1.0 BACKGROUND

1.1 Welcoming actions by the Inter-Parliamentary Union ('IPU') to pursue a more systematic engagement with the United Nations, the General Assembly, through a consensus resolution, encouraged both parties to work closely in various fields, in particular, peace and security, economic and social development, international law, and human rights and gender issues.

1.2 Speakers of Parliament from around the world have a unique opportunity to launch a new era of political leadership when they meet for a conference at UN Headquarters in New York. About 140 parliamentary leaders from 138 countries taking part in the Fourth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament (31 August – 2 September) will examine ways to effectively tackle global challenges to peace and democracy.

1.3 The conference is expected to place particular emphasis on achieving 17 Sustainable Development Goals ('SDGs') due to be adopted at a UN Summit in September. Acknowledged in the outcome document on the SDGs, parliaments' role in translating the goals into concrete action through passing legislation, making budget allocations and holding governments accountable to the people will be critical. The Conference, organized by IPU every five years and supported by the UN, will adopt a declaration which will feed into the SDGs Summit.

1.4 The Declaration, Report of the General Debate, Programme and List of Participants are attached as Annexure 1, Annexure 2, Annexure 3 and Annexure 4 respectively.

2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 The Fourth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament was organised by the Inter-Parliamentary Union ('IPU') and was held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from the 31st of August to the 2nd of September, 2015.

2.2 The Speaker of the Fijian Parliament, Hon. Dr. Jiko Luveni was invited to be part of the Conference and the Conference centred around a General Debate on the overall
theme of *Placing democracy at the service of peace and sustainable development: Building the world the people want*. It also included two panel discussions, one on parliamentary oversight and another on translating the Sustainable Development Goals (‘SDGs’) into action.

2.3 There are three strategic directions that chart a path for the IPU over the next five years towards the fulfilment of its vision. The strategic directions are inferred from the mission statement. They give priority to three areas of work: democracy and parliaments, international involvement of parliaments and the IPU as an instrument of parliamentary cooperation. The three strategic directions are interrelated and mutually reinforcing. Parliamentary cooperation is at the centre. It underpins all of the IPU’s work.

The three strategic directions are –

- better Parliaments, stronger democracies;
- more international involvement of parliaments; and
- the IPU as a more effective instrument of parliamentary cooperation.

3.0 PLENARY SITTING I – MAINSTREAMING GENDER EQUALITY INTO THE WORK OF PARLIAMENTS

3.1 The Declaration of the Third World Conference of Speakers of Parliament in 2010 reaffirmed the need to ensure equal rights and opportunities for men and women, thus promoting a genuine partnership between them in all spheres. It committed to working to achieve a world average of 30% of women in parliaments by 2015. Throughout the preparatory process for the Fourth World Conference of Speakers, due attention has been paid to mainstreaming gender equality into all aspects relating to the organisation, as well as content and outputs of the Conference. The current paper aims to map progress made in achieving gender equality in politics since the 2010 Speakers’ Conference, highlighting remaining challenges and opportunities.

3.2 Gender equality is at the heart of democratic processes. Very early on, the IPU highlighted the direct link between democracy and the balanced participation of men and women in politics, in particular in parliament. The IPU has consistently championed the need for democracy to include half of the world’s population and respond to the needs of both men and women. Only then can democracy be considered truly representative and sustainable.

3.3 The advancement of gender equality is one of the key objectives set out in the IPU’s Strategy for 2012-2017. Through this Strategy, the Organisation demonstrates its commitment to achieving the equal participation of men and women in politics and upholding respect for women’s rights and gender equality. In particular, the IPU aims to –

- Increase the number of women in parliament worldwide;
- Support and enhance women parliamentarians’ contribution to the work of parliament; and
- Strengthen parliament’s capacity to mainstream gender equality into its work and defend women’s rights issues.

3.4 The achievement of gender equality requires action on two fronts: (1) addressing discrimination against women and supporting women’s empowerment; and (2) ensuring that the objective of gender equality is taken into account in a cross-cutting and systematic way. The Fourth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament is invited to address the question of equality in politics and to mainstream the gender equality objective throughout its proceedings and results.

3.5 Whilst progress has been achieved with respect to women representation in parliaments, the 30% target still has not been met. Parliaments need to consider all opportunities to pursue progress and meet the average global target of 30% of women members in parliament by 2020.

3.6 More so, Parliaments need to embark on reform and become gender-sensitive institutions that respect and deliver on gender equality. In 2012, the IPU adopted a
Plan of Action for Gender-sensitive Parliaments (http://www.ipu.org/pdf/publications/action-gender-e.pdf). According to the Plan, a gender-sensitive parliament is one that –

1. Promotes and achieves equality in numbers of women and men across all of its bodies and internal structures.
2. Develops a gender equality policy framework suited to its own national parliamentary context.
3. Mainstreams gender equality throughout all of its work.
4. Fosters an internal culture that respects women’s rights, promotes gender equality and responds to the needs and realities of MPs – men and women – to balance work and family responsibilities.
5. Acknowledges and builds on the contribution made by its men members who pursue and advocate for gender equality.
6. Encourages political parties to take a proactive role in the promotion and achievement of gender equality.
7. Equips its parliamentary staff with the capacity and resources to promote gender equality, actively encourages the recruitment and retention of women to senior positions, and ensures that gender equality is mainstreamed throughout the work of the parliamentary administration.

4.0 PLENARY SITTING II – CHALLENGES FACING PARLIAMENTS TODAY

4.1 There is today a broad consensus that parliaments are necessary: virtually every State has one, in one form or another. It is a telling sign that when a country experiences a military coup d’état, parliament is usually one of the first State institutions to be suspended, because its deliberative role makes it an obstacle to the untrammeled exercise of power.

