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Macroeconomic policy questions: promotion of inclusive and effective international cooperation on tax matters at the United Nations

Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 24 December 2024

[*on the report of the Second Committee (A/79/435/Add.6, para. 16)*]

79/235. Promotion of inclusive and effective international tax cooperation at the United Nations

The General Assembly,

Guided by the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations,

Reaffirming its resolution 69/313 of 27 July 2015 on the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development,

Reaffirming also its resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”,

Recalling its resolutions 77/244 of 30 December 2022 and 78/230 of 22 December 2023 on the promotion of inclusive and effective international tax cooperation at the United Nations,

Looking forward to the convening of the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development, from 30 June to 3 July 2025, in Seville, Spain,

Recognizing the importance and benefit of developing a United Nations Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation that would receive broad support,

1. *Takes note of the report on the second session of the Ad Hoc Committee to Draft Terms of Reference for a United Nations Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation,¹ and welcomes the completion by the Ad Hoc Committee of its work;*

¹ A/79/333.



2. *Decides* to adopt the terms of reference for a United Nations Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation as contained in annex I to the report on the second session of the Ad Hoc Committee;²

3. *Also decides* to establish a Member State-led, open-ended intergovernmental negotiating committee for the purpose of drafting the United Nations Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation and two early protocols simultaneously in accordance with the terms of reference;

4. *Further decides* that the intergovernmental negotiating committee shall meet in 2025, 2026 and 2027 for at least three substantive sessions per year, in New York and at other United Nations locations, including Nairobi, of a duration of no more than 10 working days per session, and may convene additional sessions as necessary;

5. *Decides* that the intergovernmental negotiating committee shall convene an organizational session in New York from 3 to 6 February 2025 to address and conclude organizational matters, including decision-making rules of the committee, and decide on the subject of the second early protocol, which shall be drawn from the list of specific priority areas set out in the terms of reference;³

6. *Also decides* that the Bureau of the intergovernmental negotiating committee shall consist of a Chair, 18 Vice-Chairs and a Rapporteur, elected on the basis of equitable geographical representation and taking into account gender balance;

7. *Stresses* that Member States should be fully engaged in the negotiation of the framework convention and endeavour to ensure continuity in their representation;

8. *Invites* the Chair of the intergovernmental negotiating committee, in consultation with the Bureau, to consider convening informal consultations between sessions, as required, in the most efficient and effective manner;

9. *Recognizes* that, throughout its work, the intergovernmental negotiating committee should take into consideration the work of other relevant forums, potential synergies and the existing tools, strengths, expertise and complementarities available in the multiple institutions involved in tax cooperation at the international, regional and local levels;

10. *Encourages* international organizations, civil society and other relevant stakeholders to contribute to the work of the intergovernmental negotiating committee in accordance with established practices;

11. *Requests* the intergovernmental negotiating committee to complete its work and submit the final text of the framework convention and of the two early protocols to the General Assembly for its consideration in the first quarter of its eighty-second session;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the intergovernmental negotiating committee with the necessary facilities and resources, including a technical secretariat from the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management and a substantive secretariat from the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, to support its work;

13. *Encourages* Member States and other relevant stakeholders in a position to do so to assist in ensuring the full and effective participation of developing countries, including in particular the least developed countries, in the negotiation of

² Ibid., annex I.

³ Ibid., para. 16.

the framework convention, including by covering travel and local expenses and through capacity-building;

14. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its eightieth session, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, the sub-item entitled “Promotion of inclusive and effective international tax cooperation at the United Nations”.

*55th (resumed) plenary meeting
24 December 2024*
