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FAIR TRADE AND INNOVATIVE FINANCING MECHANISMS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Amendments to the revised preliminary draft resolution submitted within the statutory deadline by the delegations of Canada, China, Congo, Cuba, France, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic and by Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina

PREAMBLE

New preambular paragraph 1

Add a new paragraph at the start of the preamble part to read as follows:

(1) Recognizing that poverty eradication, changing unsustainable patterns of consumption and production and promoting sustainable ones and protecting and managing the natural resource base of economic and social development are the overarching objectives of and essential requirements for sustainable development, and reaffirming the need to achieve sustainable development by promoting sustained, inclusive and equitable economic growth, creating greater opportunities for all, reducing inequalities, raising basic standards of living, fostering equitable social development and inclusion, and promoting the integrated and sustainable management of natural resources and ecosystems that supports, inter alia, economic, social and human development while facilitating ecosystem conservation, regeneration, restoration and resilience in the face of the new and emerging challenges,

(Cuba)

New preambular paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4

Add four new paragraphs at the start of the preamble part to read as follows:

(1) Recalling the Stockholm Declaration of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment adopted at Stockholm in June 1972, the principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and Agenda 21, adopted at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, also known as the Earth Summit, including inter alia the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities, as set out in principle 7 of the Rio Declaration, and the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, held in Johannesburg in 2002,

(2) Also recalling the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, also known as Rio+20, held in June 2012, which renewed the commitment of all parties to sustainable development as set forth in the above-mentioned Conferences and Summits with a view to ensuring the promotion of an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable future for our planet and for present and future generations,

(3) Further recalling that Rio+20 recognized that poverty eradication, changing unsustainable patterns of consumption and production, promoting sustainable ones and protecting and managing the natural resource base of economic and social development are the overarching objectives of and essential requirements for sustainable development,

(4) Considering that Rio+20 further reaffirmed the need to promote sustained, inclusive and equitable economic growth, creating greater opportunities for all, reducing inequalities, raising basic standards of living, fostering equitable social development and inclusion, and promoting integrated and sustainable management of natural resources and ecosystems that support inter alia economic, social and human development while facilitating ecosystem conservation, regeneration, restoration and resilience in the face of new and emerging challenges,

(India)

Preambular paragraph 1

Amend to read as follows:

(1) Stating that fair trade serves two objectives, namely: it provides real opportunities for the development of small-scale producers and workers in developing countries; and it has a positive impact on the global trading system and private companies, which encourages them to become more justice-oriented and supportive of sustainable development; all of this must and, noting that fair trade initiatives should be strongly linked to the policies of the International Labour Organization (ILO),

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(1) Stating that fair trade serves two objectives, namely: it provides real opportunities for the development it ensure in the long-term the social and economic progress of small-scale producers and workers employees in developing countries; and it has a positive impact on the global trading system and private companies, which encourages them to become more justice-oriented and supportive of sustainable development; all of this must be strongly linked to in compliance with the standards and policies of the ILO,

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

(1) Stating that fair trade serves two objectives, namely: it provides real opportunities for the development of small-scale producers and workers in developing countries; and it has a positive impact on the global trading system and private companies, which encourages them to become more justice-oriented, **socially inclusive** and supportive of sustainable development; all of this must be strongly linked to the policies of the ILO,

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(2) Realizing that there is solid evidence of the positive impact of fair trade on the profits of farmers and workers in developing countries, and their ability to provide jobs for the developed countries the creation of employment and help support sustainable development,

Amend to read as follows:

(2) Realizing Aware that there is solid evidence of the positive impact of fair trade has a positive impact on the profits income of farmers producers and workers in developing countries and as well as their ability to provide jobs on employment for in the developed countries and help support on sustainable development,

Amend to read as follows:

(2) Realizing that there is solid evidence of the positive impact of fair trade on the profits of farmers and workers in developing countries, and their ability to provide jobs for the developed countries on the generation of productive employment opportunities and in helping support sustainable development,

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(2) Realizing that there is solid evidence of the positive impact of fair trade on the profits of farmers and workers in developing countries and their ability to provide jobs for the developed countries and help support sustainable development,

(Indonesia)

(India, Indonesia)

Preambular paragraph 3

Delete the existing paragraph.