2 http://www.ipu.org/splz-e/speakers15/rpt3.pdf
4.2 Parliament is the institution that represents the people's voice in government. It is the cornerstone of democracy. The functions that parliaments fulfill, notably law-making, oversight and representation, are fundamental to the legitimacy of government. If parliaments did not exist, they would need to be invented.

4.3 The paradox is that while parliaments remain a symbol of hope and the belief that people can have a voice in decision-making, they continue to face many challenges, in long-established as in more recent democracies.

4.4 Some of the challenges which are considered relevant to parliaments generally are as follows –

- Public skepticism – it is no secret that citizens do not hold politicians in high esteem. Survey data everywhere suggest that public confidence in the authority of parliament is low and falling;

- Institutional capacity and parliamentary reform – linked to the theme of executive domination is the notion of institutional capacity – the people, skills and resources parliaments need to carry out their work effectively. The human and financial resources available to the executive exceed those of parliament by many orders of magnitude. The executive also has significantly better access to information than parliament, and can largely control the quantity and timing of information made available to parliament;

- A culture of democracy – as an ideal, democracy requires that members of society treat each other, and be treated, as equals. Underlying democracy is acceptance and respect of the other. Democratic life entails the right to and respect for differing views as well as dialogue as a solution to conflict. Political tolerance is thus a vital element of democratic culture. It is the responsibility of all citizens, including political leaders, to practice political tolerance in their words and actions. Intolerance represents a threat to democracy since it discriminates against and may even silence certain parts of the population. Developing a culture of tolerance, however, takes time, and such ingredients
as freedom of expression, civic education and pluralistic media reflecting
diverse and critical points of view.

5.0 PLENARY SITTING III – PARLIAMENTARY OVERSIGHT: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

5.1 This plenary sitting allowed participants to exchange experiences, drawing on their
own knowledge of oversight in their individual systems. On the role of the Speaker of
Parliament in oversight, it was noted that in the United Kingdom the Speaker was a
"referee" whose role was to ensure a level playing field for all parties and members.
The Speaker has powers to shape what is discussed by controlling access to the floor
and by ruling on member requests to put urgent questions to ministers or to suspend
regular business for urgent considerations. Similarly, in Kenya, the Speaker grants
members permission to make personal statements, brings public petitions to the
House, and decides on requests for emergency debates.

5.2 It is the right, role and responsibility of parliament to hold government to account.
However, parliament’s oversight role varies from country to country. Differences in
political systems also account for the varying oversight powers and arrangements.

5.3 There are many challenges to effective oversight and as highlighted in the plenary
sitting, some of these are –

- The poor image of parliament in the public eye – the lack of public confidence
can undermine parliament’s legitimacy to carry out its basic functions. Many
parliaments are using methods such as codes of conduct for members that are
intended to enhance public confidence;
- A shortage of time and limited staff support are common issues, as oversight
of the effectiveness and efficiency of complex budgetary and policy matters
requires expertise that is often unavailable to parliament; and

3 http://www.ipu.org/splz-e/speakers15/panel1complete.pdf
• The frequent gap between the existence of parliament’s oversight powers and their use and effectiveness in practice.

5.4 It is interesting to note that efforts are being made to improve the reputation of parliaments by removing them from decisions that directly benefit members. For instance, Members’ salaries and benefits in the United Kingdom are set by an independent commission, and Kenya has adopted a similar mechanism. Many of the participants at this sitting also expressed an interest in such practice.

5.5 The IPU was invited to develop benchmarks for effective parliamentary oversight. A number of participants supported the proposal, arguing that while all parliaments have their own systems, the existence of a set of neutral benchmarks would allow parliaments to measure themselves against international good practice.

6.0 PLENARY SITTING IV — TRANSLATING THE SDGs INTO ACTION

6.1 There were a number of salient points that emerged from this plenary sitting. National ownership is key to the implementation of the SDGs. It is a process that must involve all sectors of society at all levels, from local to national. In its deepest sense, national ownership comes from the people, not just from the institution of government. The extent to which people understand and believe in the SDGs will be key to national ownership.

6.2 It is important for people to see the SDGs as their own, and not as an agenda handed down to them from the government or the United Nations. Parliaments should not attempt “to teach” the SDGs to the people but rather help translate the language of the SDGs into people’s daily concerns. In their interaction with the people, members of parliament should focus more on the principles and ideals that are embedded in the SDGs, all of which were designed from the start to be “people-centred”.

4 http://www.ipu.org/splz-e/speakers15/panel2complete.pdf
6.3 Parliaments have a key role to play in monitoring progress on the SDGs. Reliable data is critical to monitoring, particularly when it comes directly from the people. Generally, the public do not think of success in terms of percentages or other technical measurements. Their monitoring of the SDGs tends to be based on first-hand impressions of whether public services are improving, job opportunities are expanding, the environment is healthier, to name a few.

6.4 Parliaments should ensure that monitoring of progress captures both the quantitative and qualitative aspects. For example, more teachers do not necessarily lead to better education if the teachers are not well trained. What matters in implementation, as far as people are concerned, is the actual impact of public policy on their lives.

6.5 There are different ways for parliaments to mainstream the SDGs in their work. Constituting a dedicated committee or advisory council for the SDGs may support policy coherence between portfolio committees. Still, no single committee should be responsible for the entire SDGs framework. Each portfolio committee must be in the lead in advancing the one or two goals that may come under its purview.

