

**Oral statement on draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.2 entitled  
"Follow-up to the Twelfth United Nations Congress on  
Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations  
for the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime  
Prevention and Criminal Justice"**

1. This oral statement is made in accordance with rule 154 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.
2. By operative paragraphs 2, 10, 13, 14 and 19 of the draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.2, the General Assembly would:
  - "2. Reiterate its invitation to Governments and relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to inform the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice about their activities aimed at the implementation of the Salvador Declaration and the recommendations adopted by the Twelfth Congress, with a view to providing guidance on the formulation of legislation, policies and programmes in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice at the national and international levels, and to that end requests the Secretary-General to prepare a report on the subject to be submitted to the Congress for its consideration;
  - "10. Reiterate its request to the Secretary-General to make available the resources necessary to ensure the participation of the least developed countries in the Thirteenth Congress, in accordance with past practice;
  - "13. Reiterate its request to the Secretary-General to facilitate the organization of ancillary meetings of non-governmental and professional organizations participating in the Thirteenth Congress, in accordance with past practice, as well as meetings of professional and geographical interest groups, and to take appropriate measures to encourage the participation of the academic and research community in the Congress;
  - "14. Also reiterate its request to the Secretary-General to encourage the participation of representatives from relevant entities of the United Nations system in the Thirteenth Congress, bearing in mind the main theme, agenda items and workshop topics of the Congress;
  - "19. Request the Secretary-General to ensure proper follow-up to the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly, through the Commission, at its seventieth session."

3. With regard to the request contained in operative paragraph 2, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management has indicated that the report requested could be provided on the assumption that the timelines for the submission and processing of documentation are determined in consultation between the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice secretariat and the Conference Management Service of UNOV.
4. With regard to the requests contained in operative paragraphs 10, 13, 14 and 19, the resource requirements have been provided under the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 to provide for: (a) specialized expertise to prepare technical research papers on the substantive agenda items and workshop topics of the Thirteenth Congress to be held from 12 to 19 April 2015; (b) participation of the least developed countries in the regional preparatory meetings for the Thirteenth Congress and in the Congress itself; (c) the travel of staff to provide substantive servicing for the regional preparatory meetings of the Thirteenth Congress; and (d) for the report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly on the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.
5. Hence, adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.2 would not entail any additional appropriation under the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 and the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017.