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Draft report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries on its second session

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Introduction

1. The Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries held its second session at United Nations Headquarters, New York, from 2 to 3 October 2014, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 68/270 of 23 April 2014.

I. Organization of work

A. Opening of the session

B. Election of officers

2. The second session of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee for the Second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries was opened at United Nations Headquarters, New York, on Thursday, 2 October 2014

by the Co-Chair, His Excellency Khiane Phansourivong (the Lao People's Democratic Republic).

3. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 2 October, the Preparatory Committee was informed that Her Excellency Signe Burgstaller (Sweden), Co-Chair of the Committee, had completed her tour of duty with the Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations and could no longer perform the duties of the Co-Chair. Thus, the Preparatory Committee proceeded to elect, by acclamation, His Excellency Per Thöresson (Sweden) as Co-Chair of the Preparatory Committee.

4. At the same meeting, opening statements were made by the Co-Chairs; Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and Secretary-General of the Second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries; His Excellency Yamfwa Mukanga, Minister of Transport, Works, Supply and Communications of Zambia, as Chair of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries; and a representative of the host country.

C. Adoption of the agenda and programme of work

5. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 2 October, the Preparatory Committee adopted the provisional agenda for its second session (A/CONF.225/PC/6), as follows:

1. Opening of the session.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work of the second session of the intergovernmental Preparatory Committee.
3. Election of officers.
4. Preparations for the Conference.
5. Approval of the draft outcome document for submission to the Conference.
6. Other matters.
7. Adoption of the report of the intergovernmental Preparatory Committee.

6. Also at the same meeting, the Preparatory Committee agreed to the proposals by the Co-Chairs that:

- 1) The Preparatory Committee convene in an informal setting in order to proceed directly with negotiations on the outcome document;

2) The Preparatory Committee, taking note of the length of the outcome document and the stage of negotiations so far, formally suspended its work in order to allow the resources allocated to the meeting in the afternoon of 3 October to be directed instead to a plenary meeting on 22 October for the adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee and any other decisions including transmittal of the outcome document to the Conference.

7. The Preparatory Committee approved the proposed organization of work contained in A/CONF.225/PC/6, as orally revised, with the understanding that further adjustments would be made, as necessary.

D. Preparations for the Conference

8. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 2 October, the Preparatory Committee was informed that an information note for participants to the Conference had been issued as document A/CONF.225/INF/1, and that inscriptions to the list of speakers of the Conference was open.

9. At the same meeting, the Preparatory Committee was informed that a programme of work for the Conference was available on the Conference website: <http://www.lldc2conference.org/>. In addition to plenary meetings, the Conference would consist of high-level interactive thematic roundtables, a high-level Private Sector, Business and Investment Forum, as well as a number of side events.

10. Also at the same meeting, the attention of the Preparatory Committee was drawn to document A/CONF.225/PC/7, on the accreditation of private sector and civil society organizations to the Second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries, for a final decision on 22 October.

II. Recommendations to the Conference

11. At its ___ plenary meeting, on ___ October, the Preparatory Committee considered agenda item 5 entitled “Approval of the draft outcome document for submission to the Conference”. The Preparatory Committee heard statements by the representatives of ___ *[to be inserted]*.

12. At the same meeting, the Preparatory Committee decided to recommend to the Committee of the Whole of the Conference, for its consideration, the draft outcome document, as contained in Annex I of this report.

III. Adoption of the report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Committee

13. At the __ plenary meeting on __ October, the Rapporteur introduced the draft report of the Preparatory Committee as contained in conference room paper (A/CONF.225/PC/CRP.2), available in English only.

14. At the same meeting, the Preparatory Committee adopted the draft report and authorized the Rapporteur to finalize it in light of the proceedings of the closing plenary meeting.

Annex I

Draft outcome document

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Annex II

Attendance

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