6.6 Ultimately, what matters most to advancing the SDGs is that each goal is championed by a number of MPs. Parliaments can also institute a regular debate of the plenary to review progress on the basis of reports provided. The budget process which is also common to all parliaments, provides another important opportunity for a comprehensive assessment of the SDGs.

7.0 PLENARY SITTING VI – ADOPTION OF THE DECLARATION

7.1 Plenary sitting V continued with the discussions on the challenges and opportunities of Parliamentary oversight and translating the SDGs into action.

7.2 Plenary sitting V focused on the final aspect of the Conference which was the Adoption of the Declaration.
7.3 Many Speakers applauded the final Declaration of the Conference – adopted by acclamation – as a document that would provide substantive policy guidance to parliaments and the IPU for the years to come.

7.4 It was agreed that to live in a world of peace, democracy, prosperity and happiness was the legitimate desire of each and every person on the planet. To translate such aspiration into reality, members of parliaments had to fulfil their responsibility as the highest representatives of the people. Parliamentary leaders were confident that the Conference Declaration would reflect the commitment of parliaments and parliamentarians to place democracy at the service of peace and sustainable development, and help build the world the people want.
8.0 SUMMARY OF ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

8.1 Challenges faced by women MPs
Women MPs face new challenges and therefore targeted support is crucial to enhance their capacity and influence. Mechanisms and structures that facilitate solidarity and mentorship between women are powerful instruments of change and should be supported.

8.2 Critical to the success of the SDGs
As the institution which is constitutionally mandated to hold government to account, to enact legislation and ensure their application, to appropriate resources through the budgetary process to meet goals, parliaments have a unique responsibility and role. It would thus not be an understatement to say that parliaments will be critical to the success of the SDGs.

8.3 Commitment to act
The 17 SDGs that form the basis of the sustainable development agenda are people-centred and planet-sensitive. They provide a plan of action for ending poverty and hunger, and a roadmap for building a life of dignity for all. They promise to “leave no one behind.” With this in mind, Speakers, Parliamentarians and Parliaments are urged to commit to concerted action, lead the drive for change and to put people at the heart of their efforts and contributions to its implementation will be equally critical in ensuring that the agenda is translated from the global to the national.

9.0 RECOMMENDATION
9.1 Parliament is invited to note the content of the report and annexures.

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ANNEXURE 1
Declaration

Placing democracy at the service of peace and sustainable development: Building the world the people want

(1) We live in extraordinary times. We need equally extraordinary efforts to build a world where every man, woman and child is safe from war and conflict, free from poverty and hunger, where they are able to meet their needs and realize their human potential while preserving our planet for future generations, and where their rights, freedoms and dignity are fully respected.

(2) Parliament is the central institution of democracy through which the will of the people is expressed. We, the Speakers of the world’s parliaments, have convened at the United Nations in New York to give voice to their concerns and demonstrate our resolve to play our part in meeting the global challenges before us.

(3) As we adopt this Declaration we are mindful of the unique responsibilities and constitutional mandates of our parliaments to make the laws that implement international agreements and to hold governments and international institutions to account for their full realization. Cognizant of our diverse traditions and unique parliamentary histories and practices, it is our ambition to provide a concrete democratic dimension to collective efforts aimed at creating a better world.

Our world today

(4) In spite of progress in the areas of democracy, peace and development, we continue to live in an unstable world. War and conflict, often characterized by extreme brutality, are a daily reality in many places. Millions of people, primarily women and children die, are injured and displaced or forced to flee in dramatic conditions. In some regions of the world, we still witness democratic backsliding.

(5) Peace and security are prerequisites for democracy and sustainable development. We call for much greater efforts to be deployed in solving conflicts through political dialogue and negotiations, with full respect for international law and by addressing the root causes of the conflict. We offer to place more emphasis on parliamentary diplomacy, which has demonstrated its ability to provide impetus to efforts aimed at resolving differences and conflicts.

(6) We witness horrendous terrorist acts in every part of the globe. New terrorist groups are emerging with substantial resources at their disposal. Unfortunately, many of these terrorist acts are perpetrated by fundamentalist groups purporting to act in the name of religion. We condemn all forms and manifestations of terrorism, irrespective of their perpetrators and motives, as well as radicalization, violent extremism and their means of financing.
(7) Our parliaments will do their utmost to enhance effective cooperation and support implementation of all relevant UN resolutions and international conventions and agreements to combat terrorism and contribute to the adoption of a coherent security policy at the international level. We pay tribute to the innocent victims of barbaric terrorist acts throughout the world and express our solidarity with them.

(8) Much more needs to be done and can be done to prevent and reduce the risk of violence. We call for greater efforts to achieve a nuclear weapons free world. We want to see a real reduction in the proliferation of all weapons. We call for urgent action, including robust legislation, to tackle new security threats and to combat organized crime linked to human trafficking, drugs and the illegal arms trade, kidnappings and extortion, and associated money laundering and corruption.

(9) Millions of women and girls in every region of the world are subjected to all forms of violence, including physical, sexual and domestic violence, every day. We call on all countries to prioritize the elimination of all forms of gender-based violence now. There is an equally urgent need to put an end to widespread hatred and discrimination in all forms. We urge all countries to foster intercultural dialogue and to focus on promoting and tolerant and inclusive societies where people are respectful of each other’s culture, religion and traditions. This should not run counter to efforts aimed at combating gender-based discrimination.