Amend to read as follows:

(3) Recalling the Partnership Agreement between the Members of the Group of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (ACP) and the European Community and its Member States, signed in Cotonou on 23 June 2000 (Cotonou Agreement) and amended in Luxembourg on 25 June 2005 and in Ouagadougou on 22 June 2010, in particular Article 23(i); this article expresses support for the promotion of fair trade while Article 64 of the related Compendium on co-operation strategies provides that "Co-operation shall provide support to both producer groups in developing countries and NGOs within the EU through budget headings and EDF resources; this support shall be used to finance the launching of new product lines, consumer awareness campaigns, educational activity and capacity building"; and that the realization of fair trade objectives is linked to sustainable development requirements and needs, and emphasizing respect for fair trade principles, particularly in the context of dialogue, transparency, respect and equality in international trade,

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(Cuba)

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

(4) Also Recalling the São Paulo Consensus, adopted at the Eleventh Session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, held in São Paulo from 13 to 18 June 2004 and the decisions taken at the Rio+20 Summit held in June 2012 in Brazil set forth in the Outcome Document "The Future We Want", which noted that given the social and human dimension of globalization, "development strategies have to be formulated with a view to minimizing its negative social impact and maximizing its positive impact while ensuring that all groups of the population benefit from it" ... promoting sustained and inclusive economic growth, social development and environmental protection and thereby to benefit all and to further mainstream sustainable development at all levels, integrating economic, social and environmental aspects and recognizing their inter-linkages, so as to achieve sustainable development in all its dimensions",

(India)

Preambular paragraph 5

Delete the existing paragraph.

(India, Indonesia)

Amend to read as follows:

(5) Noting that the market for fair trade products at the global level continues to grow and that the European Union is the largest market for fair trade products, accounting for between 60 and 70 per cent of global sales,

(Switzerland)

Preambular paragraph 6

Amend to read as follows:

(6) Considering that fair trade should be based on the principles of sustainability, **equity**, transparency and gender equality in order to narrow the gap between the rich and the poor,

(India)

New preambular paragraph 6bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 6 to read as follows:

(6bis) Noting that sustainable development is also linked to the reform of mainstream agricultural trade, which must address problems caused by distortions in world agricultural markets, and recognizing that fair trade initiatives will only complement these reform efforts,

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) Mindful of the need to have **consider** innovative financing mechanisms for sustainable development as a way of eradicating poverty and combating disease,

(China)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) Mindful of the need to have innovative financing mechanisms for sustainable development as a way of eradicating poverty, ensuring primary education for all, promoting gender equality and women's empowerment and combating disease major pandemics such as HIV and malaria,

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) Mindful of the need to have innovative financing mechanisms as one of the funding mechanisms for sustainable development as a way of eradicating poverty and combating disease,

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(7) Mindful of the need to have scale up and expand innovative financing mechanisms for sustainable development, as a way of eradicating poverty and combating disease,

(Romania)

New preambular paragraphs 7bis and 7ter

Add two new paragraphs after preambular paragraph 7 to read as follows:

(7bis) Convinced of the impact of high subsidies granted by developed countries to their agricultural sector on production and the development of activities by farmers in developing countries,

(7ter) Aware of the difficulties experienced by some governments in developing countries in granting subsidies to farmers and agricultural cooperatives while these farmers do not always enjoy a favourable environment for their activities, which affects their production,

(Congo)

Preambular paragraph 8

Amend to read as follows:

(8) Also mindful of the **imperative of the rule of law and the** need for strong and independent judicial systems to dispense justice in a swift and effective manner as a way of ensuring sustainable development,

(Canada)

Merge and amend preambular paragraphs 9 and 21, rephrasing them as follows:

(9) Aware of the need to address and combat climate change and global warming, which should be seen as the result of human activity, and of the need to increase public and private investment and international cooperation for enhancing food security in the face of climate change threats, (21) underscoring that climate change will affect developing countries in particular and that **public**, **private and international** funding measures to prevent and mitigate its effects and reduce **food insecurity and** energy poverty will contribute to achieving the MDGs,

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(9) Aware of the need to address and combat climate change and global warming, which should be seen as the result of human activity, and of the need to increase public and private investment, and international cooperation and international funding for enhancing food security in the face of climate change threats,

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

(9) Aware of the need to address and combat climate change and global warming, which should be seen as the result of human activity, and of the need to increase public and private investment and international cooperation for enhancing food security in the face of climate change threats, and considering in this regard that the responsibilities and obligations of all countries at all times must be based on the principles of equity and common but differentiated responsibility,

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Preambular paragraph 10

Amend to read as follows:

