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Draft report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme on the work of its first session of 2024

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Introduction

1. The Executive Board of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) was established in accordance with General Assembly resolution 73/239 of 20 December 2018, on the implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations Conferences on Human Settlements and on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development and strengthening of UN-Habitat.
2. The Executive Board held its third session of 2023 from 28 to 30 November 2023. At that session, in its decision 2023/7, on methods of work of the Executive Board and the workplan of the Executive Board for 2024, the Executive Board agreed that its first session of 2024 would be held for a duration of three days from 6 to 8 May 2024.
3. Accordingly, the first session of 2024 was held at the headquarters of UN-Habitat in Nairobi from 6 to 8 May 2024.

I. Opening of the session

4. The first session of 2024 of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat was opened at 9.35 a.m. on Monday, 6 May 2024, by the Chair, Ahmed Musa Dangiwa (Nigeria), who outlined the arrangements for the session on the basis of recommendations made by the Bureau of the Executive Board. The session was being held fully in person on the recommendation of the Bureau at its meeting on 2 February 2024, with restricted online access without interpretation for authorized delegations and relevant officers. Simultaneous interpretation into the six official languages of the United Nations would be available for six hours daily during the session for participants attending in person.
5. Opening statements were delivered by Zainab Hawa Bangura, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Nairobi; Michal Mlynár, Acting Executive Director of UN-Habitat; Paula Narváez, President of the Economic and Social Council (via recorded video message); and Alice Wahome, Cabinet Secretary for Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development, Kenya.

II. Organizational matters

A. Adoption of the agenda and the workplan for the first session of 2024

6. The Executive Board adopted the following agenda for its first session of 2024 on the basis of the provisional agenda (HSP/EB.2024/1) and the annotated provisional agenda (HSP/EB.2024/1/Add.1):

1. Opening of the session.
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda and the workplan for the first session of 2024;
 - (b) Adoption of the report of the Executive Board on the work of its third session of 2023.
3. Reports by the chairs of the ad hoc working groups established by the Executive Board.
4. Financial, budgetary and administrative matters, including the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy in accordance with the strategic plan for the period 2020–2025 and action by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) to address geographical and gender imbalances in the composition of its staff.
5. Update on the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025.
6. Update on the preparation of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2026–2029.
7. Implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including reporting on its programmatic activities in 2023 and the implementation of subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities.
8. Preparations for the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum.
9. Update on the implementation of all the resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme.
10. Update on the implementation of the United Nations development system reform in UN-Habitat.
11. Action by UN-Habitat to strengthen protection against sexual and any other type of exploitation and abuse and against sexual harassment in the workplace.
12. Report of the Executive Director on actions to update and improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat.
13. Consideration and adoption of the outcomes of the session, including the provisional agenda for the second session of 2024.
14. Other matters.
15. Closure of the session.

7. The Executive Board agreed to follow the proposed organization of work and timetable for the first session of 2024, as set out in the relevant documents. Draft decisions for consideration by the Executive Board, as forwarded to the Chair of the Board by Pedro León Cortés Ruiz (Colombia), Chair of the ad hoc working group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters, which had been tasked by the Bureau with leading the consultations on the draft decisions for consideration at the current session, were circulated in a conference room paper and presented by the Chair of the Executive Board. The Executive Board agreed that informal consultations on the draft decisions should be held at agreed times during the session, for consideration and possible adoption by the Executive Board at the last meeting of the session, on 8 May 2024. The Executive Board agreed that the informal consultations would be co-chaired by Mr. Cortés Ruiz (Colombia) and Victory Jaja (Nigeria).

B. Adoption of the report of the Executive Board on the work of its third session of 2023

8. The Executive Board adopted the report on the work of its third session of 2023 (HSP/EB.2023/22), held from 28 to 30 November 2023, by paragraph 1 of part (a), on reports of the Executive Board and its ad hoc working groups, of decision 2024/4, on methods of work of the Executive Board and the workplan of the Executive Board for 2024. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13. The Executive Board also adopted part (b), on working methods of the Executive Board to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the sessions of the Board, of decision 2024/4, on methods of work of the Executive Board and the workplan of the Executive Board for 2024, by which it took note of the results of the survey conducted by the secretariat following the third session of 2023 of the Executive Board.

