

ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.3/69/L.11/Rev.1 ENTITLED "Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly"

1. The present statement is made in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

2. In operative paragraph 62 of draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.11/Rev.1, the General Assembly would decide to devote one high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly, within existing resources, at its seventieth session, in 2015, to the commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the World Summit, in order to celebrate the progress made so far and further strengthen the role of social development beyond 2015 and requests the President of the General Assembly to conduct consultations with Member States in order to determine the modalities for the High Level Plenary Meeting.

3. Pursuant to the request contained in operative paragraph 62, it is understood that all issues related to the high-level plenary meeting including the date, format, organization and scope are yet to be determined. Accordingly, in the absence of modalities for the meeting, it is not possible at the present time to estimate the potential costs implications of the requirements for meetings and documentation. Upon the decision on the modalities, format and organization of the meeting, the Secretary-General would submit the relevant costs of such requirements in accordance with rule 153 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly. Furthermore, the date of the meeting will have to be determined in consultation with the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management.

4. Accordingly, adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.11/Rev.1 would not give rise to any financial implications under the programme budget.