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**Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow up
to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and
summits in the economic, social and related fields**

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[without reference to a Main Committee ([A/78/L.8](#))]

**78/9. Commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the
United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of
Central Asia**

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolution [70/1](#) of 25 September 2015, entitled “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, by which it adopted a comprehensive, far-reaching and people-centred set of universal and transformative Sustainable Development Goals and targets,

Taking note of the aims and purposes of the Tashkent Declaration of 26 March 1998,¹ by which the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia was established,

Welcoming the progress achieved in the Central Asian countries, their integration with economies of Europe and Asia and their contribution to global economic growth,

Recognizing shared interests in the further development of regional cooperation among the Central Asian countries for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and advancing good-neighbourly relations,

Welcoming the contribution and support of the Economic Commission for Europe and the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, as well as Member States and international financial institutions, extended for promoting and strengthening cooperation among the Central Asian countries,

Noting that 2023 marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Special Programme,

¹ [A/53/96](#), annex II.



1. *Congratulates* the participating States of the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Special Programme, and recognizes its significant role as a regional programme that promotes mutual understanding, economic cooperation and regional development;
2. *Encourages* the participating States of the Special Programme and the United Nations to explore the possibility of establishing a United Nations multi-partner trust fund for the effective and timely mobilization of financial resources for the implementation of projects under the Special Programme;
3. *Calls for* consistent involvement of the Economic Commission for Europe and the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in further supporting and strengthening the activities of the Special Programme;
4. *Invites* all Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and other international, regional and subregional organizations to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Special Programme by participating in the relevant commemorative activities;
5. *Stresses* that the cost of all activities that may arise from the implementation of the present resolution should be met through voluntary contributions, including from the private sector.

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