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Agenda item 9

**Follow-up to the Fourteenth United Nations
Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal
Justice and preparations for the Fifteenth United
Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and
Criminal Justice****Financial statement on the revised draft resolution entitled
“Follow-up to the Fourteenth United Nations Congress on
Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations
for the Fifteenth United Nations Congress on Crime
Prevention and Criminal Justice”***

1. The present statement was made in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.
2. By operative paragraphs 5, 13, 14, 19, 21, 23, 24, 26 and 27 of revised draft resolution E/CN.15/2024/L.3/Rev.1 the General Assembly would:
 5. Decide to hold the Fifteenth Congress in Abu Dhabi from 25 to 30 April 2026, with pre-Congress consultations to be held on 24 April 2026;
 13. Request the Secretary-General to finalize the discussion guide in a timely manner, taking into account the recommendations of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, as well as additional comments and feedback from Member States, in order to enable the regional preparatory meetings for the Fifteenth Congress to be held as early as possible in 2025;
 14. Reiterate its request to the Secretary-General to facilitate the organization of the five regional preparatory meetings and to make available the necessary resources for the participation of the least developed countries in those meetings and in the Fifteenth Congress itself, in accordance with past practice;
 19. Also request the Secretary-General to facilitate the organization of ancillary meetings of non-governmental and professional organizations participating in the Fifteenth Congress, in accordance with past practice, as well as meetings of professional and geographical interest groups, and to take

* The final text of the revised draft resolution, which originally appeared under the symbol E/CN.15/2024/L.3/Rev.1, will be contained in E/2024/30–E/CN.15/2024/16, chapter I, section A, draft resolution I.



appropriate measures to encourage the participation of the academic and research community in the Congress, and encourages Member States to actively participate in the above-mentioned meetings, as they provide an opportunity to develop and maintain strong partnerships with the private sector and civil society organizations;

21. Request the Secretary-General to prepare a plan for the documentation for the Fifteenth Congress, in consultation with the extended Bureau of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice;

23. Further request the Secretary-General to provide the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime with the necessary resources, from within the overall appropriations of the programme budget for 2025 and the programme budget for 2026, to support the preparations for and holding of the Fifteenth Congress;

24. Request the Secretary-General to ensure, in collaboration with Member States, a wide and effective programme of public information relating to the preparations for the Fifteenth Congress, to the Congress itself and to the follow-up to and implementation of its recommendations;

26. Request the Secretary-General to ensure proper follow-up to the present resolution and to report thereon to the General Assembly through the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its thirty-fourth session;

27. Also request the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its eighty-first session a report on the implementation of the present resolution.

3. The request contained in operative paragraphs 5, 13, 14, 19, 21, 23, 24, 26 and 27 of the revised draft resolution would constitute an addition to the workload for the Secretariat in 2025 and 2026. The resource requirements would provide for, amongst others: (a) assistance with the preparation, documentation and servicing of the preparatory meetings of the Fifteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and for the Congress itself, including interpretation and translation in all six official languages; (b) participation of the least developed countries in the regional preparatory meetings for the Fifteenth Congress and for the Congress itself; and (c) the travel of staff to provide substantive servicing for the regional preparatory meetings of the Fifteenth Congress and for the Congress itself.

4. Adoption of revised draft resolution E/CN.15/2024/L.3/Rev.1 would not entail any additional appropriation under the programme budget for 2024. Resources estimated in the amount of \$1,395,500 have been included in the proposed programme budget for 2025 for consideration of the General Assembly at its 79th session. Resource requirements for 2026 would be presented in the proposed programme budget for 2026 for consideration of the General Assembly at its 80th session.
