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## Groups of countries in special situations

### Report of the Second Committee\*

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 18 September 2015, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventieth session the item entitled:

“Groups of countries in special situations:

“(a) Follow-up to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries;

“(b) Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries”

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on the item at its 23rd and 24th meetings, on 29 October 2015. An account of the Committee’s discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records.<sup>1</sup> Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 2nd to 6th meetings, from 7 to 9 October.<sup>2</sup> An account of the Committee’s further consideration of the item is provided in the addenda to the present report.

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

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Letter dated 6 October 2015 from the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Ministerial

\* The report of the Committee on this item is being issued in three parts, under the symbols [A/70/475](#), [A/70/475/Add.1](#) and [A/70/475/Add.2](#).

<sup>1</sup> [A/C.2/70/SR.23](#) and [A/C.2/70/SR.24](#).

<sup>2</sup> See [A/C.2/70/SR.2](#), [A/C.2/70/SR.3](#), [A/C.2/70/SR.4](#), [A/C.2/70/SR.5](#) and [A/C.2/70/SR.6](#).



Declaration adopted at the thirty-ninth annual meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Group of 77 ([A/70/410](#))

Letter dated 16 October 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Zambia to the United Nations in her capacity as Chair of the Bureau of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries addressed to the Secretary-General ([A/C.2/70/7](#))

**Item 23 (a)**

**Follow-up to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries**

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020 ([A/70/83-E/2015/75](#))

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation, effectiveness and added value of smooth transition measures ([A/70/292](#))

Report of the Secretary-General on the feasibility study for a United Nations technology bank for the least developed countries ([A/70/408](#))

Letter dated 7 October 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General, transmitting the Ministerial Declaration adopted at the annual ministerial meeting of the least developed countries, held in New York on 1 October 2015 ([A/C.2/70/2](#))

**Item 23 (b)**

**Follow-up to the second United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries**

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014-2024 ([A/70/305](#))

4. At the 23rd meeting, on 29 October, the Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States made an introductory statement under sub-items (a) and (b).

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