

**Sixty-fourth Session**

Agenda item 114

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit

**System-wide coherence**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the 2005 World Summit Outcome,

*Recalling* resolution 62/277 of 15 September 2008, setting out five areas for consideration by Member States with a view to enhancing United Nations system-wide coherence,

*Recalling* resolution 63/311 of 14 September 2009,

*Reaffirming* the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, the outcome of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly, the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), international law, in particular international human rights law and international humanitarian law,

*Reaffirming* resolution 62/208 of 19 December 2007 on the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review (TCPR),

*Reaffirming* its resolution 2(I) of 1 February 1946,

*Reaffirming* that the fundamental characteristics of the operational activities for development of the United Nations system should be, inter alia, their universal, voluntary and grant nature, their neutrality and their multilateralism,

*Reaffirming* the key importance of national ownership and national leadership, and underscoring that there is no "one size fits all" approach to development, and that development assistance by the United Nations development system should be able to respond to the varying demands of programme countries and should be in alignment with their national development plans and strategies in accordance with established mandates,

*Taking note* of the reports of the Secretary-General A/64 /588, and A/64/589, entitled "Comprehensive proposal for the composite Entity for gender equality and the empowerment of women", and "Follow up to the General Assembly resolution 63/311 on system-wide coherence related to operational activities for development" respectively,

**Strengthening governance of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for enhanced system-wide coherence**

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, starting in the 65th legislative session of the General Assembly, and as background material for the Comprehensive Policy Review, to make available a compilation of all relevant legislation on the roles and responsibilities of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council, including its subsidiary bodies, Executive Boards of funds and programmes and governing bodies of specialized agencies in the governance of the UN operational activities for development;
2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to circulate information on the coherence of calendars, agendas and programmes of work of the governing bodies of UN operational activities

for development, with a view to enabling the governing bodies to consider measures to enhance coherence when setting their agendas and programmes of work;

3. *Invites* the President and bureau of the Economic and Social Council to convene informal coordination meetings with bureaus of governing bodies of UN operational activities for development, in accordance with their mandates, to discuss ways and means to enhance the coherence of their work and to provide a summary of such informal coordination meetings to Member States;
4. *Reaffirms* the need for enhancing the transparency of the activities of the United Nations Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB), particularly to ensure its effective interaction with Member States, while respecting the mandates and working methods of the CEB and its member organizations, and in this regard requests:
  - a) the Secretary General, in his capacity as Chair of the CEB, to further enhance the quality and quantity of information on the CEB website, and to publish and make available to Member States the CEB interagency agreements and decisions;
  - b) the Secretary-General, in his capacity as the Chairman of the CEB to ensure transparent and balanced approach in its priority-setting to implement and report on the decisions of relevant intergovernmental bodies and to include appropriate information on the work of the CEB in its annual overview report to the Economic and Social Council, which is also studied by the Committee for Programme and Coordination, to promote more effective dialogue;
  - c) the President of the Economic and Social Council to continue to convene periodic briefings for Member States with the Secretariat following the biannual sessions of the CEB, taking into account the need to schedule the briefings in a timeframe that allows for such opportunities to be fully utilized by Member States for effective dialogue with the CEB regarding its activities;
5. *Requests* UNITAR in consultation with the secretariats of the governing bodies, as appropriate and in accordance with its statute, and in line with paragraph 3 in section 1 of A/RES/64/260, to prepare and carry out orientation training courses for representatives of Member States, in particular delegates of Permanent Missions of Member States on the functioning of the UN operational activities for development including on the roles and responsibilities of governing bodies;
6. *Requests* ECOSOC and the Executive Boards of funds and programmes and governing bodies of specialized agencies, to consider measures to facilitate the effective participation of national policy-makers in developing countries in the Operational Activities Segment of the Economic and Social Council and the regular sessions of the Executive Boards of funds and programmes and the governing bodies of specialized agencies, giving priority to national policy-makers of programme countries, in particular least developed countries. Such measures could include the establishment of new Trust Funds or the use of existing mechanisms, as appropriate, taking into account the financial situation and arrangement of each Organization;
7. *Invites* the funds and programmes, as appropriate, based on their analysis of good practices to improve the preparations for and discussions during meetings of the Executive Boards, taking into account the views expressed by Member States, and in this regard, to include their findings and adopted measures in their annual reports to the Economic and Social Council;

