

## Annex

### **Decision OEWG-H/1: Terms of reference of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All established by the United Nations Habitat Assembly of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme**

*Recalling* paragraph 1 of UN-Habitat Assembly resolution 2/7 of 9 June 2023 on adequate housing for all, in which the Assembly decided to establish an open-ended intergovernmental expert working group to consider and make recommendations to the Assembly on the development and content of policies for accelerating progress towards the universal achievement of safe, sustainable, adequate and affordable housing,

*Recalling also* paragraph 4 of the same resolution, in which the UN-Habitat Assembly decided that the open-ended intergovernmental expert working group could adopt terms of reference with respect to its work and functions, particularly for matters not addressed by the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly, which are to apply, mutatis mutandis, where the terms of reference are silent,

The Open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All decides to adopt its terms of reference, as set out in the annex to the present decision.

### **Annex to decision OEWG-H/1**

### **Terms of reference of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All**

#### **A. Application of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly**

1. The rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the Intergovernmental Expert Working Group, except as otherwise provided for in these terms of reference.
2. These terms of reference specifically vary and supersede:
  - (a) Rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly on the election of a bureau;
  - (b) Rule 19 of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly on the functions of a bureau;
  - (c) Rule 20 of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly on the terms of office of a bureau.

#### **B. Officers**

3. During the final meeting of each of its sessions, the Intergovernmental Expert Working Group shall elect two co-chairs on a rotational basis from different regional groups.
4. The Co-Chairs shall begin their terms of office at the closure of the session at which they are elected and shall remain in office until the closure of the next session at which an election for co-chairs is concluded.
5. If one Co-Chair cannot preside over a session or any part thereof, the other Co-Chair shall preside over the proceedings.
6. If a Member State resigns from the office of Co-Chair, another Member State from the same region shall be designated by the region to fill the vacancy.

**C. Duration of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All**

7. The Open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All shall not hold more than six regular sessions, including the first session.

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