Promoting effective implementation, follow up and review of the New Urban Agenda

The Governing Council

[PP1] Welcoming the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban development entitled the New Urban Agenda as adopted by resolutions 71/235 and 71/256 at MEX+ the 71st session of the United Nations General Assembly,

[PP2] Recognizing the New Urban Agenda as the global strategy with shared vision for guiding and promoting collective efforts towards achieving sustainable and inclusive urban development as a critical step for realizing sustainable development in an integrated and coordinated manner at the global, regional, national, subnational and local levels, with the participation of all relevant actors, [MEX+] sustainable housing and urban development over the next 20 years [MEX+], [N.B. MEX proposal draws from para 9 of the New Urban Agenda]

[PP3] Aware that effective implementation of the New Urban Agenda requires deployment of adequate financial resources, enabling environments for subnational governments including capacity building, technology development and transfer—capacity building and mutually beneficial partnerships, and that these have been declining in the recent past, [USA requests deletion, UGA+] EUN reservation, UGA+]

[PP4] Recalling the role and expertise of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), within its mandate, as a focal point for sustainable urbanization and human settlements, including in the implementation, follow-up to and review of the New Urban Agenda, in collaboration with other United Nations system entities.

[PP4 bis] Acknowledging that the implementation of the New Urban Agenda contributes to the implementation and localization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in an integrated manner, [MEX+]

[PP5] Taking note of the need of the work of UN-Habitat to respond to its subsequent amendments in response to ZAF+ to the New Urban Agenda, [the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development] [EUN+, KEN+] including [KEN+] the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) [EUN+, KEN-], the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, the Paris Climate Agreement [under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change] [BRA+, EUN+], [the midterm evaluation report] [EUN+, USA+, ZAF+ and UN-Habitat’s humanitarian work in post-conflict and post-disaster environments, [USA requests reformulation of paragraph]

[PP6] Further taking note of the request to the Secretary-General, in light of the New Urban Agenda, to submit to the General Assembly during its 71st session an evidence-based and independent assessment report [of] [MEX+, KEN+] [the—] [EUN+] [UN-Habitat] [MEX+, KEN+] containing
recommendations to enhance the effectiveness, efficiency, accountability and oversight of UN-Habitat

[PP7] Emphasizing the need [for the full operationalization of the Quito Plan for the [PAK+] to commence][PAK+] implementation of the New Urban Agenda in an integrated, holistic and timely manner, taking into account different national realities [MEX+] [and capacities and levels of development] [KEN+] and the importance of coordination and synergies in achieving the objectives of the Agenda and urbanization components of other [related] [relevant] [ZAF+] global instruments

[PP7alt] Emphasizing the need for countries to work to implement this New Urban Agenda within our own countries and at the regional and global levels, taking into account different national realities, capacities and levels of development, and respecting national legislations and practices, as well as policies and priorities. [USA+, KEN-, PAK-, MEX-]

[PP8] Also Emphasizing that well designed, planned and managed cities and other human settlements [have the potential of] [EUN+] [are needed for] [EUN+] [are essential for] [UGA+] improving the living conditions of [the dwellers] [EUN+] [all] [EUN+] especially the poor and those in vulnerable situations,

[PP9] Recognizing the role of [national, subnational and local] [EUN+, USA+, MEX+] Governments [and relevant stakeholders] [MEX+, USA+] [such as] [MEX+, USA+, PAK+] [and] [MEX+] [non-state actors] [PAK+, MEX+] in the implementation of the New Urban Agenda [across the value chain] [MEX+] [throughout the process] [MEX+] —including policy-making, planning, design, implementation, operation and maintenance, and monitoring, as well as the financing and timely delivery of services.

