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Observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly

Report of the Sixth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The item entitled “Observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly” was included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly at the request of El Salvador.
2. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 18 September 2015, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.
3. The Sixth Committee considered the item at its 11th and 24th meetings, on 19 October and 10 November 2015. The views of the representatives who spoke during the Committee’s consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records ([A/C.6/70/SR.11](#) and 24).
4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a letter dated 10 July 2015 from the Permanent Representative of El Salvador to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General ([A/70/142](#)).

II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.6/70/L.7](#)

5. At the 11th meeting, on 19 October, the representative of El Salvador, on behalf of Canada, Chile, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, Hungary, India, Mali, Mongolia, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Sweden and Uruguay, introduced a draft resolution entitled “Observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly” ([A/C.6/70/L.7](#)). Subsequently, Denmark and Luxembourg joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.



6. At its 24th meeting, on 10 November, the Vice-Chair of the Committee announced that the Bureau had been informed by the delegation of El Salvador, on behalf of the sponsors, that, following consultations with interested delegations, the sponsors had proposed to defer a decision on the request for observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly to the seventy-first session of the Assembly.

7. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted a draft decision without a vote (see para. 8).

III. Recommendation of the Sixth Committee

8. The Sixth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee, decides to defer a decision on the request for observer status for the Community of Democracies in the General Assembly¹ to the seventy-first session of the Assembly.

¹ See [A/70/142](#).