(10) Also aware of the need for **new** international laws governing international trade to ensure **balance and** a level playing field between and among developed and developing countries **as part of the successful deliberations of the Doha Development Agenda**,

(Indonesia)

Preambular paragraph 11

Amend to read as follows:

(11) Further aware of the need to realize **the internationally agreed development goals**, **including** the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), as a way of accelerating sustainable development,

(Cuba)

(11) Further aware of the need to realize achieve the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) as a way of accelerating sustainable development,

New preambular paragraph 11bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 11 to read as follows:

(11bis) Underscoring that innovative financing is indispensable in implementing the post-2015 development agenda,

Preambular paragraph 13

Delete the existing paragraph.

Preambular paragraph 14

Delete the existing paragraph.

Preambular paragraph 16

Replace the existing text of preambular paragraph 16 by the following:

(16) Underscoring that compliance with existing international commitments related to development assistance and the principles of aid effectiveness is crucial,

(Canada)

(Indonesia)

Amend to read as follows:

(16) Confirming that developed countries' fulfilment and respect of their financing commitments and the principles of aid effectiveness are, for the time being, insufficient to achieve the MDGs and other development goals;

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(16) Confirming that developed countries' fulfilment and respect of their financing commitments and the principles of aid effectiveness are, for the time being, insufficient are essential to achieve the MDGs and other internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals,

(India)

(India)

(Romania)

(Cuba, Indonesia)

Amend to read as follows:

(17) Also underscoring that given the magnitude of financing requirements for sustainable development **and MDG achievement**, financial resources need to be raised from the full range of private, public and mixed sources, and through multiple channels and instruments,

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(17) Also underscoring that given the magnitude of financing requirements for sustainable development, financial resources need to be raised from the full range of private, public and mixed sources, and through multiple channels and instruments, **taking measures to prevent the deviation of these resources to illicit activities**,

(Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

Preambular paragraph 18

Delete the existing paragraph.

(Canada, China, India, Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

Amend to read as follows:

(18) Observing that a number of key sectors of the global economy, such as the international maritime and aviation sectors and the financial sector, are currently not taxed in some countries despite the negative externalities they generate,

(Cuba)

Preambular paragraph 19

Amend to read as follows:

(19) Welcoming the significant upsurge of private philanthropic funds invested in sustainable development projects, which must not involve any conditions or absolve States of their responsibility towards their inhabitants,

(Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

New preambular paragraph 19bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 19 to read as follows:

(19bis) Bearing in mind that fair trade should not be an excuse for the implementation of protectionist policies,

(Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

Amend to read as follows:

(20) Considering the growing importance of remittances as a source of financing for development of poor or middle-income countries,

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(20) Considering the growing importance of remittances as a source of financing for development of poor or middle-income countries, and concerned by the often exorbitant cost of sending them,

(France)

Preambular paragraph 21

Merge preambular paragraphs 9 and 21 (see proposal relating to preambular paragraph 9 above).

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

(21) Underscoring that climate change will affect developing countries in particular and that funding measures to prevent and mitigate its effects, **allow developing countries to adapt to this phenomenon** and reduce energy poverty will contribute to achieving the MDGs,

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

(21) Underscoring that climate change will affect developing countries in particular and that funding measures to prevent and mitigate its effects and reduce energy poverty will contribute to achieving the MDGs they urgently require enhanced financial and technological support to adapt to the harmful effects thereof,

(India)

Preambular paragraph 22

Delete the existing paragraph.

(Cuba, India)

New preambular paragraph 22bis

Add a new paragraph after preambular paragraph 22 to read as follows:

(22bis) Realizing that in order to lay the foundations for fair competition in a better functioning world economy, free trade can boost both growth and the fight against poverty, especially in most parts of Africa, and that deregulation and the abolishment of tariffs are necessary for products to reach other markets and inspire developing countries to observe democracy and the rule of law,

(Sweden)

New preambular paragraphs 22bis, 22ter, 22quater, 22quinquies, 22sexies and 22 septies

Add six new paragraphs after preambular paragraph 22 to read as follows:

(22bis) Realizing that the major industrialized countries monopolize advanced technology, export their manufactured products to developing countries at high prices and import raw materials from them at low prices, and thus are at the centre of international relations and the global economy, and that some of their currencies are used for the settlement of international payments,