(10) Migration, whether forced or voluntary, is a fixture of today’s world. People can and will move to other places in search of a better life. When they are forced to do so because their life is in danger, they are entitled to expect that the international community has an obligation to provide support. We are appalled at the countless human tragedies unfolding as people flee wars, conflict, natural and human disasters. We call on all States to protect refugees, internally displaced persons and migrants and to help build stable and prosperous societies in their countries of origin. In this context, it is important to work together to curb human smuggling and trafficking, as well as to strengthen cooperation to address the root causes of migration.

(11) Despite global advances in technology, health, knowledge and material wealth, longstanding economic and social disparities are increasing. There are vast inequalities in terms of income and living conditions in the world and billions of people are living in poverty, which erodes the social contract that is essential for democratic life and human progress everywhere. We are witnessing a steady degradation of our environment and climate change is today a reality. We urge our countries to reach agreements that take fully into account the Rio principles, including the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities.

(12) These agreements should ensure a shared prosperity while protecting our environment and effectively addressing climate change. They should focus on both adaptation and mitigation and be coupled with sufficient resources for effective implementation. Our parliaments stand ready to support the implementation of these agreements, as we do with respect to the commitments on disaster risk reduction and promoting a culture of prevention and risk resilience.

(13) The Internet is strongly influencing our world, spurring innovation and communication within and between countries. It is also a vital tool to foster citizens’ participation in the democratic process. Cooperation between all stakeholders - Internet users, the private sector, civil society, the technological community, governments and international organizations - has helped foster an online environment in which all societies stand to benefit. However, too many people, especially women, still lack access to the Internet and more must be done to bridge the digital divide and ensure our citizens are able to harness the benefits of connectivity. We must also strive to ensure that rights are respected on the Internet and that it remains a space for debate and discussion, free from excessive commercialization and undue regulations aimed at limiting fundamental freedoms agreed internationally.

(14) In all of this, we need to rededicate ourselves to the rule of law. Our parliaments should assist in ensuring that the rule of law is upheld and all have equal access to justice. We call for greater commitment to international law and propose to pay particular attention to respect for human rights and international humanitarian law while supporting international justice mechanisms and efforts to end impunity for the perpetrators of the most serious crimes.
**Democracy**

(15) We reaffirm the principles of the *Universal Declaration on Democracy*. In this sense, our parliaments are sovereign and independent national institutions. They are marked by the history and cultural heritage of our countries and each one is different. Yet, they share the same ambition to ensure that the will of the people forms the basis of government. Participation in political life and public decision-making is an entitlement and is crucial to development. When people are left voiceless or excluded, their well-being is undermined and democracy is left wanting.

(16) We call for greater efforts to end all forms of discrimination against women and girls with a view to achieving their empowerment and making gender equality a reality. Development of our societies and economies hinges on the enjoyment, by women and men, girls and boys, of full and equal rights, responsibilities and opportunities. We must re dedicate ourselves to the full realization of gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls by 2030. We deplore the exorbitantly slow progress in securing a greater presence of women in parliament and commit to redoubling our efforts to reach, as a global average, the internationally agreed target of 30 per cent of women members in parliament by 2020.

(17) There is an apparent disconnect between the way we do politics and the way people live today. The connectivity and immediacy that characterize their lives seem far removed from national political processes. Young people in particular are calling for greater engagement, openness, transparency, accountability and effectiveness in politics. We must be ambitious and halt the tide of young people opting out of civil society and democratic institutions; we must better harness their energy and creativity in the service of communities and societies as a whole. We have seen how young people have been at the forefront of many pro-democracy movements.

(18) We pledge to do our utmost to make politics genuinely open to young people and to facilitate their election to parliament in greater numbers. We also pledge to address youth marginalization by engaging youth in politics and facilitating their access to education throughout their lifetime and to the job market. These may prove to be effective ways of also preventing them from turning to violence and conflict and from being recruited by terrorist groups.

(19) Minorities and indigenous peoples are the most vulnerable members of many of our societies and remain excluded from making decisions that affect their lives and the future of our countries. We affirm that they have an inalienable right to full and equal membership of each of our nations, which has to be translated into public policies that are sensitive to their situation, needs, and aspirations and accompanied by sufficient resources. We call for measures to be taken to ensure their effective participation at all levels of public life.

(20) We recognize the multiple challenges facing many of our parliaments today. We are concerned by public scepticism and a disconnect with politics, an unequal power relationship with the executive, difficulties in influencing decisions that are increasingly taken in international forums or outside government, and limited means at our disposal to increase institutional capacity in parliament. Supporting the rights to freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and association, we commit to working to tackle these challenges, respecting the role of traditional media, making greater use of social media and modern information and communication technologies (ICTs), and rendering our parliaments fit for purpose for the 21st century.

(21) We will do our utmost to bring parliament closer to the people and we renew our pledge to make our parliaments ever more representative, transparent, accessible, accountable and effective, enabling the diverse components of society to participate in politics. To this end, we reiterate the importance of free and fair elections held at regular intervals, on the basis of universal suffrage and secret ballot. We also reiterate the importance of creating and maintaining, in law and in practice, a safe and enabling environment for civil society. We recognize the progress that is being made by many parliaments towards democratization, as well as the setbacks experienced in several other countries, and we commit to continuing to assist each other in further promoting parliamentary democracy. We commend the recently adopted *Common Principles for Support to Parliaments* and recommend that all parliaments and relevant organizations endorse and be guided by them.
We encourage the constitutional and institutional reforms underway in countries in transition to democracy. We underscore the importance of providing political and economic support to these countries in order to ensure that democracy, good governance, respect for human rights and social justice take root in a sustainable manner. Supporting economic development is indispensable for fledgling democracies to succeed, including through the conversion of these countries’ debts into investments.

