the item.

The report on agenda item 85, entitled "The law of transboundary aquifers", is contained in document A/66/477, and the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly for adoption is reproduced in paragraph 7 of the report. By the terms of the draft resolution, the General Assembly would, *inter alia*, further encourage the States concerned to make appropriate bilateral or regional arrangements for the proper management of their transboundary aquifers, taking into account the provisions of the draft articles annexed to its resolution 63/124. The Assembly would revert to the consideration of the item at its sixty-eight session.

The Sixth Committee adopted the 13 draft resolutions under the first heading without a vote. It is my hope that the General Assembly will be in a position to do the same.

I shall now turn to the heading "Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations". The Sixth Committee considered agenda item 109, entitled "Measures to eliminate international terrorism", under this heading. The relevant report is contained in document A/66/478, and the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly for adoption is reproduced in paragraph 11 thereof. Should the Assembly adopt the draft resolution, it would, *inter alia*, decide that the Sixth Committee, at the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly, should establish a working group for the purpose of continuing work on the issues implicated by the item. Unlike on previous occasions, no meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee is anticipated in 2012. The Assembly would nevertheless encourage all Member States to redouble their efforts, intersessionally, towards resolving any outstanding issues. The Sixth Committee adopted this draft resolution without a vote, and it is my hope that the Assembly will be able to do the same.

Under the third and final heading, entitled "Organizational, administrative and other matters", the Sixth Committee considered 11 substantive and 2 procedural items. The report on agenda item 143, "Administration of justice at the United Nations", is contained in document A/66/481. The Sixth Committee recommends two draft resolutions for adoption by the General Assembly, which are reproduced in

paragraph 14 of the report. Under the terms of draft resolution I, the General Assembly would approve the code of conduct for the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal and the United Nations Appeals Tribunal, as set out in the annex to the draft resolution. In accordance with draft resolution II, the General Assembly would approve the amendments to the rules of procedure of the United Nations Appeals Tribunal, as set out in the annex to the draft resolution.

The report on agenda item 166, entitled "Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country", is contained in document A/66/482, and the draft resolution recommended to the General Assembly for adoption appears in paragraph 8 of the report.

Furthermore, the Sixth Committee considered nine requests for observer status in the General Assembly. It recommended that the General Assembly grant observer status to the following organizations: the Union of South American Nations, the International Renewable Energy Agency, the Central European Initiative, the Intergovernmental Authority on Development, and the West African Economic and Monetary Union.

The Sixth Committee recommended to the General Assembly to defer to the sixty-seventh session of the Assembly decisions on the requests for observer status in the General Assembly for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States and for the International Conference of Asian Political Parties.

The sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.6, on agenda item 171, entitled "Observer status for the United Cities and Local Governments in the General Assembly", and of draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.8, on agenda item 173, entitled "Observer status for the Parliamentary Assembly of Turkic-speaking Countries in the General Assembly", withdrew the draft resolutions. The Sixth Committee concluded its consideration of those items without taking action.

The reports concerning each of the requests for observer status are found in documents A/66/484, A/66/485, A/66/486, A/66/488, A/66/550, A/66/483, A/66/490, A/66/487 and A/66/489. The relevant draft resolutions and draft decisions are reproduced in paragraph 7 of documents A/66/484, A/66/485, A/66/486 and A/66/488, and in paragraph 8 of documents A/66/483, A/66/490 and A/66/550. The reports on agenda items 171 and 173 are contained in documents A/66/487 and

A/66/489, respectively, and no further action by the General Assembly is recommended.

Under the third heading, the Sixth Committee also considered two procedural items, namely agenda item 121, entitled “Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly”, and agenda item 135, entitled, “Programme planning”. The report under agenda item 121, which contains the provisional programme of work of the Sixth Committee at the sixty-seventh session, is found in document A/66/479. The draft decision by which the General Assembly would take note of the provisional programme of work is reproduced in paragraph 7 of the report. The report on agenda item 135 is contained in document A/66/480, and no further action by the General Assembly is recommended.

The draft decisions and the draft resolution relating to the agenda items under the third heading were also adopted by the Sixth Committee without a vote. It is my hope that the General Assembly will be in a position to do the same.

Finally, I wish to inform the Assembly that there is no report in respect of agenda item 5, entitled “Election of the officers of the Main Committees”. Consistent with previous practice, the election of the officers of the Sixth Committee for the sixty-seventh session will be taken up at a later stage in the course of the current session.

That concludes my introduction of the reports of the Sixth Committee. Let me take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Chair of the Sixth Committee, His Excellency Ambassador Hernán Salinas Burgos of Chile, for his dedicated work and for the commendable leadership that he provided to the Committee. I also wish to thank the other members of the Bureau, Ms. Mattanee Kaewpanya of Thailand, Ms. Ceta Noland of the Netherlands and Ms. Jacqueline Mosei of Kenya, for their cooperation. I also thank all representatives and colleagues for their valuable contributions to the success of the session.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to the secretariat of the Sixth Committee, through the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs, for its efficient and valuable support and for the competent and professional advice provided throughout the session.