(22ter) Considering the dominance of the major industrialized countries over the international financial and trade institutions, such as the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank and the World Trade Organization, and their imposition of conditions on developing countries, fully aware that most of the loans and aid granted by lending institutions to nations to fund specific projects are ill-suited to the real needs of national development plans,

(22quater) Realizing that the opening up of markets in developing countries, which often produce goods they do not consume and consume goods they do not produce, compounded by unfair competition, which leads to the powerful becoming more powerful and the weak becoming weaker, will lead to failed economic development in developing countries due to the latter's limited resources and the invasion of capitalist monopolies that drive market forces,

(22quinquies) Recalling United Nations General Assembly Resolution 3201 (S-VI) Declaration on the Establishment of a New International Economic Order based on the principles of justice and the sovereign equality of all States, irrespective of their political, economic and social systems, and the 1975 Lima Declaration and Plan of Action on Industrial Development and Co-operation, which called for increasing developing countries' share to at least 25 per cent of total world industrial production by the year 2000,

(22sexies) Realizing the need to maintain the requirements of equality, sovereignty and independence on the one hand, and the requirements of cooperation between all States and international bodies on the other, in order to achieve the desired concept of sustainable development,

(22septies) Aware of the double standards used by economically advanced countries that call for market liberalization in developing countries when their interests require it, while adhering to and supporting protectionist policies, imposing trade restrictions to protect their national industries and closing their own markets to competition,

(Syrian Arab Republic)

OPERATIVE PART

Operative paragraph 1

Amend to read as follows:

1. Calls on parliaments to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trade initiatives that contribute to aimed at raising social and environmental standards as tools for achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the MDGs; calls on the European Union to continue to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trading initiatives, and to implement Article 23 (i) of the Cotonou Agreement and Article 64 of the Compendium on co-operation strategies;

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

 Calls on parliaments to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trade initiatives that contribute to raising social and environmental standards as tools for achieving the MDGs; calls on the European Union to continue to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trading initiatives, and to implement Article 23 (i) of the Cotonou Agreement-and Article 64 of the Compendium on co-operation strategies;

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

1. Calls on parliaments to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trade initiatives that contribute to raising social and environmental standards as tools for achieving the MDGs and the implementation of a post-2015 development agenda; calls on the European Union to continue to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trading initiatives, and to implement Article 23 (i) of the Cotonou Agreement and Article 64 of the Compendium on co-operation strategies;

(India)

Split the existing paragraph into two paragraphs to read as follows:

- 1. Calls on parliaments to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trade initiatives that contribute to raising social and environmental standards as tools for achieving the MDGs;
- **1bis.** Also calls on the European Union to continue to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trading initiatives, and to implement Article 23 (i) of the Cotonou Agreement and Article 64 of the Compendium on co-operation strategies;

(Romania)

Split the existing paragraph into two paragraphs and amend it to read as follows:

- 1. Calls on parliaments to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trade initiatives that contribute to raising social and environmental standards as tools for achieving the MDGs, while recognizing the subsidiary role of the State in promoting voluntary private standards, such as fair trade;
- **1bis.** calls on the European Union to continue to promote and support fair trade and other independently monitored trading initiatives, and to implement Article 23 (i) of the Cotonou Agreement and Article 64 of the Compendium on co-operation strategies;

(Switzerland)

Operative paragraph 2

Amend to read as follows:

2. Also calls on developed countries to provide financial resources to developing countries through their development cooperation mechanisms for developing new fair trade products and ensure that consumers have access to all the information they need to make the right choices;

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

2. Also calls on developed countries to provide **predictable** financial resources to developing countries through their development cooperation mechanisms for developing new fair trade products and ensure that consumers have access to all the information they need to make the right choices;

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Operative paragraph 3

Amend to read as follows:

3. Calls for fair trade to respect fair trade standards, as certified by Fair Trade International, which include inter alia clear minimum and progressive criteria to ensure that the conditions of production and trade of all fair trade-certified products are socially and economically fair and environmentally responsible, **paying special attention to labour conditions in order to avoid labour exploitation in general, and child labour in particular**;

(Spain)

Amend to read as follows:

 Calls for fair trade to be based on principles such as those set forth in the Charter of Free Trade Principles¹ respect fair trade standards, as certified by Fair Trade International, which include inter alia clear minimum and progressive criteria to ensure and that for the conditions of production and trade of all fair trade-certified products are to be socially and economically fair and environmentally responsible;

(Switzerland)

