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The General Assembly decided to hold the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5) in Doha, Qatar, from 23 to 27 January 2022 at the highest possible level, including Heads of State and Government, in line with the mandate specified in resolutions 73/242 and 74/232. The expected outcome of LDC5, a new 10-year programme of action for the LDCs, will be adopted at a critical time, falling within the last 10 years of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustainable Development Goals across the LDCs.

At the LDC5 Conference, the international community is expected to: undertake a comprehensive appraisal of the implementation of the IPoA; mobilize additional international support measures and action in favour of LDCs; and agree on a renewed partnership between LDCs and their development partners to overcome structural challenges, eradicate poverty, achieve internationally agreed development goals and enable graduation from the LDC category.

The first Session of the Preparatory Committee was held in May 2021, co-chaired by the Permanent Representatives of Bangladesh and Canada, featuring interactive discussions on structural challenges of LDCs as well as emerging issues, with a view to provide inputs for the formulation of the new Programme of Action. At its second session, held in July 2021, negotiations of the outcome document started, based on the [Zero Draft of the Outcome Document](#), submitted by the LDC Group and circulated to all member states by the co-chairs. The draft text builds on national and regional reviews, thematic appraisals as well as the deliberations at the first session of the Preparatory Committee and suggests enhanced commitments on a broad range of topics related to overcoming the structural vulnerabilities of LDCs. [Rev1 of the Draft Outcome Document](#), circulated to all member states by the co-

