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Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Martin Sajdik (Austria), on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution E/2013/L.11

Human settlements

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its relevant resolutions and decisions on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda¹ and other relevant General Assembly resolutions, including Assembly resolutions 66/288 of 27 July 2012, entitled “The future we want”, and 67/216 of 21 December 2012, entitled “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)”,

Acknowledging the work of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) towards attaining the goal of sustainable urban development and the implementation of the Habitat Agenda, as well as of other goals and targets relevant to human settlements,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda;²

2. *Also takes note* of the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) on its twenty-fourth session³ and the resolutions contained therein including resolution 24/15, in which the Governing Council approved the strategic plan for 2014-2019, resolution 24/1, in which it recommended that 31 October of every year should be designated as World Cities Day, and resolution 24/10 on urbanization and sustainable urban development in the post-2015 development agenda;

¹ *Report of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), Istanbul, 3-14 June 1996* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.97.IV.6), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

² E/2013/68.

³ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 8 (A/68/8)*.



3. *Encourages* Governments to initiate their preparations for the Third United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III), such as national reports assessing the implementation of the Habitat Agenda¹ and other relevant internationally agreed goals and targets, as well as identifying future policy directions for inclusion in a “New Urban Agenda”, and encourages the international community and Member States in a position to do so to provide financial support for Habitat III, including for the preparatory process;

4. *Emphasizes* the importance of ensuring consistency and coherence in the deliberations of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council on agenda items related to the work of UN-Habitat;

5. *Decides* to transmit to the General Assembly for consideration at its sixty-eighth session the report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda;²

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the Council for consideration at its substantive session of 2014 a report on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda.
