



## 24<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Assembly Geneva, 14 October, 2020

### DECISIONS

#### Decision 1

##### Participation of delegates in the 24th Session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

*Guided by* the Constitution and the Internal Regulations of the ICDO,

*Bearing in mind* technical and logistical challenges posed by the coronavirus pandemic,

1. **Decides**, on an exceptional basis, to allow representatives of Member States subject to proper accreditation to deliver their statements, to vote and to exercise other functions as delegates remotely by means of videoconference.

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#### Decision 2

**Item 2. Designation of the Credentials Verification Committee**

**Item 3. Report of the Credentials Verification Committee**

**According to Articles 10 and 11** of the Internal Regulations, the General Assembly established the Credentials Verification Committee comprising one representative from each of the following countries:

1. Cameroon,
2. Cote d'Ivoire.



Ms. Saltanat Tashmatova, Director of International Cooperation (ICDO), was appointed Rapporteur.

The General Assembly considered the Credentials Verification Committee's report confirming that the mandates of all the delegates present online and offline were valid.

As stated, the General Assembly unanimously **adopted** the Credentials Verification Committee's report. The quorum and right to vote requirements set out in Articles **15 and 16 of the Constitution** were fulfilled.

Number of Member States: **59**

Number of Member States present: **56**

Number Member States absent: **3**

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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### Decision 3

#### Adoption of the Agenda

#### Item 4. Adoption of the Agenda

The General Assembly adopted unanimously the draft Agenda<sup>1</sup> as presented by its President:

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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### Decision 4

#### Election of Officers

#### Item 4. Election of the President and of the Vice-President of the General Assembly

The General Assembly

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<sup>1</sup> Annex 1



Elected Burkina Faso, represented by Colonel-Major Lazare Yago, as President, for the term of 2020-2022.

Elected Nicaragua, represented by Brigadier-General Rogelio Enrique Flores Ortiz, as Vice-President for the term of 2020-2022.

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## Decision 5

### Election of members of the Executive Council

#### Item 6 Election of members of the Executive Council

The General Assembly,

*Acting* in accordance with the Article 14 (b) and Article 18 of the Constitution,

1. **Decided** to increase the number of the Members of the Executive Council to twenty-five;
2. **Elected** the following Member States for a four-year mandate (2020-2024):  
Algeria,  
Bahrain,  
China,  
Egypt,  
Jordan,  
Kuwait,  
Mauritania,  
Niger,  
Pakistan,  
Qatar,  
Saudi Arabia,  
Tunisia,  
United Arab Emirates.



All these States are called upon to designate a representative to the Executive Council.  
The composition of the next Executive Council will be as follows (25 members):

Algeria (2024)	Egypt (2024)	Pakistan (2024)
Azerbaijan (2022)	Georgia (2022)	Qatar (2024)
Bahrain (2024)	Jordan (2024)	Russian Federation (2022)
Benin (2022)	Kazakhstan (2022)	Saudi Arabia (2024)
Burkina Faso (2022)	Kuwait (2024)	Senegal (2022)
Cameroon (2022)	Kyrgyzstan (2022)	Tunisia (2024)
China (2024)	Lebanon (2022)	United Arab Emirates (2024)
Congo (2022)	Mauritania (2024)	
Côte d'Ivoire (2022)	Niger (2024)	

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## Decision 5

### New Member States and New Observers

#### Item 7 New Member States and new Observers

The General Assembly

1. Welcomes the admission of **the Republic of Nicaragua** and **the Republic of Serbia** as Members;
2. Calls upon Member States to cooperate fruitfully with the new members.

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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## Decision 6

### Status of Observer States

#### Item 7 Status of Observer States



The General Assembly

1. **Confirms**, according to Article 2, para. 2 of the Internal Regulations, the Observer status for a two-year period of the following States: Belarus, Chile, Comoros, France, Indonesia, Malta, Mauritius, Monaco, Portugal, Rwanda, Slovakia, Switzerland, South Africa, Ukraine, Uzbekistan and Zimbabwe.

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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## Resolution I

### Report of the Acting Secretary-General on the Activities of the Organization Since the 22<sup>nd</sup> Session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

*Having heard* the Acting Secretary-General's report on the activities of the Organization since the 22<sup>nd</sup> session of the General Assembly,

*Having considered* the report on the activities of the Organization presented by the Acting Secretary-General to the 52<sup>nd</sup> session of the Executive Council,

1. **Takes note** of this report;
2. **Decides** to consider the report of the Executive Council on its activities between its 52<sup>nd</sup> and 53<sup>rd</sup> sessions at its 25<sup>th</sup> session.

