Multi-year programme of work of the Commission on the Status of Women

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling that, in its resolutions 1987/24 of 26 May 1987, 1990/15 of 24 May 1990, 1996/6 of 22 July 1996, 2001/4 of 24 July 2001, 2006/9 of 25 July 2006, 2009/15 of 28 July 2009, 2013/18 of 24 July 2013, 2016/3 of 2 June 2016 and 2020/15 of 27 July 2020, the Council adopted multi-year programmes of work for a focused and thematic approach for the Commission on the Status of Women,

Recalling also that in its resolution 2022/5 the Council requested the Commission at its sixty-ninth session to decide on its future multi-year programme of work,

Recalling further its resolution 2022/4 of 17 June 2022, in which the Council requested the Commission to continue to apply a thematic approach to its work and to adopt a multi-year programme of work to allow predictability and adequate time for preparation; in selecting its priority theme, taking into consideration, in addition to the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcomes of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, the programme of work of the Council, as well as the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, so as to build synergies and contribute to the work of the Council system and the high-level political forum on sustainable development, (Updated to reflect the latest Methods of Work resolution (2022/4, para 33))

Recalling that the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on the Status of Women, in accordance with their respective mandates and in accordance with Assembly resolution 48/162 of 20 December 1993 and other relevant resolutions, should constitute a three-tiered intergovernmental mechanism that would play the primary role in the overall policymaking and follow-up, and in coordinating the implementation and monitoring of the Beijing Platform for Action and reaffirming the catalytic role of the Commission in mainstreaming a gender perspective in policies and programmes,

Acknowledging the centrality of the Beijing Platform for Action to the work of the Commission on the Status of Women, and recognizing that a robust, voluntary, effective, participatory, transparent and integrated follow-up and review framework of the 2030 Agenda will make a vital contribution to the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and help countries to maximize and track progress in order to ensure that no one is left behind,

A. Themes for 2026-2029

- 1. Decides that the Commission's multi-year programme of work for the seventieth, seventy-first, seventy-second and seventy-third sessions will be as follows:
 - a) Seventieth session (2026):
 - i) Priority theme: Transforming care systems: towards achieving sustainable development, gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls and accelerating implementation of the 2030 Agenda
 - ii) Review theme: Women's full and effective participation and decision-making in public life, as well as the elimination of violence, for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls (agreed conclusions from the sixty-fifth session)
 - b) Seventy-first session (2027):

- i) Priority theme: Gender equality, the empowerment of all women and girls and their human rights across the Sustainable Development Goals: assessing progress towards the implementation of the 2030 Agenda
- ii) Review theme: Achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in the context of climate change, environmental and disaster risk reduction policies and programmes (agreed conclusions from the sixty-sixth session)
- c) Seventy-second session (2028):
 - i) Priority theme: Advancing gender equality, women's leadership and empowerment in humanitarian emergencies: a call for global action
 - ii) Review theme: Innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls (agreed conclusions from the sixty-seventh session)
- d) Seventy-third session (2029):
 - i) Priority theme: Strengthening women's access to justice and eliminating discriminatory laws
 - ii) Review theme: Accelerating the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls by addressing poverty and strengthening institutions and financing with a gender perspective (agreed conclusions from the sixty-eighth session)
- 2. Requests the Commission to consider and make a recommendation at its seventy-first session, in 2027, on how best to utilize the year 2030, on the occasion of the thirty-fifth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women, so as to accelerate the realization of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls and the full realization of their human rights;
- 3. Affirms that the Commission will contribute to the thematic reviews of progress on the Sustainable Development Goals taking place at the high-level political forum on sustainable development;

B. Methods of work of the Commission on the Status of Women

4. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Commission at its seventy-first session a report on ways and means to further enhance the impact of the work of the Commission, taking into consideration the outcomes of the forthcoming inclusive intergovernmental process on the revitalization of the Commission under the auspices of the President of the Economic and Social Council, as mandated by the Pact for the Future, in the context of the thirtieth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women. (Update based on SG report para 32)