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International Year of Camelids, 2016

The General Assembly,

Noting that camelids are strictly herbivorous, even-toed ungulate mammals that first appeared in America 45 million years ago,

Noting also that there are six living species of camelids, namely, dromedary camels, bactrian camels, llamas, alpacas, vicuñas and guanacos, in North Africa, South-West and Central Asia and South America,

Recognizing the economic and cultural importance of camelids in the lives of the people living in the areas where they are domesticated and used as a source of food and wool and as pack animals,

Convinced of the need to raise awareness at all levels to promote the protection of camelids and the consumption of the goods produced from these mammals in a sustainable manner,

Reaffirming Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67 of 25 July 1980 on international years and anniversaries and General Assembly resolutions 53/199 of 15 December 1998 and 61/185 of 20 December 2006 on the proclamation of international years,

1. *Decides* to declare 2016 the International Year of Camelids;
2. *Encourages* all Member States, the United Nations system and all other actors to take advantage of the International Year to promote awareness among the public of the economic and cultural importance of camelids and to foster the consumption of the goods produced from these mammals, including edible goods, in order to contribute to the eradication of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition;
3. *Invites* the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, mindful of provisions contained in the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67, to facilitate the implementation of the International Year in



collaboration with Governments, relevant organizations and non-governmental organizations and all other relevant stakeholders; and also invites the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to keep the General Assembly informed of the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution;

4. *Stresses* that the costs of all the activities that may arise from the implementation of the present resolution above and beyond those currently within the mandate of the lead agency should be met through voluntary contributions, including from the private sector;

5. *Invites* all relevant stakeholders to make voluntary contributions and to provide other forms of support to the International Year.
