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## Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 19 December 2014

[on the report of the Second Committee (A/69/466/Add.1)]

### 69/205. International trade and development

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 56/178 of 21 December 2001, 57/235 of 20 December 2002, 58/197 of 23 December 2003, 63/203 of 19 December 2008, 66/185 of 22 December 2011, 67/196 of 21 December 2012 and 68/199 of 20 December 2013 on international trade and development,

*Noting* its resolutions 59/221 of 22 December 2004, 60/184 of 22 December 2005, 61/186 of 20 December 2006, 62/184 of 19 December 2007, 64/188 of 21 December 2009 and 65/142 of 20 December 2010 on international trade and development,

*Recalling* the United Nations Millennium Declaration,<sup>1</sup> as well as the outcomes of the International Conference on Financing for Development<sup>2</sup> and the World Summit on Sustainable Development,<sup>3</sup> the 2005 World Summit Outcome<sup>4</sup> and the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development: outcome document of the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus,<sup>5</sup>

*Recalling also* the Marrakesh Ministerial Decision on Measures Concerning the Possible Negative Effects of the Reform Programme on Least Developed and Net Food-importing Developing Countries,

*Recalling further* the Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development and its outcome document,<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Resolution 55/2.

<sup>2</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18–22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

<sup>3</sup> *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August–4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex, and resolution 2, annex.

<sup>4</sup> Resolution 60/1.

<sup>5</sup> Resolution 63/239, annex.

<sup>6</sup> Resolution 63/303, annex.



*Recalling* the thirteenth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, held in Doha from 21 to 26 April 2012, and its outcome documents,<sup>7</sup>

*Recalling also* the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development and its outcome document, entitled “The future we want”,<sup>8</sup>

1. *Reaffirms* that international trade is an engine for development and sustained economic growth, and also reaffirms the critical role that a universal, rules-based, open, non-discriminatory and equitable multilateral trading system, as well as meaningful trade liberalization, can play in stimulating economic growth and development worldwide, thereby benefiting all countries at all stages of development;

2. *Expresses serious concern* at the lack of progress in the Doha Round of World Trade Organization negotiations, reiterates the call for the necessary flexibility and political will in order to break the current impasse in the negotiations, and in this regard calls for a balanced, ambitious, comprehensive and development-oriented outcome of the Doha Development Agenda multilateral trade negotiations, in keeping with the development mandate of the Doha Ministerial Declaration,<sup>9</sup> the decision of 1 August 2004 of the General Council of the World Trade Organization and the Hong Kong Ministerial Declaration adopted by the World Trade Organization in 2005;

3. *Recognizes* the importance of the Bali Ministerial Declaration and the set of ministerial decisions, understandings and declarations known as the “Bali package” of the Ninth Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization, held in Bali, Indonesia, from 3 to 6 December 2013, and calls upon Member States to implement all decisions therein in a timely manner, including the Agreement on Trade Facilitation, the decision on public stockholding for food security purposes and the commitment stated in the Bali Ministerial Declaration to prepare a work programme on the remaining issues of the Doha Development Agenda;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to submit to the General Assembly at its seventieth session a report on international trade and development, including on the implementation of its resolution 68/199 and taking into account the post-2015 development agenda and other relevant processes;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, the sub-item entitled “International trade and development”.

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<sup>7</sup> See TD/500 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and 2.

<sup>8</sup> Resolution 66/288, annex.

<sup>9</sup> See A/C.2/56/7, annex.