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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## Resolution II

### Appointment of the Secretary General



The General Assembly,

*Acting in accordance with the Article 14 (c) and Article 26 of the Constitution,*

*Having examined the Decision 14 of the 53<sup>rd</sup> session of the Executive Council,*

1. **Approves** the results of the recorded vote that took place on 14 October, 2020;
2. **Appoints** Madame Mariatou Yap as the Secretary General of the International Civil Defence Organization for a period of six years (2020-2026);
3. **Approves** the contract of the Secretary General as annexed.<sup>2</sup>

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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## Resolution III

### Implementation of Decisions of the 52<sup>nd</sup> and 53<sup>rd</sup> Sessions of the Executive Council

The General Assembly,

*Having considered the decisions taken by the Executive Council at its 52<sup>nd</sup> and 53<sup>rd</sup> sessions,*

1. **Approves unanimously** these decisions with the amendments recorded,<sup>3</sup>
2. **Requests** the new Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General to implement the aforementioned decisions.

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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<sup>2</sup> Annex 2

<sup>3</sup> Decision 11, para 2, amended reads: **Requests** the Permanent Secretariat to provide a detailed report on the income and expenditure in financial year 2020 and a draft budget proposal for financial year 2021 at least one month before its 54<sup>th</sup> session to be held in 2021

Decision 12, para 1, amended reads: **Decides** to hold its 54<sup>th</sup> session in 2021;



## Resolution IV

### Financial and Administrative Matters

The General Assembly,

*Having considered* the audit report for 2019-2020 noted by the Executive Council,

*Having considered* the report of the Special independent audit mission presented by MAZARS SA,

1. **Expresses its concern** at the financial mismanagement in 2014-2020 that led, inter alia, to the decrease in financial reserves of the ICDO and deterioration of overall financial situation,
2. **Supports** the measures to be taken by the Executive Council in that regard,
3. **Requests** the new Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General to exert all efforts in order to ameliorate the financial situation of the Organization and increase in this regard its cooperation with the States, including through expanding and developing the network of its offices and representatives implementing humanitarian projects;

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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## Resolution V

### Firefighters and Rescuers Sports

The General Assembly,

*Welcoming* the information of the Russian Federation regarding the firefighters and rescuers sports,

1. **Commends** the activities of the International Sport Federation of Firefighters and Rescuers, that contribute significantly to the achievement of the ends established in the Article 2 of the ICDO Constitution;
2. **Recommends** ICDO Member States to join the International Sport Federation of Firefighters and Rescuers;



3. **Recommends also** ICDO Member States to establish relevant training facilities, in particular in Africa and in the Middle East;
4. **Encourages** ICDO Member States to train and prepare national sports teams of firefighters and rescuers so as to enable them to participate in national, regional and international competitions;
5. **Requests** the Permanent Secretariat and the ICDO Member States to facilitate the activities in the field of firefighters and rescuers sports, including the expansion of the Federation, raising awareness of those sports, and popularizing them internationally;
6. **Decides** to remain seized of the matter.

*Adopted without a vote on 14 October, 2020*

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## ANNEX 1

### **Draft Agenda**

1. Opening of the session
2. Appointment of the Credentials Verification Committee
3. Report of the Credentials Verification Committee
4. Adoption of the Agenda
5. Election of the President and Vice-President of the General Assembly
6. Election of members of the Executive Council
7. New Member and Observer States
8. The Report of the Secretary-General
  - 8.1 Report on the Organization's activities since the 23 rd session of the General Assembly (Doha, 2018)
  - 8.2 Admission to the status of Affiliated Member
9. Financial and Administrative Matters
  - 9.1 Approval of the Accounts for the financial years 2018 and 2019
  - 9.2 Programme budget for the years 2020 and 2021
  - 9.3 Contributions in arrears due by Member States
  - 9.4 Permanent Secretariat Staff
10. Questions submitted by the Secretary-General
11. Questions submitted by ICDO Members
  - 11.1 Firefighters sports (Russian Federation)
12. Approval of resolutions of the 52nd and 53rd sessions of the Executive Council
13. Nomination of the Secretary-General
14. Closure of the Session

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ANNEX 2 (contract of the Secretary General)