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Groups of countries in special situations

Report of the Second Committee*

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1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 16 September 2022, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-seventh session the item entitled:

“Groups of countries in special situations:

“(a) Follow-up to the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

“(b) Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries”

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee held a general discussion on the item at its 16th meeting, on 13 October. An account of the Committee’s discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary record.¹ Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 2nd to 5th and 8th meetings, on 3, 4 and 7 October.² An account of the Committee’s further consideration of the item is provided in the addenda to the present report.

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

Item 21 (a)

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

Report of the Secretary-General on follow-up to the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries ([A/77/73-E/2022/53](#))

* The report of the Committee on this item is being issued in three parts, under the symbols [A/77/446](#), [A/77/446/Add.1](#) and [A/77/446/Add.2](#).

¹ [A/C.2/77/SR.16](#).

² See [A/C.2/77/SR.2](#), [A/C.2/77/SR.3](#), [A/C.2/77/SR.4](#), [A/C.2/77/SR.5](#) and [A/C.2/77/SR.8](#).



Report of the Secretary-General on food insecurity in the least developed countries: options for a system of stockholding and complementary means at the global, regional and subregional levels ([A/77/291](#))

Item 21 (b)

Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014–2024 ([A/77/269](#))

Review of United Nations system support for landlocked developing countries to implement the Vienna Programme of Action: Note by the Secretary-General ([A/77/89](#))

Comments on the review of United Nations system support for landlocked developing countries to implement the Vienna Programme of Action: Note by the Secretary-General ([A/77/89/Add.1](#))

4. At the 16th meeting, on 13 October, the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States made an introductory statement.

5. At the 22nd meeting, on 21 November, the representative of the United States of America made a statement with regard to the draft resolutions before the Committee.³

6. At the same meeting, the representative of the Russian Federation made a statement regarding the draft resolutions entitled “Follow-up to the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries” and “Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries”.

³ See [A/C.2/77/SR.22](#).