

**Statement by the President at the Ad-Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the
Work of the General Assembly
New York – March 3, 2015**

Co-Chairs of the Ad-Hoc Working Group on GA Revitalization,

Excellencies,

Distinguished delegates,

I am pleased to join you today for this important meeting. Given the General Assembly's central role as the chief deliberative, policymaking and representative organ of the United Nation, the efforts of this Ad-Hoc Working Group are of critical importance.

The revitalization of the work of the General Assembly is an integral part of the broader efforts aimed at strengthening the entire Organization. Your deliberations will provide valuable contributions to those efforts and should aim at ensuring the efficiency and effectiveness of the Assembly.

Since the start of the 69th session, I have made it a priority to engage regularly and exchange views with the Presidents of the other principal organs of the United Nations; including, the Security Council and the Economic and Social Council

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Ensuring the implementation of its resolutions, including those related to revitalization is critical for enhancing the role and authority of the General Assembly. In this regard, I wish to stress the

General Assembly and its main committees, including the Fifth Committee – which concluded its work on 29th December last year. As I said then, and I wish to reiterate today, the recurring

process.

The experience of the recent election of judges to the International Court of Justice is another

deadlocks can be handled better.

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In light of this, I would like to underscore the importance of ensuring that the Office of the President of the General Assembly has adequate and predictable resources from the regular budget to enable future presidencies deliver on their responsibilities. I thank all Member States who have made contributions to the Trust Fund and those who seconded staff to my Office. I look forward to the report of the Group so that we can enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the General Assembly.

I thank you for your kind attention.