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Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States

The General Assembly,

Recalling its previous resolutions on cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States,

Recalling also article 3 of the Charter of the League of Arab States,¹ which entrusts the Council of the League of Arab States with the function of identifying the means whereby it will collaborate with international organizations to guarantee international peace and security and organize and strengthen relations in all fields,

Taking into consideration the report of the Secretary-General entitled “An Agenda for Peace”,² and in particular section VII concerning cooperation with regional organizations, and the report of the Secretary-General entitled “Supplement to an Agenda for Peace”,³

Considering the recommendations of the high-level meeting held by the Secretary-General with the heads of regional and subregional organizations in New York on 12 and 13 June 2018,

Recalling the statement by the President of the Security Council issued at the high-level meeting of the Security Council on cooperation between the Security Council and the League of Arab States, under the presidency of Kuwait on 13 June 2019,⁴

Taking into consideration the provisions of the protocol of amendment of the text of the cooperation agreement between the United Nations and the League of Arab

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 70, No. 241.

² [A/47/277-S/24111](#).

³ [A/50/60-S/1995/1](#).

⁴ [S/PRST/2019/5](#).



States signed in September 2016, which call for strengthening cooperation between the two organizations in new areas, including conflict resolution and prevention, in addition to peacebuilding,

Recognizing the need to further strengthen cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States in pursuit of the common goals and objectives of both organizations,

Commending the resolutions and recommendations of the fourteenth sectoral meeting between the United Nations and the League of Arab States and their specialized agencies, which was convened at the headquarters of the League of Arab States on 12 and 13 January 2020 on the theme “Cooperation in the eradication of multidimensional poverty in the Arab States”, during which several issues were discussed, including the developmental challenges of multidimensional poverty, the role of specialized agencies in eradicating poverty and the challenges hindering concerted efforts in the Arab region,

1. *Requests* the secretariats of the United Nations and the League of Arab States to follow up on the implementation of the recommendations and resolutions of the fourteenth sectoral meeting to assist the Arab States in eradicating the increasing poverty resulting from the outbreak of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic in the region;

2. *Calls upon* both secretariats to exert further efforts to enhance the existing cooperation between the two organizations at the political, security, economic, social and cultural levels, as well as in other areas of common interest, and requests the Secretariat of the United Nations to promote and build the capacities of the staff members of organs of the League of Arab States dealing with sustaining peace, conflict prevention, early warning, mediation, negotiation, peacemaking, peacekeeping and peacebuilding processes, and assessing and building national capacities in the post-conflict phase;

3. *Stresses* the importance of the two secretariats continuing periodic consultations, at all levels, in order to exchange information and review and strengthen coordination and follow-up mechanisms, particularly in the political and security fields;

4. *Emphasizes* that it is crucial and important to intensify coordination between the League of Arab States and the United Nations special envoys addressing the current crises in the Arab region, in order to assist the two organizations in reaching a more comprehensive understanding of the crises and to develop an effective solution to them;

5. *Requests* both secretariats to convene the fifteenth general cooperation meeting between the two systems, which was postponed owing to the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, at the United Nations Office at Geneva by the end of 2021 or the beginning of 2022 and to hold the fifteenth sectoral meeting between the two organizations and their specialized agencies at the headquarters of the League of Arab States by the end of 2021;

6. *Requests* the United Nations specialized agencies, programmes and institutions to continue their interaction and collaboration with their counterparts in the organizations and institutions of the League of Arab States and to improve their consultation mechanisms for the implementation of the projects and programmes agreed upon between both sides;

7. *Calls upon* the United Nations specialized agencies, institutions and programmes to inform the Secretary-General, no later than January 2022, of the progress achieved in their cooperation with the League of Arab States system,

particularly in implementing the multilateral decisions and programmes approved by the general cooperation meeting between the two organizations;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its seventy-seventh session;

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, the sub-item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States”.