C. Attendance

9. The session was attended by representatives of the following States members of the UN-Habitat Executive Board: Angola, Argentina, Bahrain, Barbados, Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, China, Colombia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, France, Germany, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Kenya, Malawi, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Senegal, Serbia, Spain, Sweden, Türkiye, United States of America, Uruguay.

10. The session was also attended by the following observers that are States members of the United Nations: Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Chile, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Czechia, Eritrea, Finland, Ghana, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Madagascar, Malaysia, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), Norway, Oman, Philippines, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Slovakia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Thailand, Tunisia, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

11. The session was also attended by the following observers that are members of specialized agencies of the United Nations: European Union and State of Palestine.

12. The session was also attended by the following observers: Holy See and League of Arab States.

III. Reports by the chairs of the ad hoc working groups established by the Executive Board

13. The Chair introduced the item.

14. Mr. Cortés Ruiz, Chair of the ad hoc working group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters, provided a briefing on the work of that group.

15. The Chair of the ad hoc working group on the development of a stakeholder engagement policy, Antonio Miguel Luís (Portugal), provided an update on the work of that group. He drew attention to the latest draft of the stakeholder engagement policy, set out in document HSP/EB.2024/INF.2.

16. Following the briefings, statements were made by the representatives of the following States members of the Executive Board: Brazil, France, Germany, Morocco, Russian Federation, Sweden, Türkiye and United States.

17. The Executive Board took note of the information provided by the chairs of the ad hoc working groups established by the Executive Board.

18. The Executive Board adopted paragraphs 2 to 4 of part (a), on reports of the Executive Board and its ad hoc working groups, of decision 2024/4, on methods of work of the Executive Board and the workplan of the Executive Board for 2024. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

IV. Financial, budgetary and administrative matters, including the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy in accordance with the strategic plan for the period 2020–2025 and action by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) to address geographical and gender imbalances in the composition of its staff

19. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the reports of the Executive Director on the financial status of UN-Habitat as at 31 December 2023 (HSP/EB.2024/2); on recruitment, equitable geographical distribution and gender parity (HSP/EB.2024/2/Add.1); and on the staffing of UN-Habitat as at 31 December 2023 (HSP/EB.2024/INF/3). The report of the Executive Director on the financial status of UN-Habitat as at 31 March 2024 was set out in a conference room paper.

20. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on financial, budgetary and administrative matters, providing information on the financial achievements of recent years, the assets of the Foundation and the staffing situation. A representative of the secretariat gave a presentation providing further detail on the financial situation, including the 2023 expenses of UN-Habitat, the financial position of UN-Habitat as at 31 December 2023 and as at 31 March 2024, and the assets, revenue and expenses of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation since 2014; resource mobilization, including contribution patterns, the donor base and earmarking; and gender parity and geographical distribution in staffing.

21. Following the statement and presentation, statements were made by the representatives of the following States members of the Executive Board: Argentina, Brazil, Cameroon (speaking on behalf of the African States), Colombia, Egypt (speaking first on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and thereafter on behalf of Egypt), Germany, India, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, Morocco, Portugal, Sweden and United States. Statements were also delivered by the representatives of Indonesia, Malaysia and the State of Palestine (on behalf of the Asia-Pacific States). The Acting Executive Director and the representative of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.

22. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 4 and the further information provided.

23. The Executive Board adopted paragraphs 4 and 5 of part (b), on the financial, budgetary and administrative matters of UN-Habitat, including the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy and geographical and gender balance, of decision 2024/1, on the draft work programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025, and financial, budgetary and administrative matters and the strategic plan of UN-Habitat. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

V. Update on the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025

24. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the report of the Executive Director on the status of the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025 (HSP/EB.2024/3) and the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025 (HSP/EB.2024/INF/4).

25. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on the status of the draft UN-Habitat annual work programme and budget for 2025. Representatives of the secretariat gave a presentation providing further information on the matter.

