Equitable Financing and Effective Monitoring of the Implementation of Resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly

1. Introduction:

1.1 This resolution aims to address the challenge of ensuring adequate financing and effective monitoring of the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly. The absence of effective funding and proper monitoring often undermines the implementation of resolutions and the achievement of their intended goals. However, some resolutions attract a lot of interest from more and adequate funding for their implementation by extension, while others are almost entirely abandoned for lack of funds. The purpose of this resolution is to provide a framework for financing and monitoring the implementation of resolutions to ensure that they are effectively implemented on the same footing and their intended goals are all achieved.

2. Key Components:

- 2.1 This resolution will basically propose three actions to be incorporated into the processes of UN-Habitat
 - Enhanced Financing: This resolution proffers measures that promote adequate financing for the implementation of resolutions. It proposes an "Equity Pool" (a voluntary pool) to ensure that UN-Habitat attracts and manages funds from donors to fund the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly that do not have adequate financing
 - **Monitoring:** The resolution proffers a grading system for resolutions to ensure effective monitoring of the implementation of resolutions. This resolution proposes an implementation monitoring mechanism as well as reporting templates to govern the implementation of all adopted resolutions.
 - **Reporting:** The resolution will require regular establishment of a database displaying information on the status of implementation of resolutions to ensure accountability and transparency. Reports will be submitted to the appropriate bodies for review and action as needed.

3. Conclusion:

3.1 This resolution will provide a robust framework for financing and monitoring the implementation of all adopted resolutions, which is critical to ensuring their effective implementation and the eventual achievement of the mandates of UN-Habitat.

Furthermore, this resolution intends to restore trust amongst all Member States, and to deal with the growing sentiment that resolutions sponsored by certain regions are better funded than those coming from others. With the view to reenacting the relevance of all resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly. By taking a comprehensive approach to financing and monitoring, UN-Habitat can ensure that its resources are used effectively and its mandates are implemented in a timely and efficient manner.

Draft Resolution: Equitable Financing and Effective Monitoring of the Implementation of Resolutions Adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly

The United Nations Habitat Assembly of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 69/313¹ of 27 July 2015 endorsing the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, reflective of strong political commitment to address the challenge of financing and creating enabling environment at all levels for sustainable development, also noting the challenges of many countries in falling behind and the dramatic increase in inequalities, and the possibility of solutions through the strengthening of public policies,

Noting the stipulations of the Istanbul Declaration on Human Settlements and the Habitat Agenda² of June 1996, specifically paragraph 13 on the need to "mobilize financial resources at the national and international levels, including new and additional resources from all sources – multilateral and bilateral, public and private";

Affirming the importance of the effective implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly to achieve their intended goals in furtherance of the sustainable development aspirations of Member States,

Recognizing the challenges posed by the absence of effective financing and monitoring mechanisms in achieving the goals of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly and its effect on the confidence in the organization and faith in multilateralism,

Further recalling the commitments made in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development³ to ensure effective implementation of sustainable development goals,

Acknowledging the need to establish a comprehensive framework for financing and monitoring the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly,

Operative Paragraphs

- 1. Decides to establish a voluntary "Equity Pool" as a separate account within the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation4 to attract and manage funds from donors to fund the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly that lack adequate financing; Such funds may be derived from, inter alia, supplemental non-earmarked contributions that are designated for the equity pool; unspent balances of earmarked project contributions with the permission of the donor; foreign exchange gains; and earned interest.
- 2. Requests the Executive Director, in consultations with Member States and other relevant actors within the UN system and beyond, to develop the terms of reference of the equity pool, noting the need to achieve the implementation of UN-Habitat Assembly resolutions in a balanced manner.

² A/CONF.165/14

¹ A/RES/69/313

³ A/RES/70/1

⁴ A/RES/3327(XXIX)

- 2. Requests the Executive Director to implement a tracking system on the status of implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly to ensure accountability and transparency, readily accessible to Member States;
- 3. Requests the Executive Director to submit regular reports on the status of implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly to the appropriate bodies for review and action as needed;
- 4. Calls upon all Member States to support the implementation of this resolution and provide the necessary financial resources and technical assistance to ensure its effective implementation;
- 5. Requests the Executive Director to report to the Executive Board on the progress made in implementing this resolution as appropriate;
- 6. Decides to remain seized of this matter.

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