8. *Takes note* of the progress in the creation of a central repository of information on operational activities for development and requests the Secretary-General that an update on the advances in the establishment of this mechanism is presented at the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council in 2011 in the context of the Comprehensive Policy Review of operational activities for development;
9. *Encourages* governing bodies of the funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the UN development system to include in their strategic plans, as appropriate, specific provisions for the full implementation of policy guidance provided in the Comprehensive Policy Review of the General Assembly and further requests the secretariats of the funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the UN development system to report on the implementation of these provisions in their regular reporting to the General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council;
10. *Requests* the Secretary General, under the auspices of ECOSOC and in cooperation with UN Resident Coordinators, to prepare and put in place a periodic survey directed to Governments, on the effectiveness, efficiency and relevance of the support of the UN system, in order to provide feedback on the strengths and main challenges encountered in their interactions with the UN development system, with a view to enabling intergovernmental bodies to address them, and also requests that the results of such surveys are published and made available to Member States;

### **Independent System-Wide Evaluation Mechanism**

11. *Recognizes* that the current multi-tiered evaluation system within the United Nations for operational activities for development consists of a number of entities with distinct roles and responsibilities, including the United Nations Evaluation Group, evaluation offices of individual United Nations organizations, the Office for Internal Oversight Services, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Assistance and the Joint Inspection Unit;
12. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the United Nations Evaluation Group and the Joint Inspection Unit, to commission a comprehensive review of the existing institutional framework for system-wide evaluation of operational activities for development of the United Nations system and submit a report, with recommendations, to the General Assembly during its 66<sup>th</sup> session;
13. In this regard, *affirms* that the establishment of an independent system-wide evaluation mechanism within the United Nations system should be aimed at fully utilizing and strengthening the existing institutional framework and capacities;

### **Approval of common country programmes**

14. *Emphasizes* the principle of national ownership and leadership and supports the initiative of some countries to use, on a voluntary basis, common country programme documents, as well as its support for all countries that wish to continue using the existing frameworks and processes for country-level programming;

15. *Recognizes* that local consultative process could strengthen the principle of national ownership and facilitate effective participation of national policy-makers in setting the priority areas of common country programmes;
16. *Invites* those countries presenting a common country programme document on a voluntary basis to prepare it consistent with the UNDAF, where it exists, and to present in the common country programme the critical actions that will be taken to achieve the agreed results with available or indicative resources, as well as actions to ensure coherence of the UN system's assistance at the country level, attaching as an annex a brief description of each;
17. *Invites* the governing body of each fund, programme and specialized agency, where relevant, and in accordance with their mandates, to consider and approve its role and the resources it will require for the implementation of the common country programme, on the basis of the agency-specific annex;
18. *Notes* that the approval of each fund, programme and specialized agency's contribution, where relevant, will be based on an assessment of whether the elements in the agency-specific annex reflect the priorities of its strategic plan and overall mandate, as well as their alignment with national priorities and strategies;
19. *Recognises* that informal discussions during the joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP on cross-cutting issues, synergies, gaps and duplication, including those related to common country programmes could provide a useful context for the work of the individual Funds and Programmes at the country level;

### **Delivering as One**

20. *Welcomes* the intergovernmental meeting of programme country pilots held in Kigali, Rwanda, in October 2009, and in Hanoi, Vietnam, in June 2010, takes note with appreciation of the Kigali and Hanoi Declarations, and in this regard, also takes note of the progress made by "delivering-as-one" countries in their own country-led evaluations, with the participation of relevant stakeholders and with the technical support of the United Nations Evaluation Group, to be completed by 1 July 2010;
21. *Encourages* the Secretary General to proceed with the modality for the independent evaluation of lessons learned from the "Delivering as One" pilots as outlined by the Secretariat, after consultation, covering all aspects of the initiative, and looks forward to receiving the outcome at the 66<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly;

### **Improving the funding system of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for enhanced system-wide coherence**

#### **General principles**

22. *Acknowledges* efforts by developed countries to increase resources for development, including commitments by some developed countries to increase official development assistance, calls for the fulfilment of all official development assistance commitments,

including the commitments by many developed countries to achieve the target of 0.7 per cent of gross national income for official development assistance by 2015 and to reach at least 0.5 per cent of gross national income for official development assistance by 2010, as well as the target of 0.15 per cent to 0.20 per cent for least developed countries, and urges those developed countries that have not yet done so to make concrete efforts in this regard in accordance with their commitments;

