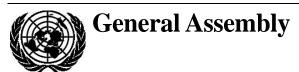
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International Day for the Promotion and Protection of Telework

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 56/183 of 21 December 2001 and the commitments made at the World Summit on the Information Society,

Aware that telework is a form of work that is performed remotely through the use of information and communications technology,

Taking into account that the use of new informatics systems allows for remote communication and working, reduces transportation needs, greenhouse gas emissions and production costs, allows the incorporation of more people into the labour market and improves performance and the conditions of personal and family life,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67 of 25 July 1980 on international years and anniversaries and General Assembly resolutions 53/199 of 15 December 1998 and 61/185 of 20 December 2006 on the proclamation of international years,

Recognizing that 16 September marks the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer,

Acknowledging that telework could involve an essential contribution to environmental care and protection through the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions,

- 1. Decides to proclaim 16 September as International Day for the Promotion and Protection of Telework;
- 2. *Invites* all Member States, United Nations system organizations, other international and regional organizations and civil society, including non-governmental

^{*} On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.







organizations and individuals, to properly observe the International Day for the Promotion and Protection of Telework through educational and awareness-raising activities;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of all Member States, United Nations system organizations and civil society organizations to ensure proper observance of the International Day.

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