

Modalities of the Summit of the Future

Youth Mark-Up (9 August)

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 76/6 of 18 November 2021 following up on the Report of the Secretary-General entitled “Our Common Agenda”¹ in which it welcomes the rich and substantive report,

Recalling also the declaration on the commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the United Nations, (A/ RES/ 75/1) and recognizing that our challenges are interconnected and can only be addressed through stronger international cooperation and reinvigorated multilateralism, with the United Nations at the centre of our efforts, in line with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling also our pledge to strengthen global governance for the sake of present and future generations and our request to the Secretary-General to report back with recommendations to advance our common agenda and to respond to current and future challenges,

Recognizing that the collective well-being, safety and security of our nations and peoples are deeply intertwined, which requires us to work urgently and together, across borders and sectors, to address global risks and challenges, find viable solutions and accelerate the implementation of agreed frameworks, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals, as well as the Paris Agreement **adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030,**

Reaffirming also its resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, in which it adopted a comprehensive, far-reaching and people-centred set of universal and transformative Sustainable Development Goals and targets, its commitment to working tirelessly for the full implementation of the Agenda by 2030,

Reaffirming also its resolution 69/313 of 27 July 2015 on the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, which is an integral part of the 2030 Agenda, supports and complements it, helps to contextualize its means of implementation targets with concrete policies and actions and reaffirms the strong political commitment to address the challenge of financing, including its international architecture and creating an enabling environment at all levels for sustainable development in the spirit of global partnership and solidarity,

Further recognizing the clear linkages between the Our Common Agenda Report and the Sustainable Development Goals and Addis Ababa Action Agenda, and how proposals from the Our Common Agenda Report can accelerate the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, and the realization of Agenda 2030,

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Welcoming the summaries prepared by the President of the General Assembly of the informal thematic consultations of the General Assembly in connection with the report of the Secretary-General entitled “Our Common Agenda”,² in which proposals were identified for consideration by Member States as part of the preparations for the Summit of the Future,

Noting the importance of the modalities of the Summit of the Future being developed by Member States,

1. *Decides* that the Summit of the Future will be held on 17 and 18 September 2023, in New York;

Before 2. *Decides* that the theme of the Summit of the Future will be “XXX”, and that this Summit will highlight achievements, best practices, gaps and challenges;

2. *Further decides* to adopt an Outcome Document at the Summit (‘A Pact for the Future’);

3. *Also decides* that the Summit will consist of plenary meetings from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. with an opening segment to adopt the outcome document;

4. *Further decides* that at the opening the Summit will hear statements from the President of the General Assembly and the Secretary-General, **the Secretary General’s Envoy on Youth and representatives from youth, adolescents, and civil society, who will be appropriately selected;**

Before 4. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly, with the support of the Executive Office of the Secretary General and Secretary General’s Envoy on Youth, to organize and preside over an interactive multi-stakeholder hearing prior to the Summit in September 2023, with the active participation of representatives of Member States, observers of the General Assembly, and parliamentarians, representatives of non-governmental organizations in and not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, invited civil society organizations, national human rights institutions where they exist, academic institutions, youth and youth-led organizations, networks and movements, and the private sector, ensuring the participation and voices of women and girls as part of the preparatory process, and also requests the President to prepare a summary of the interactive multi-stakeholder hearing prior to the Summit of the Future;

Before 4. *Decides* that the Secretary General’s Envoy on Youth, in collaboration and partnership with youth, youth-led organizations, networks and movements, convenes a Youth Pre-Summit, supported by local, national and regional consultations, to be held between February and June 2023, with an aim to produce an outcome document supplementing the ‘A Pact for the Future’ and a clear engagement strategy on how the full, effective, meaningful and substantive inclusion, engagement, participation and leadership of youth, in all their diversity, will be realized throughout all processes leading up to the Summit of the Future and the Summit itself in September;

Before 4. *Decides* to dedicate a segment of the Summit of the Future programme of work to facilitate exchanges between youth representatives of Member States, Member State representatives, and Heads of State or Government, through an interactive dialogue, which will follow appropriate modalities in the determination of the theme and the programme, and which will be open to all Member States;

5. *Encourages* all Member States to be represented at the level of Head of State or Government;

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6. *Decides* that Member States statements in explanation of vote in connection with the Outcome Document of the Summit shall be incorporated into Member States general statements, notwithstanding the relevant provisions of the rules of procedure;

7. *Also decides* to limit statements of Member States and observers to five minutes each and to hear statements of representatives invited in keeping with paragraphs 8, 9, 10 and 11 below, time permitting and limited to three minutes each; **and encourages governments to present concrete actions and commitments on centering the interests and needs of future generations across all efforts, procedures, processes and decision-making, at all levels, including in support of the key role of civil society organizations and youth in all their diversity;**

8. *Invites* entities having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the work of the General Assembly to participate in the Summit, **and invites all observers of the General Assembly to be represented at the highest possible level;**

9. *Also invites* the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions, **and relevant envoys of the Secretary-General,** as well as the Bretton Woods institutions, to participate in the Summit, **as appropriate, and urges them to consider initiatives in support of the preparatory process, particularly with regard to sharing good practices, challenges, lessons learned, and urgent actions that need to be taken to center the interests and needs of future generations;**

10. *Further invites* **all** representatives of non-governmental organizations that are in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council to participate in the Summit;

Before 11. Encourages all Member States, observers and delegations to meaningfully include in their delegations to the Summit of the Future, and its preparations, youth representatives;

11. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly to draw up a list of representatives of other relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, **youth, youth-led organizations and youth-focused organizations,** academic institutions and the private sector who may participate in the high-level Summit of the Future, taking into account the principles of transparency and equitable geographic representation, with due regard for gender parity, to submit the proposed list to Member States for their consideration on a non-objection basis³ and to bring the list to the attention of the Assembly for a final decision by the Assembly on participation in the high-level meeting;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive new report in February 2023 with recommendations on the specific proposals in the ‘Our Common Agenda’ report that should be considered at the high-level Summit of the Future, including details on how those proposals might be implemented, to serve as the basis for inter-governmental negotiations on the Outcome Document for the high-level Summit of the Future;

13. *Requests* that the President of the General Assembly to appoint co-facilitators no later than end of February 2023 to lead and conclude inter-governmental negotiations to determine the scope of the Outcome Document for the high-level Summit of the Future, drawing on the recommendations of the report of the Secretary-General requested in paragraph 12, and agree on the process to conclude the Outcome Document in a timely manner;

³ The list will include proposed as well as final names. The general basis of any objections, if requested by one or more States Members of the United Nations or States members of the specialized agencies, will be made known to the Office of the President of the General Assembly and the requester.

Before 14. *Decides that the proceedings of the Summit of the Future shall be webcast on UN Web TV; and encourages the Secretary-General and the UN system to give highest visibility to this Summit, its summary and Outcome Document, as well as to the interactive multi-stakeholder hearing, Youth Pre-Summit and youth dialogue, through all relevant media platforms and information and communications technologies;*

14. *Decides* that the Summit should be well-coordinated with, and complementary to, the Sustainable Development Goals Summit (the high-level political forum convened under the auspices of the General Assembly), and requests the President of the General Assembly to ensure the two Summits are well-coordinated;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to establish, as soon as possible, a dedicated capacity in the Secretariat to provide effective substantive support for the preparations [and follow-up] of the Summit of the Future and for related follow-up within the United Nations to the agreements and commitments contained in resolution 76/6 of 18 November 2021 [and the summaries prepared by the President of the General Assembly] following up on the Report of the Secretary-General entitled ‘Our Common Agenda’.