23. *Welcomes* the expanding number of countries making financial contributions to the operational activities of the United Nations development system, as well as the diversification of funding sources and mechanisms within the system. In this regard, welcomes the significant growth in funds to the UN development operations from \$13 billion in 2003 to \$22 billion in 2008, the highest level ever;
24. *Stresses* that core resources, because of their untied nature, continue to be the bedrock of the operational activities for development of the United Nations system, and in this regard notes with concern the long-term decline in the share of core contributions to the United Nations development system, which since 2005 has levelled off at about 34 per cent, and recognizes the need for organizations to attain, on a continuous basis, an adequate balance between core and non-core resources taking into account the unique mandate structure and programmes of individual entities, while *noting* that non-core resources represent an important supplement to the regular resource base of the United Nations development system to support operational activities for development;
25. *Emphasizing* that increasing financial contributions to the United Nations development system is key to achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and in this regard recognizes the mutually reinforcing links between increased effectiveness, efficiency and coherence of the United Nations development system, achieving concrete results in assisting developing countries in eradicating poverty and achieving sustained economic growth and sustainable development through operational activities for development and the overall resourcing of the United Nations development system;
26. *Stresses* the need for adequate quantity and quality of funding for operational activities and to make funding more predictable, effective and efficient;
27. *Affirms* in this context the importance of accountability, transparency and improved results-based management and further harmonized results-reporting of the work of the funds, programmes and specialized agencies for increased quantity and quality of funding for operational activities;

### **Ensuring adequate funding**

28. *Stresses* that funding for operational activities should be aligned with the national priorities and plans of programme countries as well as the strategic plans, mandates, resource frameworks and priorities of the United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies. In this regard, underscores the need to further strengthen the results frameworks of funds, programmes and agencies of the UN development system and for agencies, funds and programmes to improve their reporting on outputs and nationally owned outcomes;
29. *Emphasizes* the importance of taking measures to broaden the donor base and increase the number of donor countries and other partners making financial contributions to the

United Nations development system in order to reduce reliance of the United Nations development system on a limited number of donors;

30. *Recognizes* the potential positive impact of determining the level of "critical mass" of core funding for United Nations development agencies. In this regard, notes that the concept of "critical mass" may include, inter alia, the level of resources adequate enough to respond to programme countries' needs, and to produce the results expected in strategic plans, including administrative, management and programme costs:
  - a) *Invites* the governing bodies of the funds and programmes to initiate further discussion with a view to exploring the most appropriate definition of, and a process towards arriving at, a 'critical mass' of core funding for each fund and programme, according to their individual mandates;
  - b) *Invites* further the governing bodies of relevant specialized agencies within the context of their 2012-2013 budgets, to consider exploring the most appropriate concept of and process for arriving at a 'critical mass' of core funding, according to their individual mandates;
  - c) *Requests* the funds and programmes to report on their efforts and conclusions on "critical mass" within their annual or biennial reports to ECOSOC beginning in 2011. In this regard, also encourages the specialized agencies, where relevant, to report on their efforts and conclusions on "critical mass" to ECOSOC;

### **Improving the quality of funding**

31. *Urges* Member States, when legislative and budgetary provisions allow, to make financial contributions to development-related activities of the United Nations system in the form of multi-year commitments in order to improve the predictability of resources;
32. *Urges* all Member States making non-core contributions to operational activities, as well as the United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies, to ensure that these resources are fully aligned with strategic plans and mandates and are in accordance with programme countries' priorities in the UNDAF;
33. *Urges* the Executive Boards of Funds and Programmes and governing bodies of specialized agencies to take measures to improve their governance and oversight of programme and project specific non-core funding by including in their annual reports an assessment of how such funding is aligned with the strategic plans of the respective organizations;
34. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include information on all existing Multi-Donor Trust Funds and Thematic Trust Funds, including information on their mandates, performance and governance structures in the annual report on financial statistics to ECOSOC with a view to further improving the participation of Member States in their governance;
35. *Requests* those United Nations agencies administering Multi-Donor Trust Funds to report on the administration of those funds to their respective governing bodies on an annual basis to ensure better complementarity between funds provided through Multi-donor Trust Funds and other funding sources;
36. *Acknowledges* that there are ongoing efforts being undertaken by the United Nations Development Group with a view to avoiding subsidization of non-core resources by

core resources and, in that regard, requests the United Nations funds and programmes, and urges the specialized agencies to avoid using core / regular resources to cover costs related to the management of extra-budgetary funds and their programme activities and also urges Member States making non-core contributions to reduce transaction costs and streamline reporting requirements where possible;

