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Guyana:* draft resolution**

Follow-up to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions [73/242](#) of 20 December 2018 and [74/232](#) of 19 December 2019, in which the Assembly decided to convene the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries in Doha from 21 to 25 March 2021 at the highest possible level, including Heads of State and Government,

Recalling also that in its resolution [74/232](#) it decided that the meeting of the intergovernmental preparatory committee agreed upon in paragraph 43 of its resolution [73/242](#) should be organized in New York in two parts, from 27 to 30 July 2020 and from 11 to 15 January 2021, of no more than five working days each,

Noting with concern the situation concerning the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic,

Recognizing the unprecedented effects of the pandemic, including the severe disruption to societies and economies, global travel and commerce, and the devastating impact on the livelihood of people,

1. *Decides* to reschedule the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries and to hold it in Doha from 23 to 27 January 2022 at the highest possible level, including Heads of State and Government, in line with the mandate specified in resolutions [73/242](#) and [74/232](#);

2. *Also decides* to reschedule the meeting of the intergovernmental preparatory committee and to hold it in New York in two parts, from 24 to 28 May 2021 and from 26 to 30 July 2021, of no more than five working days each;

3. *Invites* the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council to reschedule the half-day dedicated thematic event requested in resolution [74/232](#) and to hold it during the seventy-fifth session of the Assembly in order to provide substantive input to the Conference.

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

** In order for the General Assembly to take action on the present proposal, it will be necessary to consider agenda item 21 (a) directly in the Assembly.

