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Interactive Dialogue with G20

In the spirit of “reaffirming the central role of the United Nations in global governance”, the President of the General Assembly convened two informal plenary meetings on the Group of 20 (G20) in 2010 to promote constructive interaction between the United Nations and other major informal groups such as the G20.

The first meeting was held on 22 October prior to the G20 Seoul Summit, with the United Nations Secretary-General, H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, and the representative of the current Chair of the G20, H.E. Mr. Ho-young Ahn, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade and Ambassador At-large for the G20 of the Republic of Korea.

The second meeting took place on 16 November after the G20 Seoul Summit, which was held in the Republic of Korea on 11 and 12 November 2010. Mr. Ho-young Ahn and the representative of the incoming Chair of the G20, H.E. Mr. Jean-David Levitte, Diplomatic Advisor and Sherpa for the G20 for the President of France, participated as the speakers.

The meetings provided an informal platform for all United Nations Member States to get together and discuss their views on the G20 activities and the agenda and outcomes of the G20 Summits with a view to enhancing cooperation and coordination between the United Nations and the G20.