**Sustainable development**

(23) The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) have provided a welcome focus for global efforts to improve peoples’ lives. However, progress has been uneven between regions and countries and wide gaps remain. Some countries have reached many of the goals while others have for a variety of reasons fallen short of the targets. Many peoples’ lives have been saved and improved, data has been collected, techniques and tools developed and many important lessons learned. Today, the global community is poised to launch a post-2015 development agenda that is broader in scope and that builds on the experience of the MDGs, tackling both poverty eradication and sustainable development, and applied universally to all countries.

(24) We welcome the new 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development that has emerged with its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Poverty eradication is the overarching objective of this new agenda, alongside the promotion of economic, social and environmental development. These objectives can only be achieved by changing unsustainable patterns of consumption and production, promoting inclusive and sustainable economic growth, building resilient infrastructure, fostering innovation, protecting and better managing natural resources, as well as revitalizing the global partnership for sustainable development.

(25) We applaud the ambition of this agenda to be transformative and leave no-one behind, including the most disadvantaged and vulnerable. Indeed, to be successful, sustainable development has to place human beings at the centre of decisions. It has to aim at achieving their well-being with full respect for environmental limitations. It needs to be owned by the people and it requires their full participation. People are individuals endowed with rights and responsibilities towards each other and towards the environment. We must all invest in them as our most important resource.

(26) We welcome the goal and call for greater efforts to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls, as well as the goal to address inequalities. We applaud the inclusion of a goal calling for urgent action against climate change that also encompasses disaster risk reduction. We welcome the broad-based goal on the means of implementation - finance, trade, technology, capacity building and systemic reforms - that must be mobilized in support of the new agenda.

(27) We commend the inclusion of a goal to promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels. Good governance at all levels is an enabler of development and an objective in its own right for all countries. We commit to reach this goal in our countries and in our parliaments. In the process, parliaments will need to enhance their ability and capacity to ensure accountability for results, including in terms of promoting greater financial responsibility and transparency.

(28) While governments are finalizing the new agreements on sustainable development, financing for development, climate change and disaster risk reduction, we underscore the importance of achieving one harmonious global agenda. It is fundamental to the success of the endeavour. Without it we will not be able to achieve coherence and complementarity among the many actors who will be called upon to take part in the implementation process at the local, national and global levels or guarantee the most optimal use of available resources.

(29) We recognize the important responsibilities that are incumbent on parliaments to ensure implementation of the new SDGs. As Speakers, we are ready to do everything in our power to facilitate the consideration of relevant legislation and allocation of budgetary resources, and to hold governments accountable for the attainment of the goals. We will draw from a vast catalogue of actions to help build public awareness and national ownership, strengthen coherence within and between national and local administration and parliament, facilitate citizen involvement and evaluate and report on progress.
International cooperation

(30) We are convinced that the United Nations must remain the cornerstone of global cooperation and we take this opportunity to renew our solemn pledge in support of the Organization as it celebrates its 70th anniversary and the victory of the world over fascism and Nazism. The UN embodies the ardent hope of people around the world for peace and development. Its 70th anniversary therefore provides an important opportunity for the international community to reflect on its history, look ahead to the future and move forward, in order to turn the vision of the UN Charter into reality.

(31) We call on UN Member States to equip their Organization for the challenges of the 21st century. We commend the many reforms that have taken place over the past decade. Important challenges remain, however, that require urgent action. We remain concerned over the ability of the Security Council to better deliver on its primary responsibilities of maintaining international peace and security under the UN Charter. We believe that the effectiveness of the Security Council can only be improved through urgent reform to reflect contemporary global realities.

(32) Fifteen years ago, our First Speakers’ Conference took place on the eve of the Millennium Summit. On that occasion we presented our vision for providing a parliamentary dimension to international cooperation. We take pride in the considerable progress that has been achieved since then; clearly, there is today growing interaction between the United Nations and the world of parliaments.

(33) We remain convinced that parliaments can do more to help bridge the democracy gap in international relations and secure global democratic accountability for the common good. We reiterate the recommendations we formulated at our conferences in 2005 and 2010. We regard the post-2015 development agenda as a unique opportunity to enhance substantially the cooperation between parliaments and the United Nations. We encourage UN Member States to set out an ambitious vision for this cooperation in the final documents.

(34) We reiterate that our cooperation must be firmly rooted in the work we carry out in our national parliaments, much of which relates to ensuring accountability. Our parliaments must be more active in international affairs by contributing to and monitoring international negotiations, overseeing the enforcement of agreements that have been reached by governments and ensuring national compliance with international law. Similarly, parliaments must be more vigilant in scrutinizing the activities of international organizations and providing input into their deliberations.

(35) We take pride in our Organization - the Inter-Parliamentary Union. We reiterate that, as the world organization of parliaments, the IPU is the international body best suited to help build the relationship between parliaments and the United Nations. We have confidence in the IPU, which is playing this role increasingly. We recommend that its capacity be strengthened to cope with the substantial responsibilities that come with the post-2015 development agenda.

(36) We encourage the IPU and the United Nations to continue to expand their cooperation, particularly in implementing the agreed Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the post-2015 development agenda to be adopted in September 2015 and the Climate Change Agreement to be concluded in December 2015. These interlocking and mutually reinforcing processes, coupled with respective means of implementation, are critical for the future the people want. We express the hope that both organizations can conclude a new cooperation agreement that reflects the gains that have been made since our first Conference and provides a firm footing for our future work together.

(37) We remain optimistic about the road ahead. The negotiations to secure agreement on a new development agenda are ample proof of a shared global commitment to address today’s global challenges. Here is a unique opportunity for all of us to work together. We will support strongly in each of our countries the necessary action by all relevant authorities to establish mechanisms for tracking and monitoring progress and we call on the IPU to facilitate the achievement of this objective and ensure reporting.