¹ http://www.fairtrade.net/what_is_fairtrade.html

New operative paragraph 3bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 3 to read as follows:

3bis. Requests that fair trade certification processes be put in place under the authority of the State and in the framework of regional organizations competent in the area of trade and the WTO;

(France)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 3 to read as follows:

3bis. Encourages governments of developed and developing countries to spare no effort in guaranteeing legal certainty, mainly as regards general knowledge of laws and their retroactivity, as a safeguard for citizens in all their relations, including those related to fair trade;

(Spain)

New operative paragraphs 3bis and 3ter

Add two new paragraphs after operative paragraph 3 to read as follows:

- 3bis. Also calls for stronger national action and international support to help build domestic productive and competitive export capacities, as well as trade-supportive logistics for developing countries, including Africa, LDCs, landlocked developing countries, Small Island Developing States and other structurally weak and vulnerable small economies;
- 3ter. Recommends the optimum utilization of the Aid for Trade initiative, which has gained prominence in the international aid discourse since it was introduced by the WTO in 2005, and mobilized resources for trade-related assistance, notes that this initiative recognizes that, to fully benefit from international trade, developing countries, especially LDCs, need targeted financial support for trade-related technical assistance, building productive capacity and infrastructure, and trade-related adjustment support, also notes that adequate, efficient and outcome-oriented aid for trade, as well as its greater prioritization in overall development strategies, is needed, and considers that these objectives require recipient countries to mainstream trade issues into their overall national and regional development strategies to ensure coherence between trade and development, notably through the Enhanced Integrated Framework for LDCs;

(Indonesia)

Operative paragraph 4

Amend to read as follows:

4. Urges parliaments and governments to explore the potential of innovative sources of financing **as one of the means of financing** required to meet development needs and to identify possible instruments and allocation mechanisms;

(India)

New operative paragraph 4bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 4 to read as follows:

4bis. Requests parliaments and governments of developing countries, in particular those in sub-Saharan Africa, to adopt ambitious agricultural policies providing for the establishment of mechanisms to support the activities of small farmers, while taking into account the rules of fair trade;

(Congo)

(China)

Operative paragraph 5

Amend to read as follows:

- 5. Encourages parliaments and governments to explore the national, regional and/or international potential of the following innovative financing sources on a voluntary basis:
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Amend to read as follows:

5. Encourages parliaments and governments to explore the national, regional and/or international potential of the following innovative financing sources on a voluntary basis and in accordance with national circumstances and priorities:

[...]

Amend the first bullet point as follows:

- a financial transaction tax, in a variety of forms, always in the framework of comprehensive agreements, and avoiding imbalances and loopholes as regards their implementation;

(Spain)

(India)

Delete the second bullet point.

(Cuba, Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

Delete the third bullet point.

(India, Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

Amend the fourth bullet point as follows:

- public-private partnerships to fight major diseases, such as the GAVI Alliance, the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria and Rotary International's successful campaign to eradicate malaria; and

(Canada)

Amend the fourth bullet point as follows:

- public-private partnerships to protect people's health and fight major diseases, such as the International Finance Facility for Immunization in support of GAVI immunization programmes, the GAVI Alliance and Rotary International's successful campaign to eradicate malaria; and

(Romania)

Add a new bullet point after the fourth bullet point to read as follows:

- South-South Cooperation schemes such as those under the umbrella of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America - Peoples' Trade Treaty (ALBA-TCP);

(Cuba)

Operative paragraph 6

Amend to read as follows:

 Urges Encourages parliaments to play an active role both through legislation, and regulatory action to reduce taxes and fees on fair trade products and other programmes to promote fair trade products;

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

6. Urges Invites parliaments to play an active role both through legislation and regulatory action to reduce taxes and fees on fair trade products;

(Cuba)

Operative paragraph 7

Amend to read as follows:

7. Appeals to parliaments and governments to better take into account enable remittances when defining their development strategies and financing thereof and stresses that labour-recipient countries should not impose any restrictions on the money transfers of expatriates to be sent to their migrants' home countries, while ensuring that these transfers, although being a basic source of hard currency in such countries that helps them alleviates their financial and economic crisis and bridges their financial gap, does not harm the economies of receiving countries;

(Congo)

Amend to read as follows:

7. Appeals to parliaments and governments to better take into account remittances when defining their development strategies and financing thereof and stresses that labour-recipient countries should not impose any restrictions on the money transfers of expatriates to their home countries, these being a basic source of hard currency in such countries that helps them alleviate their financial and economic crisis and bridge their financial gap;

