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Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

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[without reference to a Main Committee ([A/77/L.21](#))]

77/21. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution [53/6](#) of 15 October 1998, in which it invited the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) to participate as an observer in its sessions and work, as well as its resolution [75/269](#) of 25 March 2021,

Recalling also the decision of the Economic and Social Council of 20 May 1971 to extend a standing invitation to the OECD to be represented by an observer at future sessions of that Council and to participate, with the approval of the Council and without the right to vote, in the Council's debates on questions of concern to the OECD,

Recalling further all relevant United Nations resolutions in which it is recognized that cooperation between the United Nations and international organizations such as the OECD can further contribute to addressing several challenges of an economic, social, or environmental character, among others,

Acknowledging the role of cooperation between the United Nations and the OECD in advancing the interests of Member States, within their respective mandates, in achieving sustainable development in its three dimensions – economic, social and environmental – in a balanced and integrated manner,

Reaffirming its commitment to effective international cooperation and reinvigorated multilateralism in the global response to a fragile and highly uncertain global socioeconomic outlook, amid the ongoing coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic and its consequences, the adverse impacts of climate change, biodiversity



loss, desertification, pollution and other environmental degradation aspects, rising geopolitical tensions and conflicts, and acknowledging the benefits that the cooperation between the United Nations and the OECD can bring in the sustainable, inclusive and resilient recovery from such crises,

Welcoming the commitment made by OECD ministers, in 2015, to promote the OECD contribution to the success of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,¹ as well as the ensuing OECD Action Plan on the Sustainable Development Goals,

Welcoming also the renewed commitment by OECD ministers, on the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of the OECD, to contribute to the inclusive and sustainable development of the world economy and to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and to continue to enhance engagement with other multilateral institutions, notably the United Nations,

Acknowledging the role of initiatives at the regional level in supporting sustainable development, and in this context taking note of the important contribution of all OECD regional programmes, as well as the recent agreement by OECD ministers to define a new partnership with Africa, working jointly with the African Union and other regional organizations, and the strategic priority accorded by the OECD to South East Asia, including the recent signature of a memorandum of understanding between the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the OECD,

Acknowledging also that cooperation between the United Nations and the OECD can contribute to addressing the specific challenges of developing countries, including those in special situations, notably through initiatives such as the dialogue on development cooperation between small island developing States and the Development Assistance Committee of the OECD, and noting the ongoing discussions at the United Nations on the need to develop measurements of progress on sustainable development that complement or go beyond gross domestic product in order to have a more inclusive approach to international cooperation,

Noting the cooperation and coordination efforts undertaken in accordance with existing arrangements between the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat and the OECD secretariat and between United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and the OECD,

Convinced that increased and enhanced cooperation between the United Nations and the OECD in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and the Convention on the OECD will contribute to achieving the respective aims of both organizations,

1. *Welcomes* the strengthening of cooperation between the United Nations and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), within their respective mandates and in line with Member State priorities, to accelerate the pace of implementation of the 2030 Agenda and achieve its Sustainable Development Goals;
2. *Emphasizes* the importance of optimal coordination and cooperation between the United Nations and the OECD to create synergies within their respective mandates in the pursuit of inclusive and sustainable development;
3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its seventy-ninth session on the implementation of the present resolution;

¹ Resolution [70/1](#).

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, the sub-item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)”.

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