(38) We, in our parliaments, will do our part by placing democracy at the service of peace and sustainable development for the world the people want.
ANNEXURE 2
Report of the General Debate

The Fourth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament centred around a General Debate on the overall theme of Placing democracy at the service of peace and sustainable development: Building the world the people want. It also included two panel discussions, one on parliamentary oversight and another on translating the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into action.

The General Debate featured over 150 statements by Speakers of Parliament and heads of regional and other parliamentary organizations. The IPU President, the UN Secretary-General, the President of the UN General Assembly and UNESCO’s Special Envoy for Peace and Reconciliation delivered opening remarks. The Administrator of UNDP and the Executive Director of UN Women also addressed the General Debate.

Speakers offered various perspectives on democracy, the role of parliaments, sustainable development, violence and terrorism, governance and other issues. This report seeks to capture the key messages and recommendations that emerged from the General Debate.

Democracy

Many delegates described the situation of democracy and development in their own country or region. Democracy had grown steadily year after year from the 1970s until the first half of the previous decade. In recent years, however, there had regrettably been stagnation and even regression. For a variety of reasons, many aspiring democratic regimes were in danger of foundering or had already done so. All too often, too much emphasis had been placed on holding elections and too little on building lasting democratic institutions, embracing respect for differences, promoting dialogue and seeking the peaceful resolution of conflicts. Furthermore, some democratically elected leaders had undermined democracy from within by using their newly-won authority to give themselves almost unlimited powers. Democracy must never be a game of winner-takes-all.

Well-established democracies had to do their utmost to support ongoing democratic development in nascent and struggling democracies. In particular, they must encourage fragile States to take leadership of their processes and to commit to the future of their citizens. That must not take the form of demanding complete compliance with standards imposed from outside regardless of countries’ traditions or capacity to implement them. Democracy is government by the people and for the people; it has to be something experienced in people’s everyday life. Democracy is a process that requires continuous care with respect for the circumstances and specificities of each society. Parliaments must review national constitutions to ensure that they were in line with modern society’s needs and with international standards. Electoral laws had to be reviewed as necessary to facilitate free participation in electoral processes and reflect the will of the people.
One essential component of democracy was the inclusion of civil society. In certain models of direct democracy, for example, civil society organizations or even simple groupings of individuals are entitled to make any topic the subject of a referendum. This leads to a distinct feeling of citizen ownership of the democracy so that people know that they are not just irrelevant bystanders in the process of government; they can help shape public policy and laws. Important, too, is the annual publication by some governments of their successes and failures, which parliament can debate, offer criticisms or suggestions and carry out audits.

Several Speakers described the advent or return of democracy in their countries after a period of authoritarian rule. This entailed restoring the principle of the separation of powers and (re-)establishment of respect for human rights and the rule of law. Often it would also involve training people to assume parliamentary responsibilities and the preparation of action plans for the future.

Democracy must be promoted by ensuring that it was participatory and inclusive, making a difference to the lives of vulnerable sections of society. In that context, it was encouraging that one of the SDGs sought to provide access to justice for all and to build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.

However, it could be said that there were certain governments that seemed to favour democracy for their own people only, supporting dictatorships and despotic regimes outside their borders. The practice of warmongering under the pretext of expanding democracy had resulted in attempts by some governments to enforce democracy in other countries with bombs and machine guns. Building democracy required patience and perseverance: without a strong foundation, the transition from an authoritarian regime to democracy had left a power vacuum that brought about unstable conditions in certain parts of the world.

Role of parliaments

In a modern society, the ultimate responsibility to protect democracy lay with parliament, which must lead the way in creating open and transparent societies founded on the rule of law. Parliament must ensure that appropriate structures were in place to prevent the abuse of power and its ensuing corruption. It must ensure that there was a clear division of power between the legislative, the executive and the judiciary.

In some countries, people were losing trust in the ability of the government to solve intractable problems, such as long-term unemployment or persistent violence. In some cases, people were also losing confidence in parliament’s ability to oversee the executive.

It was vitally important to create mechanisms that secured the integrity of parliamentarians and the parliaments to which they belonged. With parliament being fundamentally about debate, if those systems were perceived as not working well, democratic rights and freedoms would come under threat. Safeguarding the rights of the opposition meant safeguarding the principle of agreeing not to agree, and creating a platform for discussion within a peaceful framework. It was those conditions that created trust between the people and their elected governing institutions, ensuring the broad societal participation that was so crucial for vibrant democracies.

Heeding the choice of the people and meeting their expectations was the common responsibility of parliamentarians and parliamentarians of all countries. Some Speakers stressed their parliament’s readiness to work with those of other countries and international parliamentary organizations to make a more robust contribution to building a better world. Parliamentarians owed that to their constituents. In particular, parliamentarians had a duty to shoulder the heavy burden, working together to put the SDGs into practice, with a view to building the world that people want. Parliaments had a responsibility and a duty, too, to enact specific legislation and create an enabling environment to protect the most vulnerable and marginalized groups, recognizing the fundamental human rights and freedoms of all citizens, without distinction. Parliaments needed to provide opportunities for the debate and formulation of policies and enactment of legislation with a view to ensuring sustainable development.

