



**Committee of Permanent Representatives
to the United Nations Human Settlements Programme
Second open-ended meeting: preparations for the
second session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly
Nairobi, 29–31 May and 2 June 2023**

Group of African States

**Equitable Financing and Effective Monitoring of the Implementation of
Resolutions Adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly**

The United Nations Habitat Assembly of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 69/313¹ of 27 July 2015 endorsing the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, reflective of strong political commitment to address the challenge of financing and creating enabling environment at all levels for sustainable development, also noting the challenges of many countries in falling behind and the dramatic increase in inequalities, and the possibility of solutions through the strengthening of public policies, [Ad ref 31May2023](#)

Noting the stipulations of the Istanbul Declaration on Human Settlements and the Habitat Agenda² of June 1996, specifically paragraph 13 on the need to “mobilize financial resources at the national and international levels, including new and additional resources from all sources – multilateral and bilateral, public and private”; [Ad ref 31May2023](#)

Affirming the importance of the effective implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly to achieve their intended goals in furtherance of the sustainable development aspirations of Member States, [Ad ref 31May2023](#)

[\[Noting that in 2022 only \[X\] Member States contributed to UN-Habitat’s Foundation non-earmarked fund and \[X\] Member States contributed earmarked funding to UN-Habitat\] {USA+}](#)

Recognizing the challenges posed by the absence of effective financing and monitoring mechanisms in achieving the goals of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly and its effect on the confidence in the organization and faith in multilateralism, [Ad ref 31May2023](#)

Further recalling the commitments made in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development³ to ensure effective implementation of sustainable development goals, [Ad ref 31May2023](#)

¹ [A/RES/69/313](#)

² [A/CONF.165/14](#)

³ [A/RES/70/1](#)

Acknowledging the need to establish a comprehensive framework for financing and monitoring the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly, [Ad ref 31May2023](#)

1. Requests the Executive Director to implement in consultation with the Executive Board a tracking system on the status of implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly to ensure accountability and transparency, readily accessible to Member States; [Ad ref 31May2023](#)
2. *Requests* the Executive Director to continue to regularly report on the status of implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly to the appropriate bodies for review and action as needed; [Ad ref 31May2023](#)

3. *[Decides to establish a voluntary ["Equity Pool"] as a separate account within the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation to attract and manage funds from donors to fund the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly that lack adequate financing; Such funds may be derived from, inter alia, supplemental non-earmarked contributions that are designated for the equity pool; unspent balances of earmarked project contributions with the permission of the donor; foreign exchange gains; and earned interest.]{USA reserve, EUN reserve, SWE reserve, }*

4. *[Requests the Executive Director, in consultations with Member States and other relevant actors within the UN system and beyond, to develop the terms of reference of the equity pool, noting the need to achieve the implementation of UN-Habitat Assembly resolutions in a balanced manner.]{USA reserve, EUN reserve, SWE reserve }*

[Alt1. Merge 3 and 4. Calls on all Member States to contribute to UN-Habitat's foundation non-earmarked fund [as well as through soft-earmarked contributions,]{EUN+} to best enable the Executive Director to implement resolutions and decisions adopted by the Assembly] {USA+, EUN+, MAR+, EGY+, KEN+, NGA+, BRA+} [and decides for this purpose, -to establish a voluntary contributory fund, as a separate account within the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation to attract and manage funds for the implementation of resolutions . This fund will also be replenished through unspent balances of earmarked contributions with the permission of the donors, among others.]{EGY+, MAR+, KEN+, NGA+, BRA+, USA and EUN reserve, }

4bis. [Encourages member states with unspent earmarked contributions balances to consider redirecting them for the implementation of resolutions adopted by the Assembly]{USA+, EUN+}

~~3.5.~~ *Invites* all Member States to support the implementation of this resolution and provide the necessary financial resources and technical assistance to ensure its effective implementation; [Ad ref 31May 2023](#)

~~4.6.~~ *Requests* the Executive Director to report to the Executive Board on the progress made in implementing this resolution as appropriate; [Ad ref 31May2023](#)

~~5.7.~~ *[Decides to remain seized of this matter.]{USA+, NGA-}*