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*The meeting was called to order at 3.15 p.m.*

**Agenda item 89: Eradication of poverty and other development issues** (*continued*) (A/C.2/59/L.56)

*Draft resolution on the importance of further strengthening efforts towards achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, in the promotion of peace* (A/C.2/59/L.56)

1. **Mr. Al-Mahmoud** (Qatar) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.56 on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

**Agenda item 39: Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance** (*continued*)

**(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions** (*continued*) (A/C.2/59/L.33, L.39/Rev.1 and L.44/Rev.1)

*Draft resolution on assistance to Mozambique* (A/C.2/59/L.33)

2. **The Chairman** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.33 and announced that Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Canada, China, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Lebanon, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Senegal, Spain, the Sudan, Tunisia, Uganda and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland had become sponsors of the draft resolution.

3. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.33 was adopted.*

*Draft resolution on humanitarian assistance and rehabilitation for Ethiopia* (A/C.2/59/L.39/Rev.1)

4. **The Chairman**, after noting that Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bolivia, Hungary and Lebanon had become sponsors of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.39/Rev.1, invited the Committee to take action on it.

5. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.39/Rev.1 was adopted.*

*Draft resolution on assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Liberia* (A/C.2/59/L.44/Rev.1)

6. **The Chairman** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.44/Rev.1. He announced that Angola, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Guinea-Bissau, Jamaica, Lebanon, Mozambique, Namibia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, the Sudan and Sweden had become sponsors of the draft resolution.

7. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.44/Rev.1 was adopted.*

**Agenda item 85: Sustainable development** (*continued*)

**(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development** (*continued*) (A/C.2/59/L.6, L.15, L.52 and L.57)

*Draft resolutions on the activities undertaken during the International Year of Freshwater, 2003, preparations for the International Decade for Action, "Water for Life", 2005-2015, and further efforts to achieve the sustainable development of water resources* (A/C.2/59/L.15 and L.52)

8. **Ms. Anzorge** (Poland), Vice-Chairman, introducing draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.52, which she was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.15, said that the word "and" between the words "work" and "contributions" in the third line of paragraph 2 should be replaced by the words "as well as".

9. Afghanistan, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bolivia, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, the Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mali, Malta, the Marshall Islands, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, the Netherlands, the Niger, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Samoa, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia and Montenegro, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Somalia,

South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Timor-Leste, Togo, Uganda, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America had become sponsors of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.52.

10. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.52, as orally revised, was adopted.*

11. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.15, was withdrawn.*

*Draft resolutions on the implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (A/C.2/59/L.6 and L.57)*

12. **Ms. Anzorge** (Poland), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.57, which she was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.6. In the fifth preambular paragraph, the word “also” should be inserted after the word “reaffirming” while in the sixth preambular paragraph, the word “further” should be inserted after the word “reaffirming”. In the tenth and eleventh preambular paragraphs, all occurrences of the word “would” should be replaced by the word “will”. In paragraph 9, the word “the” should be inserted after the word “from” in the second line. In the fourth line of paragraph 15, the word “Council” should be replaced by the words “Economic and Social Council”.

13. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.57, as orally revised, was adopted.*

14. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.6 was withdrawn.*

**(b) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (continued)**  
(A/59/409 and Corr.1)

*Oral decision on accreditation of non-governmental organizations to the International Meeting in Mauritius*

15. **The Chairman** read out the following oral decision concerning the accreditation of non-governmental organizations to the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States to be held in Mauritius:

*“The General Assembly,*

*Decides to approve the participation of non-governmental organizations contained in document A/59/409 and Corr.1 as observers in the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States to be held in Mauritius in January 2005, in accordance with rule 65 of the draft provisional rules of procedure of the International Meeting.”*

16. *The oral decision was adopted.*

**(f) Convention on Biological Diversity (continued)**  
(A/C.2/59/L.12 and L.55)

*Draft resolutions on the Convention on Biological Diversity (A/C.2/59/L.12 and L.55)*

17. **Ms. Anzorge** (Poland), Vice-Chairman, introducing draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.55, which she was submitting on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.12, said that in paragraph 6, the word “also” should be inserted after the word “invites”.

18. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.55, as orally revised, was adopted.*

19. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.12 was withdrawn.*

**Agenda item 87: Globalization and interdependence (continued)**

**(b) International migration and development (continued)** (A/C.2/59/L.21 and L.54)

*Draft resolutions on international migration and development (A/C.2/59/L.21 and L.54)*

20. **Mr. Bernardini** (Italy), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.54, which he was submitting on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.21. In the fourth line of the eleventh preambular paragraph, the words “the need to ensure” should be inserted between the words “and” and “that”.

21. **Mr. Seth** (Secretary of the Committee), presenting an oral statement of the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.54, said, with respect to paragraphs 2 and 10, that the General

Assembly would reconfirm that the Secretary-General would report at the sixtieth session on the organizational details of the 2006 high-level dialogue and request the Secretary-General, within existing resources, to present a comprehensive overview of studies and analyses on the multidimensional aspects of migration and development. With regard to paragraph 2, the Secretariat would consider and report to the General Assembly on the related requirements within the context of the 2006-2007 proposed programme budget, which would be subject to decisions to be taken by the General Assembly at its sixtieth session on the report of the organizational details of the 2006 high-level dialogue.

22. Provision had been made in the programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 for implementing the terms of the resolution. Should the draft resolution be adopted, there would be no requirement for additional appropriations. He drew the Committee's attention to the provisions of section VI of General Assembly resolution 45/248 B of 21 December 1990, in which the Assembly reaffirmed that the Fifth Committee was the appropriate Main Committee of the Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters and reaffirmed also the role of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

23. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.54 was adopted.*

24. *Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.21 was withdrawn.*

*The meeting rose at 3.55 p.m.*