

Draft resolution
Enhancing United Nations Sanctions effectiveness

PP1 Affirming its primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, and recalling articles 39, 41, 49, and 50 of Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, (PP2 of 2354+ new)

PP2 Emphasizing that sanctions are an important tool under the Charter of the United Nations in the maintenance and restoration of international peace and security, (Based on PP12 of 2253)

PP3 Noting the positive role that the Security Council's imposition of targeted measures has played in responding to various conflicts and supporting world stabilization. (Based on PP8 S/2016/472)

PP4 Emphasizing that sanctions should be carefully designed and targeted in support of clear objectives. (P106 2005 World Summit Declaration A/RES/60/1)

PP5 Underlining the importance of giving due consideration in designing sanctions regimes to the feasibility of targeted sanctions and their implications, as well as the most appropriate mix of targeted measures and of clearly defining the scope of the sanctions, as well as the conditions and criteria for their easing or lifting. (Report of the Informal Working Group of the Security Council on General Issues of Sanctions para 3 a)

PP6 Underlining that sanctions should be implemented and monitored effectively with clear benchmarks and should be periodically reviewed, as appropriate, and remain for as limited a period as necessary to achieve their objectives and should be terminated once the objectives have been achieved. (P107 2005 World Summit Declaration A/RES/60/1)

PP7 Stressing that sanctions should be implemented in ways that balance effectiveness to achieve the desired results against the possible adverse consequences, including socioeconomic and humanitarian consequences, for populations and third States. (P106 2005 World Summit Declaration A/RES/60/1)

PP8 Stressing the necessity to support efforts through the United Nations to strengthen State capacity to implement sanctions provisions. (P110 2005 World Summit Declaration A/RES/60/1)

PP9 Emphasizing that United Nations sanctions should be designed and implemented in a manner that enables recognized national governments of targeted Member States to exercise their mandated duties, while targeting parties under United Nations sanctions regimes.

PP10 Reiterating that exemptions set forth in the relevant resolutions are integral to the process of implementation of the United Nations sanctions and should be fully utilized as a tool to enhance the effectiveness of their implementation and to mitigate unintended consequences of United Nations sanctions regime.

PP11 Acknowledging the key role that relevant stakeholders including neighboring States, as well as international and regional organizations, can play in effective implementation of sanctions regimes, and encouraging efforts to further enhance cooperation,

PP12 Noting the information provided by states regarding the measures taken to give full effect to the sanctions as laid down in the relevant Security Council resolutions, as well as the information concerning the special economic problems they have been confronted with as a result of the implementation of these measures (Based on PP7 A/Res/48/210)

PP13 Acknowledging the important role played by the Panels of Experts to monitor the implementation of sanctions regimes, while reiterating that their work should strictly conform to their mandates, as articulated in the relevant resolutions, and that any of its reports, or inquiries addressed to Member States, should rely on sufficient and credible evidence, and to fully engage the concerned Member States to which the inquiries are addressed.

PP14 Stressing the pressing need to enhance the design process of United Nations sanctions, by engaging relevant stakeholders, in particularly previously or currently targeted states, to use their perspectives on lessons learned from implementing sanctions, in order to increase the Security Council capacity to mitigate adverse effects and increase effectiveness of targeted sanctions.

1- Decides to conduct periodic reviews and evaluations of United Nations sanctions regimes, their political and socioeconomic impacts and their unintended effects on civilian populations, bearing in mind States obligations according to international law, and to make

adjustments, as appropriate. (Report of the Informal Working Group of the Security Council on General Issues of Sanctions para7a)

2- Decides to establish an ad-hoc informal working group of the Council on the general issue of sanctions that would draw lessons learned from the experiences of previous and current targeted states in order to support the Security Council's pursuit of more effective United Nations sanctions, in order to:

a- enhance designing of sanctions regimes including the conditions for the maintaining/lifting of sanctions.

b- standardize language and terminology in drafting relevant Security Council resolutions.

c- increase effectiveness of targeted sanctions and to mitigate adverse effects while designing sanctions regimes.

d- assure that the composition of Panel of Experts conforms to the principle of equitable geographic representation, and that the selection process is transparent.

e- alleviate the special economic problems of the affected states by the implementation of the Security Council sanctions measures.

(Based on OP5 A/RES/48/210)

f- ensure that fair and clear procedures exist for placing individuals and entities on sanctions lists and for removing them, as well as for granting humanitarian exemptions. (P108 and P109 2005 World Summit Declaration A/RES/60/1)

g- strengthen communications between the United Nations and relevant international and regional organizations regarding sanctions measures.

3- Requests the Secretary General to seek, on annual basis, information from relevant stakeholders, in particular previously or currently targeted states by sanctions regimes, on the perspectives, best practices in implementing United Nations sanctions regimes, as well as the socioeconomic impact of sanctions regimes. Further, requests the Secretary-General to report, within existing mandates and resources, and based on the information gathered, to the ad-hoc informal working group on the general issue of sanctions, on the secretariat efforts to enhance coherence within the United Nations system in support of the implementation of the United Nations sanctions.

