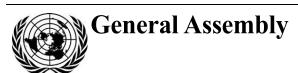
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Cuba:* draft resolution

Deferral of the graduation of Angola from the least developed country category to a later date

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 75/259 of 11 February 2021,

Recalling also Economic and Social Council resolution 2023/10 of 7 June 2023 on the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its twenty-fifth session,

Taking into account its resolutions 59/209 of 20 December 2004, 65/286 of 29 June 2011 and 67/221 of 21 December 2012 on a smooth transition for countries graduating from the category of least developed countries,

Recalling its resolution 76/258 of 1 April 2022, by which the General Assembly endorsed the Doha Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries,

Reaffirming its commitment to the process of graduation from the least developed country category and encouraging smooth transition measures for graduating countries,

- 1. Reaffirms that graduating from the category of least developed countries should be sustainable and irreversible and should not result in a disruption of development plans, programmes and projects;
- 2. Takes note of the recommendation of the Economic and Social Council that the graduation of Angola from the least developed country category be deferred to a later date to enable the Committee for Development Policy to consider further the situation of Angola and its smooth transition strategy, and for the Council to update its recommendation to the Assembly in 2024;
- 3. *Decides* to defer the graduation of Angola from the least developed country category to a later date.

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