### **Improving information to monitor funding trends**

37. *Takes note* of the improved reporting on funding for operational activities of the UN development system and *requests* that further improvements be made to more accurately reflect the diversity in non-core funding streams such as multi-donor trust funds, including global, regional and country-level pooled funds;
38. *Further requests*, in this regard that future reporting on funding to the United Nations development system more clearly distinguish between funding for development and humanitarian activities, and better differentiate self-supporting contributions from other non-core funding flows;
39. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report on the predictability of resources to the United Nations development system, including the impact of rapid growth in non-core contributions compared to core funding, significant exchange rate fluctuations and limited use of multi-year pledges, in the annual report to ECOSOC on the results achieved, measures and processes implemented in follow-up to General Assembly resolution 62/208, to be considered by Member States in the context of the Comprehensive Policy Review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

### **Harmonisation of Business Practises**

40. *Notes* the submission of the information provided by the United Nations Chief Executives Board for Coordination regarding the progress made in the area of simplification and harmonization of business practices within the United Nations development system;
41. *Reiterates* that the objective of simplification and harmonization of business practices within the United Nations development system is to harmonize and simplify rules and procedures, wherever this can lead to a significant cost savings and / or reduction in the administrative and procedural burden on the organizations of the United Nations development system and national partners, bearing in mind the special circumstances of programme countries, and to enhance the efficiency, accountability and transparency of the United Nations development system;
42. *Encourages* the Funds and Programmes to find more efficiency savings, also at headquarters, through common strategies and common operations, for instance in the fields of human resource management and information technology and administration, while ensuring that those common strategies and operations are consistent with relevant inter-governmentally agreed policies, including those related to the UN common system, and take into account the ongoing reforms on administrative and budgetary matters. In this regard, recommends annual reports on progress to their respective governing bodies and, as appropriate, keeping the General Assembly, through their respective reporting processes to the ECOSOC, abreast of such progress;

43. *Reiterates* its call upon the United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies to ensure, to the extent possible, that savings resulting from reductions in transaction and overhead costs accrue to development programmes in the same countries;
44. *Stresses* that simplification and harmonization of business practices within the United Nations development system including in the field of procurement shall be in compliance with relevant intergovernmental mandates, including those established by the General Assembly;
45. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Chief Executives Board to regularly brief the Economic and Social Council on progress made and challenges encountered in the simplification and harmonization of business practices and to refer any matter requiring an intergovernmental decision to relevant intergovernmental bodies;

## **Strengthening the institutional arrangements for support of gender equality and the empowerment of women**

### **Establishment of the Entity**

46. *Decides* to establish, by this resolution, as composite entity, a United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, to be known as UN Women<sup>1</sup>, by consolidating and transferring to the entity all the existing mandates and functions of the Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women (OSAGI), the Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW), the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) and the United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW), to partially function as a secretariat and also to carry out operational activities at country level and to be operational by 1 January 2011; *Further decides* to establish a new Executive Board as the governing body of the Entity to provide intergovernmental support to, and supervision of, the operational activities of the Entity;

### **General Principles**

47. *Decides* that:
  - a) the Charter of the United Nations, the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action including its twelve critical areas, the outcome of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly and applicable UN instruments, standards and resolutions that support, address and contribute to gender equality and the empowerment and the advancement of women provide a framework for the work of the Entity;
  - b) based on the principle of universality, the Entity will provide guidance and technical support to all Member States, across all levels of development, and in all regions, at their request, on gender equality, on the empowerment and rights of women, and on