**The Acting President:** I thank the Vice-Chair of the Sixth Committee.

If there is no proposal under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, I shall take it that the General Assembly decides not to discuss the reports of the Sixth Committee that are before the Assembly today.

*It was so decided.*

**The Acting President:** Statements will therefore be limited to explanations of vote. The positions of delegations regarding the recommendations of the Sixth Committee have been made clear during the work of the Committee and are reflected in the relevant official records.

May I remind members that under paragraph 7 of decision 34/401, the General Assembly agreed that:

“When the same draft resolution is considered in a Main Committee and in plenary meeting, a delegation should, as far as possible, explain its vote only once, that is, either in the Committee or in plenary meeting, unless that delegation’s vote in plenary meeting is different from its vote in the Committee.”

May I also remind delegations that explanations of vote are limited to 10 minutes and should be made by delegations from their seats.

Before we begin to take action on the recommendations contained in the reports of the Sixth Committee, I should like to advise representatives that we are going to take decisions in the same manner as was done in the Committee, unless the Secretariat is notified otherwise in advance. I therefore hope that we may proceed to adopt without a vote those recommendations that were adopted without a vote in the Committee.

Members are reminded that additional sponsors are no longer accepted now that the draft resolutions and decisions have been adopted by the Committee. Any clarification about sponsorship should be addressed to the Secretary of the Committee.

**Agenda item 77****Nationality of natural persons in relation to the succession of States****Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/469)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 66/92).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 77?

*It was so decided.*

**Agenda item 78****Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission****Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/470)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 66/93).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 78?

*It was so decided.*

**Agenda item 79****Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its forty-fourth session****Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/471)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it three draft resolutions recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 14 of its report. We will now

take a decision on draft resolutions I, II and III, one by one.

Draft resolution I is entitled "Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its forty-fourth session". The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*Draft resolution I was adopted (resolution 66/94).*

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution II is entitled "United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Model Law on Public Procurement". The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*Draft resolution II was adopted (resolution 66/95).*

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution III is entitled "United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency: The Judicial Perspective". The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*Draft resolution III was adopted (resolution 66/96).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 79?

*It was so decided.*

**Agenda item 80****United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law****Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/472)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 66/97).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 80?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 81

### Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-third session

#### Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/473)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it three draft resolutions recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 14 of its report. We will now take a decision on draft resolutions I, II and III, one by one.

Draft resolution I is entitled “Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-third session”. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*Draft resolution I was adopted (resolution 66/98).*

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution II is entitled “Effects of armed conflicts on treaties”. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*Draft resolution II was adopted (resolution 66/99).*

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution III is entitled “Responsibility of international organizations”. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*Draft resolution III was adopted (resolution 66/100).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 81?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 82

### Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

#### Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/474)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of this report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 66/101).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 82?

*It was so decided.*

## Agenda item 83

### The rule of law at the national and international levels

#### Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/475)

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of this report.

I now give the floor to the representative of the Secretariat.

**Mr. Botnaru** (Department for General Assembly and Conference Management): I would like to remind Member States that, at the meeting of the Sixth Committee held on 11 November, oral revisions were made to draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.20, after which the Committee immediately adopted it. Since the Secretariat did not have sufficient time to revise its oral statement accordingly, I shall now read out, for the record only and without setting a precedent, the following statement on behalf of the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedures of the General Assembly.

Under the terms of paragraphs 15 (a), 15 (b), 16 and 18 of the draft resolution, as orally revised by the coordinator and adopted by the Sixth Committee on 11 November, the General Assembly would recall its decision to convene a high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the topic “The rule of law at the national and international levels” during the high-level segment of its sixty-seventh session and decide that the organizational arrangements for the high-level meeting should be as follows.

The high-level meeting will be held as a one-day plenary meeting on Monday, 24 September 2012. The President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the President of the International Court of Justice, the President of the Security Council, the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, the Executive Director of the United

Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, the Chair of the International Law Commission, Member States and observers, as well as a limited number of representatives of non-governmental organizations active in the field of the rule of law, will be invited to speak at the opening plenary meeting.

The high-level meeting will result in a concise outcome document. The draft resolution would request the President of the General Assembly to produce a draft text, in consultation with Member States, at an appropriate date in order to enable sufficient consideration and agreement by Member States prior to the meeting, and would request the Secretary-General to submit a report for the consideration of Member States in preparation for the high-level meeting no later than March 2012.

As regards the high-level meeting, to be convened on Monday, 24 September 2012, as called for in paragraph 15 (a), it is determined that the requirements to service the meeting with interpretation and other support services will be covered by using the budgetary provisions provided to service the General Assembly, on the understanding that there will be no parallel meetings of the General Assembly or its working groups at the same time.

