Resolution adopted by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

75/1. Implementation of the outcome of the Euro-Asian Regional Midterm Review of the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014–2024

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 69/137 of 12 December 2014, by which the Assembly endorsed the Vienna Declaration and the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014–2024,¹ and Assembly resolution 72/232 of 20 December 2017, in which it decided to convene a comprehensive high-level midterm review on the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action for the Decade 2014–2024,

Reaffirming the overarching goal of the Vienna Programme of Action of addressing the special development needs and challenges of landlocked developing countries arising from their landlockedness, remoteness and geographical constraints in a more coherent manner and thus contributing to an enhanced rate of sustainable and inclusive growth, which can contribute to the eradication of poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty,

Acknowledging the importance of promoting collaboration between landlocked developing countries and transit countries on the basis of common interest, and noting that collaboration efforts should be supported by an enabling international economic environment, taking into account different national realities, capacities and levels of development and respecting national priorities, while remaining consistent with international law and commitments,

1. Notes the convening of the Euro-Asian Regional Midterm Review of the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014–2024,² held in Bangkok on 11 and 12 February 2019;

2. Also notes the intention of the Executive Secretary to transmit the outcome of the Euro-Asian Regional Midterm Review of the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014–2024,³ to the General Assembly.

¹ Annexes I and II.
² ESCAP/75/33, annex.
³ ESCAP/RES/75/B.1
Programme of Action as an input of the Asia-Pacific region to the comprehensive high-level midterm review on the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action, which will be held in New York in December 2019;

3. Requests the Executive Secretary:

(a) To continue to provide capacity-building assistance to member States towards the smooth implementation of the six priorities of the Vienna Programme of Action;

(b) To report to the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its seventy-seventh session on progress in the implementation of the present resolution.

5th plenary meeting
31 May 2019