(Cuba)

7. Appeals to parliaments and governments to better take into account remittances when defining their development strategies and financing thereof and stresses that labour-recipient countries should not impose any undue restrictions on the money transfers of expatriates these workers to their home countries but should, on the contrary, reduce the costs given that these being are a basic source of hard currency in such countries that helps them alleviate their financial and economic crisis and bridge their financial gap;

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

7. Appeals to parliaments and governments to better take into account remittances when defining their development strategies and financing thereof and stresses that labour-recipient countries should not impose any restrictions on the money transfers of expatriates to their home countries, these being a basic source of hard currency in such countries that helps them alleviate their financial and economic crisis and bridge their financial gap, and considers that mechanisms to reduce the costs of remittances must be strengthened, as proposed by international bodies such as the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, at its session held in Geneva in February 2011, in line with the proposals of the G20, which included this matter as a goal in its multi-year action plans;

(Spain)

New operative paragraph 7bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 7 to read as follows:

7bis. Urges parliaments and governments to promote financial knowledge and entrepreneurship among migrant workers and their families in order to maximize the development potential of remittances;

(Philippines)

Operative paragraph 8

Amend to read as follows:

8. Also appeals **Invites** to parliaments and governments to explore the possibility of creating a worldwide lottery to fund measures to combat hunger, as proposed by the World Food Programme, along the lines of the Digital Food Project;

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

8. Also appeals to parliaments and governments to explore the possibility of creating a worldwide lottery pool to fund measures to combat hunger and malnutrition, as proposed by the World Food Programme, along the lines of the Digital Food Project;

(India)

8. Also appeals to parliaments and governments to explore the possibility of creating a worldwide lottery to fund measures to combat hunger, as proposed by the World Food Programme, along the lines of the Digital Food Project or, where necessary, allocate to these programmes part of the income of some existing games of chance;

(Spain)

Operative paragraph 9

Amend to read as follows:

9. Underscores that these innovative financial flows should not place additional burdens on developing countries, that they should supplement existing official development assistance flows without reducing them, and should be compatible with an MDG-centered development strategy, while being as far as possible predictable and sustainable;

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

 Underscores that these innovative financial flows should not place additional burdens on developing countries and should be compatible with a post-2015-developmentagenda-an MDG-centred development strategy, while being as far as possible predictable and sustainable;

(India)

Operative paragraph 10

Amend to read as follows:

10. Also underscores that transparency and public scrutiny of innovative financing mechanisms are a sine qua non for their introduction and suggests conducting case studies of existing programmes with a view to providing guidance; appeals for the harmonization of fragmented monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to reduce transaction costs and facilitate independent monitoring and evaluation mechanisms so as to assess the delivery of innovative financing and its impact on development outcomes, all of which should be in line with national priorities and national legislation;

(Cuba)

Operative paragraph 11

Amend to read as follows:

11. Cautions against setting up complicated structures for innovative financing to ensure that could impede transparent allocations of their proceeds to development projects, facilitate public scrutiny thereof and guarantee an effective evaluation of their contribution to development goals;

(Cuba)

Operative paragraph 13

Amend to read as follows:

13. Advocates for the coordination of relevant NGO activities and better use of and cross references to existing programmes and experience;

(Canada)

Operative paragraph 14

Amend to read as follows:

14. Urges parliaments and governments of both developed and developing countries to step up efforts in the area of taxation, mainly in terms of tax collection and measures to combat tax evasion and unlawful capital flows to tax heavens, efforts which are crucial to achieving a sound fiscal policy and increasing domestic revenue, in particular through the recognition and protection of property rights, land mapping registry systems and improving the business and investment climate in developing countries;

(Canada)

Amend to read as follows:

14. Urges parliaments and governments of both developed and developing countries to step up efforts in the area of taxation, mainly in terms of tax collection and measures to combat tax evasion and unlawful capital flows to tax heavens, efforts which are crucial to achieving a sound fiscal policy and increasing domestic revenue, in particular through the recognition and protection of property rights, land mapping and improving the business and investment climate in developing **and developed** countries;

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

14. Urges parliaments and governments of both developed and developing countries to **promote international cooperation in the fight against tax evasion and** step up efforts in the area of taxation, mainly in terms of tax collection and measures to combat tax evasion and unlawful capital flows to tax heavens, efforts which are crucial to achieving a sound fiscal policy and increasing domestic revenue, in particular through the recognition and protection of property rights, land mapping and improving the business and investment climate in developing countries;