With regard to the invitees listed in paragraph 15 (b), additional costs would be incurred by some invitees from outside New York to travel to New York, inter alia, the President of the International Court of Justice, the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Executive Director of the United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime and the Chair of the International Law Commission. It is determined that the related travel costs would be absorbed within the provision of the respective proposed programme budgets for the biennium 2012-2013.

With regard to the outcome document, the draft text of the outcome document called for in paragraph 16 and the report of the Secretary-General called for in paragraph 17, additional requirements totalling \$35,600 under section 2, "General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management", would arise to process those documents, an estimated 2,000 words for the outcome document and an estimated 4,000 words for the report of the Secretary-General, in all six languages. It is determined that those additional costs could be absorbed.

In summary, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee on 11 November, no additional programme budget implications would arise for the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013.

**The Acting President:** We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 66/102).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 83?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 84**

##### **The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/476)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*The draft resolution was adopted (resolution 66/103).*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 84?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 85**

##### **The law of transboundary aquifers**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/477)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 9 of this report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?



*The draft resolution was adopted* (resolution 66/104).

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 85?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 109**

##### **Measures to eliminate international terrorism**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/478)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 11 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted* (resolution 66/105).

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 109?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 121 (continued)**

##### **Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/479)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft decision recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report. We will now take action on the draft decision, entitled "Provisional programme of work of the Sixth Committee for the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly". The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*The draft decision was adopted.*

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 121.

#### **Agenda item 135 (continued)**

##### **Programme planning**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/480)**

**The Acting President:** May I take it that the General Assembly wishes to take note of the report of the Sixth Committee?

*It was so decided.*

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 135.

#### **Agenda item 143**

##### **Administration of justice at the United Nations**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/481)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it two draft resolutions recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 14 of its report. We will now take a decision on draft resolutions I and II.

Draft resolution I is entitled "Code of conduct for the judges of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal and the United Nations Appeals Tribunal". The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*Draft resolution I was adopted* (resolution 66/106).

**The Acting President:** Draft resolution II is entitled "Amendments to the rules of procedure of the United Nations Appeals Tribunal". The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*Draft resolution II was adopted* (resolution 66/107).

**The Acting President:** The General Assembly has thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 143.

#### **Agenda item 166**

##### **Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/482)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report. We will now

take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted* (resolution 66/108).

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the General Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 166?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 167**

##### **Observer status for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/483)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft decision recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report. We will now take action on the draft decision. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I take it that the Assembly wishes to do the same?

*The draft decision was adopted.*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 167?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 168**

##### **Observer status for the Union of South American Nations in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/484)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I consider that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted* (resolution 66/109).

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 168?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 169**

##### **Observer status for the International Renewable Energy Agency in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/485)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I consider that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted* (resolution 66/110).

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 169?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 170**

##### **Observer status for the Central European Initiative in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/486)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I consider that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted* (resolution 66/111).

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 170?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 171**

##### **Observer status for the United Cities and Local Governments in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/487)**

**The Acting President:** May I take it that the General Assembly wishes to take note of the report of the Sixth Committee?

*It was so decided.*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 171?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 172**

##### **Observer status for the Intergovernmental Authority on Development in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/488)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I consider that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted* (resolution 66/112).

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 172?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 173**

##### **Observer status for the Parliamentary Assembly of Turkic-speaking Countries in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/489)**

**The Acting President:** May I take it that the General Assembly wishes to take note of the report of the Sixth Committee?

*It was so decided.*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 173?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 174**

##### **Observer status for the International Conference of Asian Political Parties in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/490)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft decision recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report. We will now take action on

the draft decision. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I consider that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft decision was adopted.*

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 174?

*It was so decided.*

#### **Agenda item 175**

##### **Observer status for the West African Economic and Monetary Union in the General Assembly**

###### **Report of the Sixth Committee (A/66/550)**

**The Acting President:** The Assembly has before it a draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report. We will now take a decision on the draft resolution. The Sixth Committee adopted it without a vote. May I consider that the Assembly wishes to do likewise?

*The draft resolution was adopted* (resolution 66/113).

**The Acting President:** May I take it that it is the wish of the Assembly to conclude its consideration of agenda item 175?

*It was so decided.*

**The Acting President:** On behalf of the General Assembly, I would like to thank His Excellency Mr. Hernán Salinas Burgos of Chile, Chair of the Sixth Committee, the members of the bureau, the Secretary of the Committee and representatives for a job well done.

The General Assembly has thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Sixth Committee before it.

#### **Programme of work**

**The Acting President:** I should like to consult members regarding an extension for the work of the Fifth Committee. Members will recall that, at its 2nd plenary meeting, on 16 September, the General Assembly approved the recommendation of the General Committee that the Fifth Committee would complete its work by Friday, 9 December. However, the President of the Assembly has been informed by the Chair of the

Fifth Committee that the Committee will not be able to finish its work by today, Friday, 9 December.

May I therefore take it that the General Assembly agrees to extend the work of the Fifth Committee until Thursday, 22 December?

*It was so decided.*

*The meeting rose at 4.05 p.m.*