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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Development Cooperation Forum: South-South and Triangular Development Cooperation

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2 *Affirming* UN Resolution 3251 of 4 December 1974, which established the UNDP
3 Special Unit for Technical Cooperation between Developing Countries and the
4 subsequent name change in 2003 to the UNDP Special Unit for South-South Cooperation,
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6 *Noting with approval* of the Paris Declaration of 2005, which emphasized that the
7 goals of the development assistance must align with the priorities of the beneficiary
8 nation,
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10 *Welcoming* Pivotal Countries to contribute expertise that is specifically adapted to
11 beneficiary countries' expectations at a lower cost,
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13 *Deeply concerned* that high implementation costs and unclear division of roles and
14 responsibilities can limit the scope and scale of triangular co-operation projects,
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16 *Recognizing* with satisfaction the recent almost double growth rate of South-South trade,
17 leading to a consequential rise in the significance of Triangular South-South Cooperation,
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19 *Approving* that the implementation of the growth, effectiveness and usage of the pivotal
20 countries be employed for the benefit of developing countries,
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22 *Seeking* to strengthen ties with southern partners and build capacity of developing
23 countries as providers of South-South co-operation in terms of understanding and
24 administration,
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26 *Bearing in mind* that established states have a great deal of assistance to offer to
27 emerging and developing states in terms of technology, experience and economic
28 efficiency,
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30 *Guided* by the belief that emerging and developing states should reciprocally assist
31 one another in order to foster regional interconnectedness, understanding, and trust,

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33 *Realizing* that multilateral cooperation will inherently contribute to the
34 experience, expertise and diplomatic relations of both recipient and donor nations,
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36 *Keeping in mind* that international cooperation is of the utmost importance to
37 foster long term development,
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39 *Emphasizing* the unique benefits that will be achieved by having developed
40 nations directly involved in development assistance while simultaneously incorporating a
41 regional approach,
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43 *Declaring* contributors and pivotal countries to expand their assistance to under-
44 developed countries which affirm other religions than their own,
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46 *Expecting* that donors provide knowledge and assistance in ways besides finances equally
47 and effectively of developing countries,
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49 Approving that aid, whether financial, technological, or proving knowledge, be allocated
50 from donor countries and pivotal countries equally and effectively to developing
51 countries,
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53 1. *Recommends* that “Mutual Development” be used as an encompassing
54 alternative to “South-South” and “Triangular Cooperation”;
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56 2. *Suggests* Mutual Development to be defined by a positive reciprocal
57 relationship between an intermediary country and a beneficiary country;
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59 3. *Supports* an addition to the United Nations Development Program Special Unit for
60 South-South to encompass all Mutual Development specifically between
61 intermediary nations and recipients, thus requiring a name change to United
62 Nations Development Program Special Unit for Mutual Development, as a more
63 cost-effective alternative to creating another, separate organization for Mutual
64 Development;
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66 4. *Encourages* the newly proposed United Nations Development Program Special Unit
67 for Mutual Development to expand its work in regulating the flow of
68 development aid to developing countries through a bi-annual report on all aid flow
69 and its positive and negative consequences;
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71 a. *Calls for* a bi-annual review will be a report compiled by the United Nations
72 Development Program Special Unit for Mutual Development to gather
73 information about Mutual Development in global interactions and the state of
74 cooperation and to provide an opportunity to reflect upon the effectiveness of
75 these initiatives;

76 b. *Reminds* that exchange of goods, information, capital, etc. is fluid and constant;
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78 5. *Encourages* the expansion of the Special Unit on South-South Cooperation to
79 incorporate two-sub committees in order to achieve both an international and
80 regional focus;
81 a. *Mandates* the first sub-committee to be tasked with facilitating international
82 exchange of expertise, technology, industry and capital;
83 b. *Accords* to the second sub-committee the responsibility of specifically
84 facilitating regional co-operation among emerging and developing nations;
85 c. *Calls upon* the second sub-committee to utilize existing bodies involved in
86 regional development and distribution of aid;
87 d. *Further encourages* the establishment within the second sub-committee of
88 regional councils consisting of representation from regional member-states and
89 tasked with the distribution of aid;
90 e. *Urges* donor nations to utilize these regional councils of the second sub-
91 committee when allocating aid to promote centralization and transparency of the
92 process;
93 f. *Affirms* the importance of state sovereignty throughout the development
94 process;
95 g. *Strongly recommends* recipient states issue reports, electronically whenever
96 possible, of the progress and usage of any given assistance;
97 h. *Promotes* usage of existing technologies and resources including any databases
98 and reports;
99 i. *Establishes* a forum through United Nations Special Unit for South-South
100 Cooperation that shall meet biannually;
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102 6. *Requests* the coverage of beneficiary countries be expanded upon through the
103 categories listed, but not limited to:
104 a. Agriculture;
105 b. Education;
106 c. Health;
107 d. Industry;
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109 *Welcomes* the report of the High-level Committee and further requests that the Secretary
110 General submits at the end of the next session a comprehensive report of the state of
111 South-South cooperation and on the implementation of the present resolution,
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113 *Solemnly affirms* to remain actively seized on the matter.

Passed, Yes: 41 / No: 0 / Abstain: 2