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In the absence of Ms. Ochir (Mongolia), Mr. Lundberg (Finland), Vice-Chairperson, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 10.15 a.m.

Agenda item 18: Macroeconomic policy questions
(continued)

(c) External debt sustainability and development
(continued) (A/C.2/65/L.6 and L.59)

Draft resolutions on external debt sustainability and development (A/C.2/65/L.6 and L.59)

1. **The Chairperson** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.59, which he was submitting in his capacity as Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.6. The draft resolution had no programme budget implications.
2. **Mr. Landveld** (Suriname) announced minor drafting changes in the thirteenth and seventeenth preambular paragraphs of the draft resolution.
3. **Ms. Montel** (France) questioned the rendering of the expression “debt sustainability” in the French title of the draft resolution.
4. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.59, as orally revised, was adopted.*
5. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.6 was withdrawn.*

Agenda item 19: Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2008 Review Conference (continued) (A/C.2/65/L.7, L.37, L.53 and L.57)

Draft resolutions on the follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development (A/C.2/65/L.7 and L.53)

6. **The Chairperson** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.53, which he was submitting in his capacity as Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.7. The draft resolution had no programme budget implications.
7. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.53 was adopted.*
8. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.7 was withdrawn.*

Draft resolutions on innovative mechanisms of financing for development (A/C.2/65/L.37 and L.57)

9. **The Chairperson** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.57, which he was submitting in his capacity as Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.37. The draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

10. **Ms. Montel** (France) drew attention to some inconsistency in the rendering of the English word “innovative” in the French text of the draft resolution.

11. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.57 was adopted.*

12. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.37 was withdrawn.*

Agenda item 20: Sustainable development (continued)
(A/C.2/65/L.42 and L.70)

Draft resolutions on the International Year for Sustainable Energy for All (A/C.2/65/L.42 and L.70)

13. **The Chairperson** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.70, which was being submitted by Ms. Würtz (Hungary), Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.42. He took it that the Committee was prepared to waive the 24-hour provision under rule 120 of the rules of procedure.

14. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Committee), speaking on the financial implications of draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.70 and referring to paragraphs 1 and 3 thereof and paragraphs 13, 14 and 21 of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67, said that the Secretary-General would organize and finance the activities connected with the international year in principle through voluntary contributions, and expenditures incurred in celebrating the international year would be met from existing resources in the regular budget. Furthermore, it was the understanding of the Secretariat that conference services for meetings and documentation related to the celebration would be provided on an “if available” basis. Therefore, should the draft resolution be adopted, no additional requirements would arise under the programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011.

15. **Ms. Delieux** (Belgium), speaking on behalf of the European Union in explanation of position, said that the European Union was pleased to join the consensus

on the draft resolution. However, it was the European Union's understanding that while implementing the resolution, the Secretary-General would be mindful of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67, in particular paragraph 21 thereof, which stated that expenditures should normally be met from existing resources in the regular budget. The Secretary-General therefore should not seek any extrabudgetary resources to fund the international year.

16. **Mr. Puri** (India) said that the celebration of 2012 as the "International Year for Sustainable Energy for All" should foster global policy campaigns and actions in favour of economically viable, sustainable, affordable and efficient access to energy for all. However, that would require a transformational shift in the global energy system, transfer of technology and financial support to developing countries, and a fundamental behavioural shift in energy consumption. His delegation commended UN Energy and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization for their efforts to promote access to energy and energy efficiency worldwide.

17. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.70 was adopted.*

18. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.42 was withdrawn.*

(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States *(continued)*
(A/C.2/65/L.40 and L.60)

Draft resolutions on the follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/C.2/65/L.40 and L.60)

19. **The Chairperson** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.60, which was being submitted by Ms. Würtz (Hungary), Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/64/L.40. The draft resolution had no programme budget implications. He took it that the Committee was prepared to waive the 24-hour provision under rule 120 of the rules of procedure.

20. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.60 was adopted.*

21. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.40 was withdrawn.*

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction
(continued) (A/C.2/65/L.27 and L.58)

Draft resolutions on the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (A/C.2/65/L.27 and L.58)

22. **The Chairperson** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.58, which was being submitted by Ms. Würtz (Hungary), Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.27.

23. **Ms. de Laurentis** (Secretary of the Committee), speaking on the financial implications of draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.58 and referring to paragraph 15 thereof, said that the Secretary-General would consider how best to support the implementation of the natural disaster reduction strategy in the light of the important role played by the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction secretariat with a view to ensuring adequate resources for the operation of the secretariat and bringing the outcome of such consideration and assessment to the attention of the General Assembly for such action as might be necessary. Accordingly, should the General Assembly adopt the draft resolution, no additional requirements would arise under the programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011.

24. She also drew attention to the provisions of section VI of General Assembly resolution 45/248 B of 21 December 1990, in which the Assembly had reaffirmed that the Fifth Committee was the appropriate Main Committee of the Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters and had reaffirmed also the role of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

25. **Ms. Würtz** (Hungary) said that the last segment of paragraph 19 of draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.58 should read: "through the implementation of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction, including the Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015, and encourages the institutional arrangements for the Strategy to continue its work in this regard".

26. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.58, as orally revised, was adopted.*

27. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.27 was withdrawn.*

28. **Ms. Gadkowski** (United States of America), in explanation of position, said that her country remained

a committed partner in working with Member States and the United Nations to support the mission of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction and the work of its secretariat in helping to reduce and, in some cases, eliminate the human tragedy wrought by natural disasters. Although her country recognized the need for sufficient funding so that the secretariat could successfully carry out its mandate, it believed any request for funding should be considered in the context of the existing allocation of resources for natural disaster reduction in the programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011.

Agenda item 21: Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) *(continued)* (A/C.2/65/L.36 and L.63)

Draft resolutions on implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (A/C.2/65/L.36 and L.63)

29. **The Chairperson** invited the Committee to take action on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.63, which was being submitted by Ms. Würtz (Hungary), Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/64/L.36. The draft resolution had no programme budget implications. He took it that the Committee was prepared to waive the 24-hour rule under rule 120 of the rules of procedure.

30. **Ms. Würtz** (Hungary), Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, said that in paragraph 2, the word “noting” should be replaced by “notes”.

31. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.63, as orally corrected, was adopted.*

32. *Draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.36 was withdrawn.*

Agenda item 26: Agriculture development and food security *(continued)* (A/C.2/65/L.16)

Draft resolution on the International Year of Quinoa, 2012 (A/C.2/65/L.16)

33. **Mr. Loayza Barea** (Plurinational State of Bolivia), speaking as the main sponsor of the draft resolution, said that as the draft resolution would continue to be discussed in 2011 during the current

session, his delegation requested that the agenda item on agriculture development and food security should remain open.

34. **The Chairperson** took it that the Committee therefore agreed not to take any action on draft resolution A/C.2/65/L.16.

35. *It was so decided.*

The meeting rose at 11 a.m.