26. Following the statement and presentation, statements were made by the representatives of the following States members of the Executive Board: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, France, Germany, Nigeria, Portugal and United States. The Acting Executive Director and the representatives of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.

27. The representative of the League of Arab States delivered a statement. The representative of the United States spoke in exercise of the right of reply.

28. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 5 and the further information provided.

29. The Executive Board adopted part (a), on the status of the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025, of decision 2024/1, on the draft work programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025, and financial, budgetary and administrative matters and the strategic plan of UN-Habitat. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

VI. Update on the preparation of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2026–2029

30. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the report on the midterm evaluation of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2020–2025 (HSP/EB.2024/4) and the report of the Executive Director on the development of the draft strategic plan for the period 2026–2029 (HSP/EB.2024/5).

31. Fatoumata Ndiaye, Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services, Office of Internal Oversight Services, delivered a statement via video link on the results of the midterm evaluation of the strategic plan for the period 2020–2025, including its strengths, the challenges faced, areas for improvement and related recommendations. Juan Carlos Peña, Chief of Section, Inspection and Evaluation Division, Office of Internal Oversight Services, delivered a statement, providing more details on the methodology used for the evaluation.

32. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on the preparation of the strategic plan for the period 2026–2029. A representative of the secretariat gave a presentation providing further detail, including on the purpose and guiding principles of the new strategic plan, the progress made since the issuance of the report of the Executive Director, the process of identifying priorities, the emerging approach to the preparation of the plan and the way forward.

33. Following the statement and presentation, statements were made by the representatives of the following States members of the Executive Board: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, France, Germany, Kenya, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Portugal, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sweden and United States. Statements were also delivered by the representatives of Burkina Faso, the European Union and Indonesia. The Acting Executive Director, Mr. Peña and representatives of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.

34. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 6 and the further information provided.

35. The Executive Board adopted part (c), on the midterm review of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2020–2025 and status of the draft strategic plan for the period 2026–2029, of decision 2024/1, on the draft work programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025, and financial, budgetary and administrative matters and the strategic plan of UN-Habitat. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

VII. Implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including reporting on its programmatic activities in 2023 and the implementation of subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities

36. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the report of the Executive Director on normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including updates on the Inclusive Communities, Thriving Cities flagship programme, the Sustainable Urban Resilience for the Next Generation (SURGe) initiative, urban crises prevention and response initiatives and activities for the period July–December 2023 (HSP/EB.2024/6), the note by the secretariat providing an overview of the options for the operationalization of the SURGe initiative (HSP/EB.2024/INF/5), the preliminary report of the Executive Director on the status of the development of efforts to reconstruct the human settlements in the Gaza Strip (HSP/EB.2024/INF/6), and the report of the Executive Director providing highlights of normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat for the period July–December 2023 (HSP/EB.2024/INF/7).

37. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on the implementation of normative and operational activities. A representative of the secretariat gave a presentation providing further information on progress in the implementation of the global initiatives under the Inclusive

Communities, Thriving Cities flagship programme. In addition, a video was shown presenting a compilation of video messages from partners working with UN-Habitat on the implementation of normative and operational activities, and a statement was made by Giovanna Valverde-Stark, Permanent Representative of Costa Rica, describing urban development initiatives being undertaken in her country in collaboration with UN-Habitat.

38. Another representative of the secretariat gave a presentation providing an update on the “Strengthened climate action and improved urban environment” subprogramme, with a focus on the SURGe initiative; and an update on UN-Habitat urban crisis response activities, including the report on the status of the development of efforts to reconstruct human settlements in the Gaza Strip.
39. Following the statements and presentations, statements were made by the representatives of the following States members of the Executive Board: Argentina, Cameroon, Colombia, Egypt, France, Germany, Japan, Kenya, Malawi, Morocco, Nigeria and United States. Statements were also made by the representatives of Israel, the State of Palestine and Ukraine. The Acting Executive Director and a representative of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.
40. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 7 and the further information provided.
41. The Executive Board adopted part (a), on the implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, of decision 2024/2, on the implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

