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Follow up to the outcome of the special session on children

Report of the Second Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 19th meeting, on 20 September 2002, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-seventh session the item entitled “Follow up to the outcome of the special session on children” and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee considered the item in conjunction with item 88, entitled “Operational activities for development”, at its 18th and 19th meetings, on 28 October, and at its 37th meeting, on 18 November 2002. An account of the Committee’s discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/57/SR.18, 19 and 37). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 3rd to 8th meetings, from 30 September to 3 October (see A/C.2/57/SR.3-8).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Letter dated 22 August 2002 from the Chargé d’affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the text of the Koizumi Initiative (Concrete Actions of the Japanese Government to be Taken for Sustainable Development — Towards Global Sharing), announced in Tokyo on 21 August 2002 (A/57/350);

(b) Letter dated 20 September 2002 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the documents of the twenty-ninth session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held at Khartoum from 25 to 27 June 2002 (A/57/422-S/2002/1064);

(c) Letter dated 21 August 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the

Declaration adopted by the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 77 at their twenty-sixth annual meeting, held at United Nations Headquarters on 19 September 2002 (A/57/444).

4. At the 18th meeting, on 28 October, the Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund made an introductory statement (see A/C.2/57/SR.18).

II. Draft decision proposed orally by the Chairman

5. At the 37th meeting, on 18 November, the Chairman orally proposed a draft decision, which was adopted by the Committee (see para. 7).

6. Following the adoption of the draft decision, a statement was made by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic (see A/C.2/57/SR.37).

III. Recommendation of the Second Committee

7. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children

The General Assembly decides that the item entitled "Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children" should be considered by the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session in plenary meeting.
