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## Report of the Main Committee

### Submitted by the Chair of the Main Committee

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1. The Main Committee held seven meetings during the period 8-11 December 2009.
2. The Committee elected the following Vice-Chairs: Mr. Eduardo Da Costa Farias (Brazil), Ms. Ljerka Brdovčak (Croatia), H.E. Ms. Linglingay Fonacier Lacanlale (Philippines), Ms. Seranade Gamil (Egypt).
3. Taking into account the mandate of the Industrial Development Board (decision IDB.36/Dec.12) concerning informal consultations on the question of unutilized balances of appropriations, H.E. Mr. Helmut Boeck (Austria) agreed to continue his open-ended consultations with a view to achieving consensus on that subject.
4. In accordance with the mandate given to it by the General Conference, the Committee considered agenda items 7 to 21 and 23. Draft decisions or resolutions on items 10 (a), 10 (b), 10 (c), 10 (e), 10 (f), 11 (a), 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19 and 23 were considered.
5. At its morning meeting on 8 December 2009, consensus was reached on nine draft decisions or resolutions on items 10 (a), 10 (b), 10 (c), 10 (e), 10 (f), 12 (two texts), 18 and 19. These are contained in document GC.13/L.2.
6. At its afternoon meeting on 8 December, the Committee reached consensus on a draft resolution on UNIDO activities in the field of energy and environment under agenda item 17. The following morning, at its third meeting, the Committee reached consensus on draft resolutions under item 11 (a) (regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean) and item 12 (Vienna Ministerial Declaration and Plan of Action of the Least Developed Countries). In its fourth meeting, on the afternoon of 9 December, consensus was reached on draft resolutions under

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item 12 (the crucial role of the productive sectors in supporting the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals) and on item 15 (Cooperation agreement with the United Nations Development Programme). All these draft resolutions are contained in document GC.12/L.2/Add.1.

7. At its morning meeting on 10 December, the Committee reached consensus on a draft resolution under item 10 (e) (financial regulations) and a draft decision under item 23 (date and place of the fourteenth session), both of which are contained in document GC.13/L.2/Add.2 and are recommended to plenary.

8. At its afternoon meeting on the same day, H.E. Mr. Boeck reported on the informal consultations concerning unutilized balances of appropriations for the biennium 2008-2009. Following discussions on the proposal, the Main Committee suspended its consideration of the item to take advantage of an offer from the President to lead a smaller discussion aimed at achieving consensus.

9. The Committee was apprised of the results of the discussions with the President and considerations continued on 11 December at its seventh meeting. At that meeting the Committee reached consensus on the proposal concerning unutilized balances of appropriations for the biennium 2008-2009. Consensus was also reached on the draft decision on programme and budgets, 2010-2011. Both texts, under item 14, are contained in document GC.12/L.2/Add.3.