---

<sup>1</sup> ONU Femmes

- gender mainstreaming, through its normative support functions and operational activities;
- c) the Entity will operate on the basis of principles agreed to through the process of the Comprehensive Policy Review (CPR) in its operational activities, in particular responding to the needs of and priorities determined by Member States, upon their request;
  - d) The Entity will work in consultation with the respective women's national machineries and/or the focal points designated by the Member States;
  - e) Data used by the entity must be verifiable, accurate, reliable and disaggregated by age and sex, including information provided by national official sources;
48. *Decides* that the establishment of the entity and the conduct of its work should lead to more effective coordination, coherence and gender mainstreaming across the United Nations system;
49. *Decides* that the mandate and functions of the Entity, consist of the consolidation of the mandates and functions of OSAGI, DAW, UNIFEM and INSTRAW, with the additional role of leading, coordinating and promoting the accountability of the UN system in its work on gender equality and women's empowerment; and that any new mandates will be subject to approval by intergovernmental process;
50. *Recognises* that civil society organisations, in particular women's organisations, play a vital role in promoting women's rights, gender equality and the empowerment of women;
51. *Requests* the USG to continue the existing practice of effective consultation with civil society organisations and encourages their meaningful contribution to the work of the Entity;
52. *Notes* that the Entity will operate as part of the Resident Coordinator System, in the UN country team, leading and co-ordinating the work of the UNCT on gender equality and women's empowerment, under the overall leadership of the UN Resident Coordinator;

### **Governance of the Entity**

53. *Decides* :
- (a) that the General Assembly, the ECOSOC and the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) will constitute the multi-tiered intergovernmental governance structure for the normative support functions and will provide normative policy guidance to the Entity;
  - (b) that the General Assembly, ECOSOC and the Executive Board of the Entity will constitute the multi-tiered intergovernmental governance structure for the operational activities and will provide operational policy guidance to the Entity;
54. *Emphasises* that support of gender mainstreaming across the UN system will be an integral part of the work of the Entity;
55. *Decides* that the Executive Board will carry out functions as outlined in Annex I of A/RES/48/162 taking into account the provisions of this resolution;
56. *Decides* that the new Executive Board will consist of 41 Members as follows:

- 10 from African Group
- 10 from Asian Group
- 4 from Eastern European States Group
- 6 from Latin American and Caribbean Group
- 5 from Western European and Other States Group
- 6 from contributing countries

*Decides further* that the 6 seats allocated to the contributing countries will be distributed as follows:

- a) 4 seats allocated to 4 of the largest providers of voluntary core contributions to the Entity to be selected by and from among the top ten such contributors
- b) 2 seats allocated to 2 of the non-DAC developing countries providing voluntary core contributions to the Entity, selected from the top ten of such providers by the non-DAC developing countries, giving due consideration to geographical balance

*Decides further* that the above allocations should be in accordance with the list provided by the Secretary General of the average annual voluntary contributions of Member States in the previous 3 calendar years to the core budget of the Entity or, for an interim period, to UNIFEM, for which statistical data are available;

*Decides further* that a Member State can only be selected from one category at any one time;

- 57. *Decides* that ECOSOC will elect members to the Executive Board for a term of three years, in accordance with established practice and *requests* ECOSOC to carry out first elections not later than 31 December 2010;
- 58. *Decides* that the Executive Board shall report annually to the General Assembly through ECOSOC at its substantive session on its programme and activities;
- 59. *Decides* to include the new Executive Board of the Entity to the joint meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP to promote effective coordination and coherence among operational activities on gender mainstreaming and women empowerment;
- 60. *Emphasises* the need to establish concrete result-based reporting mechanisms as well as the need for consistency, coordination and coherence between the normative and operational aspects and in this regard requests:
  - (a) the CSW and the Executive Board to work closely together to provide coherent guidance and direction in their respective areas;
  - (b) the ECOSOC at its 2010 substantive session to establish appropriate and concrete linkages between the CSW and the Executive Board to ensure consistency between the overall policy guidance set by CSW, and the operational strategies and operational activities approved by the Executive Board;
  - (c) the Head of the Entity to present an annual report to the CSW on the normative aspects, and the Entity's implementation of the policy guidance provided by the CSW;
  - (d) the Head of the Entity to present an annual report on the operational activities for consideration of the Executive Board, and report on the operational activities to the operational segment of the ECOSOC;
  - (e) that ECOSOC in turn submit its report to the GA;