[PP10] Also recognizing the need to maintain and strengthen existing stakeholder policies as exemplified by the Habitat Agenda Partners, which is a well established broad stakeholder engagement platform within UN-Habitat that draws from best practices and models from other agencies and programmes and in line with relevant General Assembly resolutions. [KEN+] [MEX reservation]

[OP] 1. Calls upon [all Member States] [EUN+, USA+] [developed countries, donors and other countries] [EUN+, USA+] in a position to do so [as well as other donors] [EUN+, USA+] to provide adequate and predictable financial resources [to cushion the UN-Habitat from the negative impacts of the declining financial resource flows in particular from the regular Budget of the United Nations] [USA+] [through voluntary contributions] [USA+] [EUN consider moving to work programme and budget]

[OP] 1bis Urges UN-Habitat to ensure an efficient and accountable management of resources and the delivery of the appropriate technical support to Member States for the effective implementation of the New Urban Agenda.] [MEX+] [USA reservation]

[OP] 2. Encourages UN-Habitat, as a focal point for sustainable urbanization and human settlements [ZAF+], in close collaboration with [Member States and the] [UGA+] relevant [actors] [ZAF+, UGA+] [stakeholders] [ZAF+, UGA+] to develop [a] [EUN+] UN system wide
strategy for [the] [EUN+] implementation of the New Urban Agenda and [to promote] [EUN+, BRA+, USA+] [to lead in] [EUN+, BRA+, USA+] the implementation of the urban [dimensions] [BRA+] aspects [BRA+] of the [2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development] [EUN+, USA+] [including the Sustainable Development Goals] [KEN+] [in an integrated manner] [EUN+, USA+] [Sustainable Development Goals, in close collaboration with Member States and other relevant stakeholders] [EUN+] [to achieve greater synergy, collaboration and coherence in the UN System’s work on] [EUN+] [sustainable] [MEX+] [urbanisation to support Member States, local authorities and other stakeholders in the effective delivery of the New Urban Agenda] [EUN+].

[OP] 2bis. Requests the Executive Director to submit the UN system wide strategy referred to in paragraph 2 to the Committee of Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat as soon as possible. [UGA+]

[OP] 2ter. [Requests the Executive Director to work in close collaboration with Member States in identifying possible pilot countries and/or cities for the early implementation of the New Urban Agenda;] [MEX+] [USA reservation]

[OP] 3. [Requests] [USA+] a timely submission by the Secretary General of [the] [EUN+] [an] [EUN+] independent assessment report containing recommendations on enhancing the effectiveness, efficiency, accountability and oversight [EUN+] of [the]-[EUN+] UN-Habitat for consideration by Member States.

[OP] 4. Requests the UN-Habitat pursuant to the relevant paragraphs of the New Urban Agenda to conduct follow up and review of the NUA and to prepare and submit reports in a timely fashion for consideration and appropriate actions.

[OP] 4alt. Pursuant to the relevant paragraphs of the New Urban Agenda, requests UN-Habitat, given its role within the United Nations system as a focal point on sustainable urbanization and human settlements, including in the implementation, follow-up to and review of the New Urban Agenda, in collaboration with other United Nations system entities, to facilitate a clear and transparent process for the preparation of the report on the progress of the implementation of the New Urban Agenda, while ensuring effective linkages with the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This process shall, among others, contain the following elements:

a. A workshop inviting interested Member States and stakeholders to discuss the specific objectives of the progress report and the mechanisms for achieving these objectives. This workshop should take place no later than...

b. A call for submissions by Member States and interested stakeholders to provide written comments on the proposed objectives and mechanisms of the progress report in due time. UN Habitat shall incorporate these comments, where appropriate, or explain in writing why comments have not been incorporated, where applicable.
c. The establishment of a steering group consisting of Member States and relevant stakeholders, which will guide the preparation of the progress report.] [EUN+]

[OP] 5. Requests the Executive Director to [include]-[EUN+] [consider the inclusion of] [EUN+] representatives of Member States in the Project Advisory Group of the UN- Habitat [whenever there is] [EUN+]-[when appropriate aiming at the improvement of the efficiency and impact of] [EUN+] a joint project to be undertaken in partnership [USA reservation]

[OP] [5bis. Decides to rename Habitat Agenda Partners as New Urban Agenda Partners to be the official UN multi-stakeholder engagement platform and requests UN-Habitat to update its database to include all relevant stakeholders that participated in the Habitat III process. Also decides in this regard to discontinue the General Assembly of Partners.] [KEN+] [USA, MEX reservation]

[OP] 6. Requests the Executive Director to submit a report on the implementation of the present resolution for consideration by Member States during the next Governing Council