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Draft programme of work of the Second Committee for the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

1. Information and communications technologies for development.
2. Macroeconomic policy questions:
 - (a) International trade and development;
 - (b) International financial system and development;
 - (c) External debt sustainability and development;
 - (d) Commodities.
3. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2008 Review Conference.
4. Sustainable development:
 - (a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development;
 - (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;
 - (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction;
 - (d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind;
 - (e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa;
 - (f) Convention on Biological Diversity;



- (g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme at its first universal session;
 - (h) Harmony with Nature;
 - (i) Sustainable mountain development.
- 5. 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).
- 6. Globalization and interdependence:
 - (a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence;
 - (b) Science and technology for development;
 - (c) Development cooperation with middle-income countries;
 - (d) Culture and development;
 - (e) International migration and development.¹
- 7. Groups of countries in special situations:
 - (a) Follow-up to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;
 - (b) Comprehensive ten-year Review Conference on the Implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action.
- 8. Eradication of poverty and other development issues:
 - (a) Implementation of the Second United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2008-2017);
 - (b) Women in development;
 - (c) Human resources development.
- 9. Operational activities for development:
 - (a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system;
 - (b) South-South cooperation.
- 10. Agriculture development, food security and nutrition.
- 11. Towards global partnerships.
- 12. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources.

¹ This sub-item is included in the draft programme of work for the sole purpose of holding a two-day high-level dialogue on international migration and development on 3 and 4 October 2013, after the general debate of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly at United Nations Headquarters.