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Chapter

Attendance and organization of work

A. Date and place of the Assembly

1. The Second World Assembly on Ageing was held in Madrid from 8 to 12 April 2002, in conformity with General Assembly resolution 54/262 of 25 May 2000. During that period the Assembly held ... plenary meetings.

B. Attendance

2. The following States were represented at the Assembly:

Afghanistan
Albania
Algeria
Andorra
Angola
Argentina
Armenia
Australia
Austria
Azerbaijan
Bahamas
Bahrain
Bangladesh
Barbados
Belgium
Belize
Benin
Bhutan
Bolivia

Bosnia and Herzegovina
Botswana
Brazil
Brunei Darussalam
Bulgaria
Burkina Faso
Burundi
Cambodia
Cameroon
Canada
Cape Verde
Chad
Chile
China
Colombia
Costa Rica
Côte d'Ivoire
Croatia
Cuba

Cyprus	Malawi
Czech Republic	Malaysia
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Maldives
Denmark	Mali
Dominican Republic	Malta
Ecuador	Mauritania
Egypt	Mauritius
El Salvador	Mexico
Equatorial Guinea	Micronesia (Federated States of)
Eritrea	Monaco
Estonia	Mongolia
Ethiopia	Morocco
Finland	Mozambique
France	Myanmar
Gabon	Namibia
Gambia	Nepal
Germany	Netherlands
Ghana	New Zealand
Greece	Nicaragua
Guatemala	Nigeria
Guinea	Norway
Guinea-Bissau	Oman
Guyana	Pakistan
Haiti	Panama
Holy See	Paraguay
Honduras	Peru
Hungary	Philippines
Iceland	Poland
India	Portugal
Indonesia	Qatar
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Republic of Korea
Iraq	Republic of Moldova
Ireland	Romania
Israel	Russian Federation
Italy	Rwanda
Jamaica	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Japan	Saudi Arabia
Jordan	Senegal
Kazakhstan	Sierra Leone
Kenya	Singapore
Kuwait	Slovakia
Kyrgyzstan	Slovenia
Lao People's Democratic Republic	South Africa
Latvia	Spain
Lebanon	Sri Lanka
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Sudan
Liechtenstein	Suriname
Lithuania	Sweden
Luxembourg	Switzerland
Madagascar	Syrian Arab Republic

Thailand	United Republic of Tanzania
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	United States of America
Togo	Uruguay
Trinidad and Tobago	Uzbekistan
Tunisia	Vanuatu
Turkey	Venezuela
Uganda	Viet Nam
Ukraine	Yemen
United Arab Emirates	Yugoslavia
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Zambia
	Zimbabwe

3. The following associate members of the United Nations regional commissions were represented by observers:

[A complete list of the participants will be incorporated in the final report of the Assembly]

4. The secretariats of the following United Nations regional commissions were represented:

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5. The following United Nations bodies and programmes were represented:

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6. The following specialized agencies and related organizations were represented:

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7. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented:

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8. A large number of non-governmental organizations attended the Assembly. The accredited non-governmental organizations are specified in decisions 2001/PC/3 and 2002/PC/1 of the first and second sessions of the Commission for Social Development acting as the preparatory committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing.

C. Welcoming ceremony

9. The Secretary-General of the United Nations welcomed Her Royal Highness the Infanta Doña Cristina, Good Will Ambassador to the Second World Assembly on Ageing. Her Royal Highness made a welcoming address to the Assembly.

D. Opening of the Assembly

10. The Assembly was opened, on 8 April 2002, by the Secretary-General of the United Nations. The Secretary-General made some welcoming remarks.

E. Election of the President and other officers of the Assembly

11. At its 1st, 2nd and ___ plenary meetings, on 8, 10 and ___ April 2002, upon the proposal of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the Assembly elected the following officials:

President of the Conference:

H.E. José Maria Aznar, President of the Government of the Kingdom of Spain, was elected President of the Assembly by acclamation.

Vice-Presidents:

African Group of States (seven Vice-Presidents): Algeria, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya and the Republic of South Africa.

Asian Group of States (six Vice-Presidents): China, Republic of Korea, the Philippines, the Syrian Arab Republic, ...

Eastern European Group of States (three Vice-Presidents): Bulgaria, Czech Republic and Ukraine.

Latin American and Caribbean Group of States (five Vice-Presidents): Argentina, Belize, Ecuador, Mexico and Suriname.

Group of Western European and Other States (six Vice-Presidents): Andorra, Austria, Germany, Italy, Malta and Monaco.

Election of the Vice-President ex officio of the Assembly:

H.E. D. Juan José Lucas Giménez, Minister of the Presidency of Spain, was elected, by acclamation, Vice-President ex officio of the Assembly.

Election of the Rapporteur-General:

H.E. Antoine Mifsud Bonnici, Parliamentary Secretary at the Ministry for Social Policy of Malta, was elected, by acclamation, Rapporteur-General of the Assembly.

Election of the Chairman of the Main Committee:

H.E. Felipe Paolillo of Uruguay was elected, by acclamation, as Chairman of the Main Committee of the Assembly.

F. Adoption of the rules of procedure

12. At its 1st meeting, on 8 April, the Assembly adopted the rules of procedure, as contained in document A/CONF.197/2.

G. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

13. At its 1st meeting, on 8 April, the Assembly adopted the agenda as contained in document A/CONF.197/1 as recommended by the preparatory committee in its resolution contained in document A/CONF.197/3. The agenda, as adopted, was as follows:

Agenda of the Second World Assembly on Ageing

1. Opening of the Assembly.
2. Election of the President.
3. Adoption of the rules of procedure.
4. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
5. Election of officers other than the President.
6. Organization of work, including establishment of the Main Committee.
7. Credentials of representatives to the Assembly:
 - (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
 - (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
8. General exchange of views.
9. Political Declaration and International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002.
10. Adoption of the report of the Assembly.

H. Organization of work, including the establishment of the Main Committee

14. At the 1st meeting, on 8 April, the Assembly approved the organization of work as contained in document A/CONF.197/4.

15. At the same meeting, the Assembly endorsed the proposals contained in document A/CONF.197/4 regarding the exchange of views and the composition of the Bureau of the Main Committee.

16. Also, at the same meeting, the Assembly approved the proposed timetable of work for the Assembly and the organization of meetings, as contained in document A/CONF.197/4.

I. Documentation

17. The documentation of the Assembly will be listed in an annex ____ [*to be completed*].

J. Credentials of representatives to the Conference

18. At its 1st meeting, on 8 April, on the proposal of the President, it was decided that the composition of the Credentials Committee be based on that of the Credentials Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations at its fifty-sixth session, as follows: China, Denmark, Jamaica, Lesotho, the Russian Federation, Senegal, Singapore, the United States of America and Uruguay. With regard to the report of the Credentials Committee, it was the understanding that if one of those States did not participate in the Assembly, it would be replaced by another State from the same regional group.