## **Administration and human resources**

61. *Decides* that the Entity shall provide support to inter-governmental policy and normative processes and all its programs of operational activities to support Member States, upon their request;
62. *Decides*:
  - (a) that the Entity shall be headed by an Under-Secretary-General. The USG shall be appointed by the Secretary-General, in consultation with Member States, for a term of four years, with the possibility of one renewable term, in accordance with the relevant provisions of Article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations, and to be funded by regular budget resources;
  - (b) that the USG / Head will report to the Secretary-General, and will be a full member of the Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB);
63. *Encourages* the Secretary General to appoint the USG / Head to the Policy Committee, the Senior Management Group and other relevant internal UN decision making mechanisms;
64. *Decides* that the entity should be accountable to Member States in accordance with applicable rules and standards;
65. *Decides* that the USG/Head appoints and administers staff of the Entity, including for its operational activities, in accordance with the United Nations Staff Regulations and Rules and that formal authority in personnel matters of the Entity should be delegated by the Secretary-General to the USG/Head, while ensuring that the Entity shall be subject to the oversight bodies;
66. *Decides* that the composition and selection of staff of the Entity will be in accordance with the provisions of Article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations, with due regard to geographic representation and gender balance;
67. *Requests* the USG/Head of the Entity to establish appropriate mechanisms to assist and support the realization of all the strategic objectives and actions as agreed upon by the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, as well as the national and international commitments stipulated in the Outcome Document of the 23rd Special Session of the General Assembly;

## **Financing**

68. *Decides* that the resources required to service the normative intergovernmental processes shall be funded from the regular budget and approved by the General Assembly; the resources required to service the operational intergovernmental processes and operational activities at all levels shall be funded from voluntary contributions and approved by the Executive Board;
69. *Requests* the Secretary General to submit to the General Assembly at the main part of its 65<sup>th</sup> session for its approval a report containing a revised proposal for the use of regular budget resources approved for the 2010-2011 biennium for the normative support functions of the new entity, in accordance with all relevant UN rules and procedures; including, a detailed organizational chart of the entity and options for administrative arrangements for the regular budget of the entity;

70. *Further requests* the USG to submit a report to the Executive Board, including the organizational chart referred to in paragraph 69 of the resolution, together with a revised draft strategic plan and proposal, for the use of voluntary resources for the 2010-2011 biennium support budget;
71. *Decides* that the structure of the organizational chart will reflect universal coverage of the entity;
72. *Decides* that the operational activities of the entity shall have financial regulations and rules similar to those of other operational UN funds and programmes, and consistent with the United Nations Financial Regulations and Rules and in this regard, requests the USG/Executive Director to present a proposal of financial regulations for consideration and adoption by the Executive Board, and to promulgate the financial rules;
73. *Stresses* the need to ensure adequate funding for the Entity, and invites Member States, when legislative and budgetary provisions allow, to provide core, multi-year, predictable, stable and sustainable voluntary contributions to the Entity and decides that reporting on funding should be transparent, and easily accessible to Member States, including through the creation of an online registry that contains such financial information;

### **Transitional arrangements**

74. *Decides*, with reference to paragraph 46 above, that a transition period will start upon the adoption of the present resolution and continue until 31 December 2010;
75. *Decides* that all the activities, including training programmes and research, of UNIFEM, OSAGI, DAW, INSTRAW will continue in accordance with the operational arrangements established before the date of the adoption of the present resolution until replaced by new arrangements;
76. *Decides* to transfer the existing mandates, functions, assets, including facilities and infrastructure, and liabilities, including contractual obligations, of OSAGI, DAW, UNIFEM and INSTRAW to the Entity upon the adoption of this resolution and requests the SG to address all staffing issues in accordance with UN Staff Regulations and Rules;
77. *Decides* that the process of consolidation of the institutional and operational arrangements, partnerships and brands of OSAGI, DAW, UNIFEM and INSTRAW will start from the date of the adoption of this resolution and continue under the leadership and authority of the USG once appointed;
78. *Requests* the Secretary General to appoint the USG by the beginning of the 65<sup>th</sup> session in order to oversee the transitional arrangements of the entity before its operationalization and decides that the position of the USG will be funded from existing temporary assistance funds pending the submission of the report on the revised regular budget required to be submitted to the 65th session;
79. *Decides* to dissolve UNIFEM as of the date of the adoption of this resolution;
80. *Requests* the ECOSOC to dissolve INSTRAW as of the date of the adoption of the pertinent resolution;

81. *Decides* that any expansion of the capacity of the Entity should be orderly, based on a proposal by the Head of the Entity to the Executive Board, building on the field presence and infrastructure of UNIFEM and INSTRAW;

### **Review of the implementation**

82. *Requests* the Secretary-General to present a progress report on the implementation of the part "*Strengthening the institutional arrangements for support of gender equality and the empowerment of women*" of this resolution to the General Assembly at its 66<sup>th</sup> and 67<sup>th</sup> sessions;
83. *Decides* to review the work of the Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women at its 68<sup>th</sup> session and requests the Secretary-General to present a comprehensive report in this regard at the 68th session of the General Assembly.