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Agenda item 19 (b)

### **Sustainable development: 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**

**South Africa:\* draft resolution**

#### **Comprehensive review of United Nations system support for small island developing States**

*The General Assembly,*

*Reaffirming* the Declaration of Barbados<sup>1</sup> and the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,<sup>2</sup> the Mauritius Declaration<sup>3</sup> and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,<sup>4</sup> the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway (Samoa Pathway)<sup>5</sup> and the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg Plan of Implementation),<sup>6</sup> including chapter VII, on the sustainable development of small island developing States,

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\* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

<sup>1</sup> *Report of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Bridgetown, Barbados, 25 April-6 May 1994* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.94.I.18 and corrigenda), chap. I, resolution 1, annex I.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, annex II.

<sup>3</sup> *Report of the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Port Louis, Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.05.II.A.4 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex I.

<sup>4</sup> *Ibid.*, annex II.

<sup>5</sup> Resolution 69/15, annex.

<sup>6</sup> *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August-4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.



*Urging* the speedy implementation, in an effective manner, of the outcome document of the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, Samoa Pathway,

*Recalling* its resolution 69/217 of 19 December 2014, and in particular paragraph 12 thereof, in which it requested the Joint Inspection Unit to make recommendations in order to facilitate the work of the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session in determining, as soon as possible, and by no later than March 2015, the parameters for a comprehensive review of United Nations system support for small island developing States,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit containing the recommendations for the determination of parameters for the comprehensive review of United Nations system support for small island developing States;<sup>7</sup>

2. *Requests* the Joint Inspection Unit, on the basis of the recommendations and findings outlined in its report, to conduct a comprehensive review of United Nations system support for small island developing States, with a view to enhancing the overall effectiveness of such support and respective roles in supporting the sustainable development of small island developing States in order to ensure a coherent and coordinated approach by the United Nations system to further improve and strengthen its overall effectiveness and delivery with respect to small island developing States and the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,<sup>2</sup> the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States<sup>4</sup> and the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway,<sup>5</sup> and emphasizing that the review should be undertaken in the most efficient and cost-effective manner;

3. *Requests* that the initial findings of the review and the recommendations thereon be included in the regular report of the Secretary-General to be submitted to the General Assembly at its seventieth session under the sub-item entitled "Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States" of the item entitled "Sustainable development", and notes that the complete results should be included as an addendum to the report before the end of the seventieth session;

4. *Requests* the Joint Inspection Unit, taking into account the ongoing intergovernmental negotiation processes and the limited time frame available to present its initial findings, to begin, as soon as possible, its review in relation to recommendations 2, 3 and 4 of its report.

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<sup>7</sup> JIU/REP/2015/2.