The tasks of parliamentarians included promoting democratic reform in countries, ensuring a secure and just world, eradicating religious extremism, terrorism and violence, reinforcing law and governance, and promoting tolerance and intercultural/interfaith dialogue. Parliamentarians had a responsibility, too, to be constantly alert to the danger of compromising democracy in the pursuit of prosperity. That would be at least part of parliamentarians’ contribution to the implementation of the post-2015 sustainable development agenda.
They also had a role to play in ensuring gender equality. There could be no sustainable development without gender equality and the empowerment of women. Several Speakers described the progress of gender equality in their country, often with specific reference to the growing number of women in the national parliament. Various suggestions were made for improving the situation still further, such as reviewing national objectives and legal frameworks to ensure that they responded to the needs of both men and women; adopting affirmative measures; supporting women’s parliamentary caucuses; making parliamentary bodies gender-sensitive; and working to dismantle religious and cultural barriers to gender equality. Above all, parliamentarians had a duty to exercise their oversight power in order to hold governments to account for gender equality. They should also monitor the efforts of the government to craft legislation addressing violence against women: there could be no true equality between men and women without an end to gender-based violence.

A parliament’s strategic plan should include initiatives to support and encourage youth participation and make the institution more open and accessible to young people and youth organizations. These initiatives should encourage them to turn away from violence and in the process redress the growing disconnect between politics and the people, especially young people. Many of today’s youth were uncomfortable with decisions made on their behalf, in which they had little or no say, with policies and programmes imposed and promoted by leaders who were more concerned about capital accumulation than about capacity-building, profit rather than peoples’ empowerment, with corporate giants that grew richer while the poverty gap widened in the developing world. The holding of open days, school visits, invitations to attend committee hearings and plenary sessions, as well as the hosting of national Youth Parliaments, were positive ways to encourage youth re-engagement.

Parliaments also had an important role to play in international relations, not only in ratifying international agreements made by governments, but also in consolidating the legal order that protected development for democracy, and thereby in achieving the objective of peace and sustainable development.

Several Speakers stressed the important role that parliaments played in approving or rejecting military budgets, one noting that if even one tenth of the budget spent on occupying Iraq and Afghanistan had instead been dedicated to development and prosperity, there would likely no longer be insecurity and terrorism in those countries. After the end of the Cold War, the international community had expected a comprehensive peace but instead there had been eruptions of local and ethnic tensions and violence, with such new conflicts constantly increasing military expenditures. Parliaments had a duty to stand together to fight the threats facing the international community, countering them with dialogue and cooperation.

From the MDGs to the SDGs

Several Speakers described the achievements of their countries in the context of the MDGs. There had been both successes and failures. The present time provided an opportunity to draw from the lessons learned from the MDGs, by observing what had succeeded and what had not, and working out how to do better in the future. Despite their limitations, the MDGs had been successful in lifting hundreds of millions of people out of extreme poverty; they had reduced child and maternal mortality rates significantly and had increased the number of children going to school in developing regions. But the job was far from done. The SDGs would take over in leading the way towards a more united, human-rights-based, just and environmentally sustainable world.

Agreement on the SDGs was an ambitious starting point that the world undoubtedly needed. But the key to success in such a great endeavour would be to ensure unwavering commitment to the Goals throughout the process. It was in that area that parliaments could play a major role, in passing legislation, making the required budget allocations and holding governments to account. Parliamentarians were also key actors in shaping public opinion. Active, open and inclusive public discussion on the importance of the development agenda would help create the right climate for implementation. Indeed, that was a key element in any democratic process for the common good.

The world had changed dramatically since the adoption of the MDGs 15 years earlier. Countries were more connected than ever before, despite some claims that globalization benefited only the strong. It was true that the results of the MDGs had been largely uneven. Climate change heightened the risk of conflict among them, with its threat of water shortages, land loss and drought. The issue of refugees had become geographically ever-wider. National decisions had an international impact, which meant that fair and widely applicable sustainable development policies must be adopted.
A global common approach to sustainability demanded that developed countries, which bore the historical responsibility for climate change and ecological degradation, and had better financial and technological resources, must take practical steps to lead the process. The onus of global sustainability could not be placed on developing countries alone. Therefore, a strong global partnership was needed to support the efforts of developing countries in the spirit of the whole world as a global village and, like the interdependence within a village, all must share the responsibility according to individual capacity and capability.

As difficult as it might appear psychologically, in the long run countries had to be able to break free from a pure growth-based approach in measuring progress. The shift had to be towards more well-being and happiness for humankind as a whole. There would undoubtedly be a need for greater solidarity to end poverty and for innovative solutions to achieve sustainable management of the world's natural resources.

Parliamentarians were faced with many challenges in terms of their institutional effectiveness as representatives of the people. Over and above the SDGs and the post-2015 development agenda, the Conference theme drew its inspiration from the broad consensus that the world and its people were faced with myriad problems and challenges in their quest to live in peace, free from the scourges of war and conflict, violence in all its forms, extreme poverty and hunger, unemployment, disease, climate change, and the list continues.

Politicians should not underestimate their ability to positively influence society. Their appeal to the more affluent sectors of society to surrender certain privileges, such as subsidies on basic amenities like water or gas, could lead to a greater sense of responsibility-sharing and solidarity with the less affluent sectors. At the international level, genuine relations of cooperation and solidarity between the developed and the developing countries were of fundamental importance.

There was thus a need for a profound transformation in how the world operates. In particular, there would be challenges in translating the SDGs into enforceable laws, including identifying the necessary financial resources for their implementation, which was an area where parliamentarians had a duty to press the government to allocate sufficient funds. It would also take time to build national ownership of the SDGs by the engagement of parliamentarians with their constituents, and to tailor the global Goals to specific national circumstances, including the drawing up of national sustainable development plans. Those challenges at the same time would provide a roadmap for each country to follow. Guidance and assistance from the IPU would be welcome.

