

Statement by Ambassador Manjeev Singh Puri, Deputy Permanent Representative at  
the Meeting of the Adhoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly  
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Madam Co-Chair,

At the very beginning, let me express appreciation for the decision taken by you (Ambassador Sanja Štiglic of Slovenia) and Ambassador Jorge Argüello of Argentina (the other Co-chair) to discuss implementation of General Assembly resolutions on revitalization and the working methods of the General Assembly including operational and technical issues like voting and balloting.

Madam Co-Chair,

The world today is obviously not the one of 1945. The need for change is, therefore, evident given the vastly changed contemporary realities.

Since the very beginning, India has been of the firm belief that that the General Assembly will only be empowered if its position as the chief deliberative, policy-making and representative organ of the United Nations is respected in letter and in spirit.

With this background, let me proceed to share our views on the two issues at hand in a brief manner.

Madam Co-Chair,

The resolutions of the General Assembly in general and those on revitalization in particular have special significance both for the member states and the international community. Depending on the willingness of the member-states, such resolutions have the potential to act as the catalyst for bringing about transformative change in the international system. Of course, we can engage in stock-taking exercises on the reasons behind the delays in the implementation. But the overriding consideration should be the

need to continue the focus on those measures that restore and enhance the role and authority of the General Assembly.

Madam Co-Chair,

India is no stranger to the application of newer and modern technologies to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of electoral processes. In our considered view, the revitalization process of the General Assembly will benefit immensely if we are able to introduce those technologies that are efficient, and that ensure the security and confidentiality of the voting process.

Madam Co-Chair,

In conclusion, let me reiterate that our delegation attaches importance to the on-going processes of revitalization of the General Assembly, including the various aspects of strengthening of its procedures, working methods, documentation and also ensuring due follow up.

We will continue our active support and continue to be there to help you in these efforts.

Thank you.

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