



Permanent Mission of Cameroon
to the United Nations



Permanent Mission of Monaco
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Excellency,

In our capacity as co-facilitators for the consultations on the scope, modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action and following our meetings of 24 and 25 May 2011, we have the honour to forward the revised draft resolution pursuant to resolution 65/240 of 24 December 2010.

We will convene our next consultation on 3 June 2011 at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6 of the NLB.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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“Scope, modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action”

The General Assembly,

PP1 *Recalling* its resolution 64/148 of 26 March 2010, which, inter alia, called for the tenth year commemoration of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action adopted by the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance;

PP2 *Recalling also* its resolution 65/240 of 24 December 2010, by which it decided to hold a one-day high-level meeting of the General Assembly at the level of Heads of State and Government on the second day of the general debate of the sixty-sixth session, on the theme “Victims of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance: recognition, justice and development”;

OP1 Decides that the high-level meeting will be held on Thursday, 22 September 2011, consisting of an opening plenary meeting from 9 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., two consecutive round tables from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and a closing plenary meeting from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The morning meeting of the General Debate on that day will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. That arrangement does not constitute a precedent;

OP2 Decides that the speakers at the opening plenary will be the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the High-Commissioner for Human Rights, the Head of State of South Africa, one speaker from each regional group, as well as a selected representative of a non-governmental organization active in the field of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance;

OP3 Decides that the organizational arrangements of the round-tables will be as follows:

- (a) The round-tables will address the overall theme of “Victims of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance: recognition, justice and development;
- (b) Each round-table will be co-chaired by two Heads of State or Government to be invited by the President of the General Assembly after consultations with the regional groups;

- (c) In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions, participation in each round-table will include Member States, observers, representatives of entities of the United Nations system, the experts as indicated in document A/C.5/65/12, section IV paragraph 8b, a member of the Working Group of experts on people of African Descent, as well as selected representatives of civil society organizations and non-governmental organizations that are active in the field of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance;
- (d) Accredited delegates, observers and selected non-governmental organizations that are active in the field of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance will be able to follow the proceedings of the round-table sessions in the overflow room;
- (e) The proceedings of the round-tables shall be webcast to the general public;

OP4 *Invites* the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, and Palestine, in its capacity as observer, as well as the European Union in its capacity as observer, to participate in the preparatory activities and in the high-level meeting;

OP 5 *Invites* the President of the General Assembly to draw up a list of representatives of civil society organizations, including non-governmental organizations active in the field of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia, and related forms of intolerances and taking into account the principle of equitable geographical representation and to submit the list to Member States for consideration on a no-objection basis, for participation in the high-level meeting;

OP6 *Reiterates* its call for States to be represented at the high-level meeting, at the highest possible political level, including at the level of Heads of State and Government;

OP7 *Decides* that the closing plenary meeting will comprise the presentation of summaries of the discussions by the Co-Chairs of the round-tables and the adoption of a short and concise political declaration.