VIII. Preparations for the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum

42. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the report of the Executive Director on the status of preparations for the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum (HSP/EB.2024/7).
43. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on the preparations by UN-Habitat for the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum, to be held in Cairo from 4 to 8 November 2024. A representative of the secretariat gave a presentation providing further detail on the preparations, including the theme of the twelfth session and related branding; the session programme, the main sessions, and practical considerations such as registration; regional mobilization around the event; and accessibility and inclusivity at the twelfth session. The representative of Egypt gave a statement on behalf of the Government of Egypt outlining the preparations under way.
44. Fanta Dejen, State Minister of Urban Development and Infrastructure, Ethiopia, delivered a statement on the African Urban Forum, to be held in Ethiopia from 4 to 6 September 2024.
45. Following the statements and presentation, statements were made by the following States members of the Executive Board: Colombia, France, Germany, Kenya and United States. The Acting Executive Director and the representative of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.
46. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 8 and the further information provided.
47. The Executive Board adopted part (b), on preparations for the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum, of decision 2024/2, on the implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

IX. Update on the implementation of all the resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

48. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the report of the Executive Director on the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly (HSP/EB.2024/8).
49. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on the implementation of resolutions adopted by the UN-Habitat Assembly. A representative of the secretariat gave a presentation highlighting the progress made in the implementation of each of the resolutions adopted by the UN-Habitat Assembly at its first session, in 2019, as well as its second session, which was adjourned on 9 June 2023 to be resumed on 29 and 30 May 2025.
50. Following the statement and presentation, statements were made by the representatives of the following States members of the Executive Board: Argentina, Bahrain, Brazil, Colombia, France, Kenya (speaking on behalf of the African States), Mexico, Morocco, Portugal, South Africa and

United States. A statement was also made by the representative of Azerbaijan. The Acting Executive Director and representatives of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.

51. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 9 and the further information provided.

52. The Executive Board adopted decision 2024/3, on update on the implementation of resolutions adopted by the UN-Habitat Assembly. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

X. Update on the implementation of the United Nations development system reform in UN-Habitat

53. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the note by the secretariat on the implementation of the United Nations development system reform in UN-Habitat (HSP/EB.2024/9) and the checklist on the implementation of the reform of the United Nations development system in UN-Habitat (HSP/EB.2024/INF/8).

54. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on the implementation of the United Nations development system reform in UN-Habitat. A representative of the secretariat gave a presentation providing further detail on the reform, including the mandate for the reform; the proposed checklist for governing bodies of entities in the development system; the key pillars of the reform; the related funding compact; the challenges faced by UN-Habitat; and ongoing collaboration and engagement at the regional level.

55. Following the statement and presentation, statements were made by the following States members of the Executive Board: Mexico, Portugal, Sweden and United States. The Acting Executive Director and the representative of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.

56. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 10 and the further information provided.

57. The Executive Board adopted part (c), on the implementation by UN-Habitat of the reform of the United Nations development system, of decision 2024/2, on the implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

XI. Action by UN-Habitat to strengthen protection against sexual and any other type of exploitation and abuse and against sexual harassment in the workplace

58. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the report of the Executive Director on action by UN-Habitat to strengthen protection against sexual and any other type of exploitation and abuse and against sexual harassment in the workplace (HSP/EB.2024/10).

59. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on actions by UN-Habitat to strengthen protection against sexual and any other type of exploitation and abuse and against sexual harassment in the workplace. A representative of the secretariat gave a presentation providing further information on the matter.

60. Following the statement and presentation, statements were made by the representatives of the following States members of the Executive Board: Colombia, Kenya, Mexico, Netherlands (Kingdom of the) and United States. The Acting Executive Director and representatives of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.

61. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 11 and the further information provided.

