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Second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation

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Draft report of the second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation

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I. Resolutions adopted by the Conference

Resolution 1

Buenos Aires outcome document of the second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation

[Text of A/CONF.235/L.1 and A/CONF.235/3 to be inserted]

Resolution 2

Expression of thanks to the people and the Government of Argentina

[Text of A/CONF.231/L.2 to be inserted]

Resolution 3

Credentials of representatives to the second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation

[Text of resolution contained in document A/CONF.235/5 to be inserted]

II. Organization of work and other organizational matters

A. Date and venue of the Conference

1. The second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation was held in Buenos Aires from 20 to 22 March 2019, pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 71/244 and 71/318 and decisions 72/544 and 73/543. During that period, the Conference held four plenary meetings and three interactive panel discussions.





B. Attendance

2. The list of participants will be issued as document A/CONF.235/INF/2.

C. Opening of the Conference

- 3. On 20 March 2019, the Secretary-General opened the Conference in his capacity as Temporary President, in accordance with rule 17 of the provisional rules of procedure.
- 4. At the formal opening of the Conference, during its 1st plenary meeting, on 20 March, statements were made by the President of the Conference, Mauricio Macri; the President of the General Assembly, María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés; the Secretary-General, António Guterres; the President of the Economic and Social Council, Inga Rhonda King; the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, Achim Steiner; the President-designate of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, Adonia Ayebare; the Assistant Secretary-General of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture of Pakistan, Attiya Nawazish Ali Khan, representing the private sector; and the Executive Director of Reality of Aid Africa Network, Vitalice Meja, representing civil society.

D. Election of the President and other officers of the Conference

5. At its 1st plenary meeting, the Conference elected its officers.

President of the Conference

6. The President of Argentina, Mauricio Macri, was elected by acclamation as President of the Conference.

Vice-Presidents

7. The following Vice-Presidents were elected by acclamation:

African States: Guinea and Morocco

Asia-Pacific States: Bangladesh and the Islamic Republic of Iran

Eastern European States: Estonia and Lithuania Latin American and Caribbean States: Brazil Western European and other States: Ireland

Vice-President ex officio

8. Argentina was elected ex officio Vice-President of the Conference by acclamation.

Rapporteur-General

9. Sven Jürgenson (Estonia) was elected by acclamation as Rapporteur-General of the Conference.

E. Adoption of the rules of procedure

10. At its 1st plenary meeting, the Conference adopted its rules of procedure (see A/CONF.235/2).

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F. Adoption of the agenda

- 11. At the same meeting, the Conference adopted the following agenda on the basis of the provisional agenda (A/CONF.235/1):
 - 1. Opening of the Conference.
 - 2. Election of the President.
 - 3. Adoption of the rules of procedure.
 - 4. Adoption of the agenda.
 - 5. Election of officers other than the President.
 - 6. Organization of work.
 - 7. Credentials of representatives to the Conference:
 - (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
 - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
 - 8. General debate on the role of South-South cooperation and the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: challenges and opportunities.
 - 9. Interactive panel discussions:
 - (a) Panel 1: comparative advantages and opportunities of South-South cooperation and sharing of experiences, best practices and success stories;
 - (b) Panel 2: challenges and the strengthening of the institutional framework of South-South cooperation and triangular cooperation;
 - (c) Panel 3: scaling up the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in support of South-South cooperation and triangular cooperation;
 - (d) Summaries by the Co-Chairs.
 - 10. Adoption of the outcome document of the Conference.
 - 11. Adoption of the report of the Conference.
 - 12. Closing of the Conference.

G. Organization of work, including the establishment of subsidiary organs, and other organizational matters

12. Also at the same meeting, the Conference approved the organization of work, as contained in document A/CONF.235/4.

H. Credentials of representatives to the Conference

13. Also at its 1st plenary meeting, the Conference, in accordance with rule 4 of its rules of procedure, appointed the following States as members of the Credentials Committee, on the basis of the composition of the Credentials Committee of the General Assembly at its seventy-third session: Antigua and Barbuda, Chile, China, Finland, Ghana, the Russian Federation, Sierra Leone and the United States of America.

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I. Documentation

14. The list of documents before the Conference is contained in the annex to the present report.

III. General debate

- 15. At its 1st plenary meeting, under agenda item 8, the Conference heard addresses by the President of Uruguay, Tabaré Vázquez; the Head of State of Eswatini, King Mswati III; the President of Paraguay, Mario Abdo Benítez; and the President of Estonia, Kersti Kaljulaid.
- 16. At the same meeting, the Conference heard statements by the Vice-Premier of China, Hu Chunhua; the First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Serbia, Ivica Dačić; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the State of Palestine, Riyad Al-Maliki (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and in his national capacity); the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship of Costa Rica, Manuel Ventura (on behalf of the Like-minded Group of Supporters of Middle-Income Countries and in his national capacity); the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Barbados, Jerome Xavier Walcott; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Peru, Néstor Popolizio Bardales; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Malaysia, Dato' Saifuddin bin Abdullah; the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique, José Condungua Antonio Pacheco; the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of Ecuador, José Valencia; the Minister for National Development Planning of Indonesia, Bambang Brodjonegoro; the Minister for Investment and International Cooperation of Egypt, Sahar Ahmed Mohamed Abdelmoneim Nasr; the Minister for Financial Services, Trade and Industry and Immigration of the Bahamas, Theodore Brent Symonette; the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Oatar, Soltan bin Saad Al-Muraikhi; and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Maldives, Abdulla Shahid.
- 17. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 20 March 2019, the Conference heard statements by [*To be completed*]
- 18. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 March 2019, the Conference heard statements by [*To be completed*]
- 19. At its 4th plenary meeting, on 22 March 2019, the Conference heard statements by [*To be completed*]

IV. Report on the interactive panel discussions

Comparative advantages and opportunities of South-South cooperation and sharing of experiences, best practices and success stories (Panel 1)

20. [To be completed]

Challenges and the strengthening of the institutional framework of South-South cooperation and triangular cooperation (Panel 2)

21. [To be completed]

Scaling up the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in support of South-South cooperation and triangular cooperation (Panel 3)

22. [To be completed]

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V. Report of the Credentials Committee

- 23. At its 4th plenary meeting, the Conference considered the report of the Credentials Committee (A/CONF.235/_).
- 24. [To be completed]

VI. Outcome of the Conference

- 25. At its 4th plenary meeting, the Conference had before it a draft resolution on the outcome of the Conference entitled "Buenos Aires outcome document of the second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation", submitted by the President of the Conference (A/CONF.235/L.1). The Buenos Aires outcome document was before the conference in document A/CONF.235/3.
- 26. [To be completed]

VII. Adoption of the report of the Conference

- 27. At the 4th plenary meeting, the Rapporteur-General introduced the present draft report of the Conference.
- 28. [To be completed]

VIII. Closure of the Conference

29. [To be completed]

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Annex

List of documents

[To be completed]

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