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## Indonesia\*: draft resolution

## Special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda

## The General Assembly,

*Recalling* its resolutions 51/177 of 16 December 1996 on the implementation of the outcome of the Second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and 52/192 of 18 December 1997 on follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and the future role of the Commission on Human Settlements,

Also recalling that, in paragraph 13 of its resolution 51/177, the General Assembly reaffirmed that the Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter of the United Nations, together with the Commission on Human Settlements, should constitute a three-tiered intergovernmental mechanism to oversee the coordination of activities for the implementation of the Habitat Agenda,<sup>1</sup>

*Recalling* paragraph 218 of the Habitat Agenda, adopted by the Second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), held at Istanbul from 3 to 14 June 1996, in which the Conference recommended that the General Assembly consider holding a special session in the year 2001 for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the Conference,

*Further recalling* its resolution 52/190 of 18 December 1997, in which it, *inter alia*, decided to hold a special session of the General Assembly in the year 2001 for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference

<sup>\*</sup> On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Report of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), Istanbul, 3–14 June 1996 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.97.IV.6), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

on Human Settlements (Habitat II), the modalities of which were to be decided on at its fifty-third session,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on proposals on the scope and organizational aspects of the special session of the General Assembly on the overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda,<sup>2</sup>

1. *Takes note*, with appreciation, of the report of the Secretary-General concerning the modalities for the special session of the General Assembly for an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda;<sup>3</sup>

2. *Decides* that the special session will be held in June 2001 for a period of five working days;

3. *Decides* to designate the Commission on Human Settlements to serve as the preparatory committee for the special session;

4. *Also decides* that the Commission, meeting as the preparatory committee for the special session, shall be open-ended to allow full participation of all Member States;

5. *Invites* representatives of local authorities, other Habitat Agenda partners and relevant actors of civil society, particularly the private sector and non-governmental organizations, in the field of adequate shelter for all and sustainable human settlements development, to contribute to the preparatory process, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Commission and the relevant provisions of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996;

6. Also invites the Commission, serving as the preparatory committee, to meet for two working days back-to-back with its forthcoming seventeenth session in order to, *inter alia*, elect its officers, adopt appropriate rules of procedure and consider the organization of work for its first substantive session, to be held in April–May 2000 at Nairobi for five working days, and invites the preparatory committee at its first substantive session to consider the modalities for the second substantive session, to be held in 2001;

7. *Requests* the Commission, at its seventeenth session, to make practical arrangements for devoting its regular session to the preparatory process and to make recommendation to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session;

8. *Invites* the Commission, at its seventeenth session, to include in its agenda an item entitled "Preparations for the special session of the General Assembly on the implementation of the Habitat Agenda";

9. *Also invites* the Economic and Social Council to devote its high-level segment in 2000 to human settlements issues and the implementation of the Habitat Agenda;

10. *Further invites* the Economic and Social Council to actively promote and coordinate the role of the regional commissions in the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda at the regional and subregional levels;

11. *Invites* the regional commissions, within their mandates and in cooperation with regional intergovernmental organizations, as well as banks, to consider convening high-level meetings to review the progress made in implementing the outcome of the Conference, and to report the results of their review to the Economic and Social Council;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A/53/267.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See A/53/267.

12. *Requests* other relevant organizations and agencies of the United Nations system, consistent with their respective mandates, to strongly contribute to the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Habitat Agenda at the national, regional and global levels;

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session on the implementation of the present resolution;

14. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session a sub-item entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)".