62. The Executive Board adopted paragraph 7 of part (b), on the financial, budgetary and administrative matters of UN-Habitat, including the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy and geographical and gender balance, of decision 2024/1, on the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025, and financial, budgetary and administrative matters and the strategic plan of UN-Habitat. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

XII. Report of the Executive Director on actions to update and improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat

63. Introducing the item, the Chair drew attention to the report of the Executive Director on actions to improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat (HSP/EB.2024/11).
64. The Acting Executive Director delivered a statement on actions to improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat, including in relation to a digital transformation strategy, a comprehensive accountability framework and results-based management.
65. A representative of the secretariat gave a presentation providing further detail, including on the strategic direction; the management of programmes, partnerships, human and financial resources and staff relations; resource mobilization; the regional architecture; oversight, monitoring and evaluation; and ethics.
66. Following the statement and presentation, a statement was made by the following State member of the Executive Board: United States. The Acting Executive Director and the representative of the secretariat responded to the issues raised.
67. The Executive Board took note of the documentation presented under agenda item 12 and the further information provided.
68. The Executive Board adopted paragraph 6 of part (b), on the financial, budgetary and administrative matters of UN-Habitat, including the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy and geographical and gender balance, of decision 2024/1, on the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025, and financial, budgetary and administrative matters and the strategic plan of UN-Habitat. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

XIII. Consideration and adoption of the outcomes of the session, including the provisional agenda for the second session of 2024

A. Outcomes of the session

69. At its first session of 2024, the Executive Board adopted the following decisions, which are set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13:
- (a) Decision 2024/1: Draft work programme of UN-Habitat and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025, and financial, budgetary and administrative matters and the strategic plan of UN-Habitat, comprising:
- (i) Part (a): Status of the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2025;
 - (ii) Part (b): Financial, budgetary and administrative matters of UN-Habitat, including the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy and geographical and gender balance;
 - (iii) Part (c): Midterm review of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2020–2025 and status of the draft strategic plan for the period 2026–2029;
- (b) Decision 2024/2: Implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, comprising:
- (i) Part (a): Implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat;
 - (ii) Part (b): Preparations for the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum;
 - (iii) Part (c): Implementation by UN-Habitat of the reforms of the United Nations development system;
- (c) Decision 2024/3: Update on the implementation of resolutions adopted by the UN-Habitat Assembly, comprising:
- (i) Part (a): Progress in the implementation of all the resolutions adopted by the UN-Habitat Assembly;

- (ii) Part (b): Implementation of UN-Habitat Assembly resolution 2/5 on enhancing the interlinkage between urbanization and climate change resilience, in particular, the operationalization of the Sustainable Urban Resilience for the Next Generation (SURGe) initiative as a meaningful institutional arrangement;
 - (iii) Part (c): Implementation of UN-Habitat Assembly resolution 2/7 on adequate housing for all, in particular, the date and agenda for the first session of the open-ended intergovernmental expert working group on adequate housing for all and its activities and programme of work;
- (d) Decision 2024/4: Methods of work of the Executive Board and the workplan of the Executive Board for 2024, comprising:
- (i) Part (a): Reports of the Executive Board and its ad hoc working groups;
 - (ii) Part (b): Working methods of the Executive Board to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the sessions of the Board;
 - (iii) Part (c): Dates and provisional agenda for the second session of 2024 of the Executive Board.

B. Dates and provisional agenda for the second session of 2024 of the Executive Board

70. The Executive Board decided that the second session of 2024 would be held for a duration of three days from 4 to 6 December 2024 and also decided on the provisional agenda for that session as adopted in part (c), on the dates and provisional agenda for the second session of 2024 of the Executive Board, of decision 2024/4, on the methods of work of the Executive Board and the workplan of the Executive Board for 2024. The decision is set out in document HSP/EB.2024/13.

XIV. Other matters

71. The following representatives of non-governmental organizations delivered statements: Boniface Kilivwa Agufa, Young Alert Foundation; Jane Anyango, Huairou Commission; Pablo Fernández Marmissolle-Daguerre, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability, and United Cities and Local Governments; and Thierno-Habib Hann, Shelter Afrique Development Bank.

XV. Closure of the session

- 72. The Acting Executive Director of UN-Habitat delivered a closing statement.
- 73. The Chair declared the session closed at 5.45 p.m. on Wednesday, 8 May 2024.