



Resolution on the CoNGO Civil Society Summit on Substantive Issues

(A CoNGO Pre-Assembly virtual event held on October 25, 2021)

- A. The 27th *Co*NGO General Assembly welcomes the holding of the *Co*NGO Civil Society Summit and expresses appreciation to the President and Board for this initiative.
- B. Under the title "Shaping the Future: The UN We Need *for* the World We Want" the Summit brought together hundreds of civil society and United Nations representatives for an in-depth overview of key world issues on which Civil Society Organizations and the UN need to deepen their interaction and cooperation. The Summit's keynote panel focused on "the future in the present tense" while the thematic panels focused on Human dignity and human rights; Sustainable development and humanitarian action; Peace and threats to security of people and the planet; Social justice, including migration, racism and health; Gender justice, youth and intergenerational solidarity; and UN-NGO relations enhancing multilateralism, ensuring access, protecting civic space and discourse.
- C. The Summit also took into account the inspiring words and proposals of the UN Secretary General in his document "Our Common Agenda", as well as the policy texts and statement that *C*oNGO and many of its Members have issued in the recent past to highlight what needs to be done to move towards the world we want. The Summit Synthesis Report sets out main Summit observations and common positions, and the Assembly endorses that Report as a basis for follow-up and action in the coming years.
- D. The Assembly is greatly impressed by the wealth of ideas and outlooks advanced in the Summit Panels which also form the bedrock for follow-up and action by *Co*NGO as such, by its Substantive Committees, by its NGO Members, and by the wider civil society. Enhanced and deeper relationships between civil society and

CoNGO INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT

CoNGO New York | Office of the President, 777 UN Plaza, Suite 7C, New York, New York 10017 | T: +1 212 973 1701 | E: president@ngocongo.org CoNGO Geneva | PostBox 50 | 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland | T: +41 22 301 1000 | F: +41 22 301 2000 | E: firstvp@ngocongo.org CoNGO Vienna | c/o Dr. Martina Gredler, Obere Donaustrasse 43/1/15 A-1020 Vienna, Austria | E: <u>svp@ngocongo.org</u>

the United Nations System are central to achieving The World We Want. *Co*NGO's historic mission and unparalleled experience in relating to the UN System requires ever more initiative and commitment towards these ends.

E. The Assembly accordingly charges the incoming Board to give major attention during its term of office (2021-2025) to further deliberations and actions that will bring to fruition the proposals and aspirations expressed throughout the Summit, notably in the several Panels. The Assembly requests the Board to submit a follow-up report to the 28th *Co*NGO General Assembly.

Appendix 2B to the minutes of the 27th CoNGO General Assembly.

Approved on November 30, 2021.

CoNGO INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT

CoNGO New York | Office of the President, 777 UN Plaza, Suite 7C, New York, New York 10017 | T: +1 212 973 1701 | E: president@ngocongo.org CoNGO Geneva | PostBox 50 | 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland | T: +41 22 301 1000 | F: +41 22 301 2000 | E: firstvp@ngocongo.org CoNGO Vienna | c/o Dr. Martina Gredler, Obere Donaustrasse 43/1/15 A-1020 Vienna, Austria | E: <u>svp@ngocongo.org</u>