(Spain)

Amend to read as follows:

14. Urges parliaments and governments of both developed and developing countries to step up efforts in the area of taxation, mainly in terms of tax collection and measures to combat tax evasion and unlawful capital flows to tax heavens, efforts which are crucial to achieving a sound fiscal policy and increasing domestic revenue, in particular through the recognition and protection of property rights, land mapping and improving the business and investment climate in developing countries;

(Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

New operative paragraph 14bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 14 to read as follows:

14bis. Calls for the strengthening and wider implementation of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) as a means to improve revenue transparency and accountability in the extractive sectors, and invites parliaments to support and monitor EITI processes in their respective countries;

(Romania)

Operative paragraph 15

Amend to read as follows:

15. Invites the governments of developed countries to scale up their assistance in the area of strengthening tax authorities, the judiciary and anti-corruption agencies in developing countries at the request of recipient countries;

(Cuba)

Amend to read as follows:

15. Invites the governments of developed countries to scale up their assistance in the area of strengthening tax authorities, the judiciary and anti-corruption agencies in developing countries and recommends that the parliaments of developed donor countries make efforts to establish a national coordinating body, such as a green ODA council, to channel ODA that can contribute to green growth, in particular by supplying green technology to developing countries and supporting their development of green technology;

(Republic of Korea)

Operative paragraph 16

Amend to read as follows:

16. Also invites the governments of developed countries to combat active corruption committed in developing countries by companies domiciled in their jurisdictions;

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

16. Also invites the governments of developed countries to combat active **all** corruption committed in developing countries by companies domiciled in their jurisdictions;

(Sweden)

Operative paragraph 17

Amend to read as follows:

17. Urges developing **and developed** countries to scale up their efforts to combat corruption by putting in place effective and impartial judicial systems so as to increase the efficiency of public spending and investments;

(Cuba)

17. Urges developing countries to scale up their efforts to combat corruption by putting in place effective **legal** and impartial judicial systems so as to increase the efficiency of public spending and investments;

(Romania)

Amend to read as follows:

17. Urges developing countries to scale up their efforts to combat corruption by putting in place effective and impartial judicial systems so as to increase the efficiency of public spending and investments;

(Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

New operative paragraph 17bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 17 to read as follows:

17bis. Calls on all parliaments and governments to promote the concept of fair trade among consumers, producers and traders as a more equitable and sustainable way of doing business and purchasing goods;

(Philippines)

Operative paragraph 18

Delete the existing paragraph.

(Cuba, Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

Amend to read as follows:

18. Calls on governments and NGOs to work towards meeting the commitments under the Copenhagen Accord and other international accords on green technology dealing with climate change, and encourages parliaments and governments to explore in depth the possibility of establishing innovative financing mechanisms to assist developing countries in combating climate change;

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

 Calls on governments and NGOs, in particular those in the developed countries, to work towards meeting the commitments under the Copenhagen Accord and other international accords on green technology UNFCCC;

(India)

New operative paragraph 18bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 18 to read as follows:

18bis. Also calls on all parliaments to enact measures aimed at promoting fair trade, such as including the subject in the school curricula and organizing information campaigns on its advantages, especially in poverty alleviation and sustainable development;

(Philippines)

New operative paragraphs 18bis and 18ter

Add two new paragraphs after operative paragraph 18 to read as follows:

- 18bis. Recommends that developed countries honour their commitment to allocate 0.7 per cent of their GNP by 2015 to assist developing countries so as to allow them inter alia to sustain their agricultural sector;
- 18ter. Urges developed countries to observe the rules of fair trade regarding the financing of their agricultural sector in order to avoid disadvantaging the production of farmers in developing countries;

(Congo)

Operative paragraph 19

Amend to read as follows:

19. Also calls on all governments, particularly in developing countries, to work towards the achievement of sustainable development by improving the level of education of their citizens, by guaranteeing primary education for all, by ensuring gender equality in all areas of training and by empowering disadvantaged groups, and encourages parliaments and governments to explore in depth the possibility of establishing innovative financing mechanisms for education;

(France)

Amend to read as follows:

19. Also calls on all governments, particularly in developing countries, to work towards the achievement of sustainable development by improving the level of education of their citizens and empowering disadvantaged groups;

(India)

Amend to read as follows:

19. Also calls on all governments **and parliaments**, particularly in developing countries, to work towards the achievement of sustainable development by improving the level of education of their citizens and empowering **women**, **children and other** disadvantaged groups;

(Sweden)

19. Also calls on all governments, particularly in developing countries, to work towards the achievement of sustainable development by **implementing gender equality measures**, improving the level of education of their citizens and empowering disadvantaged groups;

(Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

New operative paragraph 19bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 19 to read as follows:

19bis. Appeals for South-South fair trade processes to become more dynamic and, as far as possible, for the majority of the processing of free trade products to be located in the country of origin;

(France)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 19 to read as follows:

19bis. Invites governments, donors, NGOs and the private sector to consider implementing innovative financing mechanisms for education such as the Education Venture Fund, Debt Conversion Development Bonds, Diaspora Bonds and the Travellers' Savings Fund for Development, and to promote public-private partnerships, private fundraising and micro-donations as means of overcoming inequalities in education;

(Romania)

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 19 to read as follows:

19bis. Encourages parliaments to promote the participation of women in decision-making and management posts linked to the productive process, especially in the boards of public and private enterprises;

(Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

Operative paragraph 21

Amend to read as follows:

21. Invites those States which have not yet done so to join the Leading Group on Innovative Financing for Development set up in 2006 and to participate in all existing innovative financing mechanisms for sustainable development;

(Canada)

New operative paragraph 21bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 21 to read as follows:

21bis. Calls on the parliaments of the developed countries to devise a policy for promoting fair trade aimed at bridging the gap between the rich and the poor;

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

Operative paragraph 22

Amend to read as follows:

22. Calls on parliamentarians and the IPU to play a pivotal role in advocating for fair trade as a means of ensuring sustainable development inter alia by creating an enabling economic environment to support the grass-root level of developing countries.

(Islamic Republic of Iran)

New operative paragraph 22bis

Add a new paragraph after operative paragraph 22 to read as follows:

22bis. Requires developed countries to comply with the principle of special and differential treatment set by the World Trade Organization as an advantage conferred to nations with lower social and economic growth.

(Senator Sonia Escudero of Argentina)

New operative paragraphs 22bis, 22ter, 22quater, 22quinquies, 22sexies and 22 septies

Add six new paragraphs after operative paragraph 22 to read as follows:

- 22bis. Calls for the protection of domestic products and nascent and emerging industry from foreign competition, especially when producing specific industrial or agricultural products costs more than those produced abroad;
- 22ter. Also calls for the protection of national economies from international and regional changes and major economic crises that lead to inflation, deflation and recession;
- 22quater. Considers that the creation of new industries will help address unemployment problems, because protectionist measures will help raise the price of foreign goods, and thus increase the demand for domestic goods, foster national industries and provide new job opportunities;
- 22quinquies. Emphasizes the need to achieve self-sufficiency and food security while ensuring minimum production of strategic commodities such as energy;
- 22sexies. Also emphasizes the need to reform institutional structures, while strengthening existing judicial systems so that they are capable of dispensing justice and imposing equality and the rule of law;
- 22septies. Further emphasizes the need to deepen a culture that rejects corrupt practices such as bribery, extortion, nepotism, fraud and the manipulation of quality and specifications, while establishing legal rules to combat them impartially, fairly and equally.

(Syrian Arab Republic)

New operative paragraphs 22bis, 22ter, 22quater, 22quinquies, 22sexies, 22septies and 22octies

Add seven new paragraphs after operative paragraph 22 to read as follows:

- 22bis. Calls on parliaments to work against international taxation since it encourages short-sighted financial speculation;
- 22ter. Also calls on parliaments to oppose international taxation, including taxes on financial transactions, as the use of taxes should be decided at the national level;
- 22quater. Urges parliaments to actively work to promote the equal participation of women and men in decision-making and reduce the gap between women and men's access to resources, and underscores that gender equality is still out of reach for most women worldwide;
- 22quinquies. Calls on parliaments to work towards just and humane treatment for workers worldwide;
- 22sexies. Stresses the importance of fair trade in ensuring that products are free from human rights and labour rights violations;
- 22septies. Encourages governments and parliaments to support business investments that strengthen and integrate fair trade, especially for engaging the private sector in development challenges;
- 22octies. Stresses that fair trade strives to empower women, help them realize their full potential and earn the respect of their communities that they deserve, and also stresses that fair trade can empower women through opportunities for education and leadership roles.

(Sweden)