Speakers from a number of small island developing States (SIDS) expressed appreciation for the inclusion in the sustainable development agenda of their particular concerns, namely climate change, global warming, and the resultant sea-level rise. Some saw the risks of climate change as being as grave as the recent Ebola crisis, and called for the same level of urgent attention to the problem. All hoped for concrete and meaningful progress as the outcome of the climate change Conference in Paris at the end of the year.

Ultimately, people needed to strike a balance between need and greed. A world without poverty or hunger is safer, better and fairer. In sustainable development, humans and nature co-exist in productive harmony. The question must be asked whether the future was sustainable using the present development model. In many ways, modern technology owed an apology to ecology.

Speakers agreed that every country faced specific challenges on the way to achieving sustainable development, and might follow different approaches, visions, models and tools, in accordance with its national circumstances and priorities. Some suggested that no sovereign country should be subjected to external oversight mechanisms or benchmarks with regard to progress on these goals. Others, however, pointed to the need to establish a robust mechanism to monitor responsibility and accountability, together with efficient measurement of the progress made in achieving the objectives of the new agenda.

Peace and security were components of sustainable development, and it had to be recognized that one of the main threats to sustainable development was the rise of terrorism and extremism.
Violence and terrorism

In many parts of the world, armed force seemed to have become the instrument of solving disputes, which ran completely counter to sustainable development. There was a disconnect between the brutal reality on the ground and people’s lofty aspirations to bring about a world where peace reigns.

Some Speakers asserted that the terrorism perpetrated against their countries was being financed and encouraged, officially or unofficially, by the authorities of other countries, in order to topple the government or to achieve some other pernicious aim. However, such sponsors of remote-controlled terrorism were now realizing, too late, that they had unleashed a monster that could turn against them too. In other cases, such as the atrocities in Tunisia earlier in 2015, terrorists had deliberately targeted foreigners in order to undermine the economy and sow discord between the victims’ home countries and the country where the attack took place. Other Speakers saw the sanctions imposed on their country as a form of economic terrorism, which might in turn lead disaffected youth, disenchanted by big-power politics, to head down the path of violence and terrorism.

There could be no peace, development or democracy in a world where terrorism, war and chaos prevailed. Whenever wars were launched, wherever terrorism was rampant and chaos reigned, the people mourned their loss of the gains they had achieved over years and decades.

Terrorism could be effectively brought under control only by not repeating the mistakes of the past. In the context of the immediate present, there was a need for a clear statement that the enemy was terror, not Islam. Islamophobia was as abhorrent and dangerous as anti-Semitism or racism and must be suppressed by all legal means. Islam must be perceived, along with all other religions, cultures and civilizations, as a precious gift of humankind. Islamic leaders, however, did have a role to play in speaking out against all forms of violence perpetrated in the name of religion.

It was suggested that the United Nations might assist in the struggle against violence and terrorism by holding an international conference to consider those scourges in all aspects, including the root causes and financing of terrorism. It was also important for parliaments to share information and enhance cooperation with a view to combating terrorism.

Violence and war resulted in the chaos of refugees fleeing to safety. In turn, that led to a rise in human trafficking, deaths along the journey, and a growing problem in the destination countries of how to absorb such a human flood. The inflow of refugees and migrants to Europe was a reminder that we do not live in isolation, and that State borders and frontiers between continents cannot, and should not, prevent people from escaping violence and persecution. Numerous statements and reactions showed the need for a coordinated international response. At the same time, in practice, political will for greater international solidarity and more responsibility-sharing seemed to be dangerously lacking.

But the outcome would be disastrous if countries did not work together. Parliamentarians must show more initiative, they must lead by example. They must tell governments to stop defending their own narrow interests and show greater solidarity.

As both a partial cause and effect of the migrant crisis, there had been a dramatic rise of intolerance, hatred and extremism: grave dangers for democratic institutions and peaceful co-existence. As a counter-measure, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) had launched the No Hate Parliamentary Alliance. That initiative should be extended beyond the European continent with all parliaments joining a network — for instance, within the framework of the IPU — to create one large movement, linking up with civil society, religious bodies and others to say "No" to hate and intolerance.

Good governance at the national and international levels

While the inclusion in the SDGs of priority areas such as energy, climate change, food security, water and sanitation, gender equality, reproductive health and rights was welcome, many Speakers felt that in order to successfully improve all of those areas, good governance was the best tool at hand. It was noted that the current draft of the SDGs, especially Goal 16, contained strong references to governance. Good governance was both an enabler and a driver of development. Inclusive participation, together with good governance, would promote peace and sustainable development.
No country was immune from global challenges or could deal with them on its own. Countries should abandon zero-sum thinking, embrace a new approach of win-win cooperation, and together build a global community with a shared future. They should accommodate the interests of others while pursuing their own and promote the common development of all countries while seeking their own.

Countries, irrespective of their size, strength and wealth, were all equal members of the international community, called upon to abide by international law and universally recognized norms governing international relations, to respect each other’s sovereignty and territorial integrity, to refrain from interfering in each other’s internal affairs, to seek peaceful settlement of differences through dialogue and to uphold international equality and justice.

Many Speakers commented on the complementary roles of the IPU and the United Nations. The latter was seen as the cornerstone of multilateralism and global cooperation, and the IPU was playing an important role in terms of developing a parliamentary dimension to the work of the United Nations. A new agreement on cooperation between the two bodies was being prepared, and it was to be hoped that the UN-IPU partnership would be further enhanced and placed on a stronger footing. This partnership was particularly relevant in the context of implementation of the major international commitments of 2015: the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the post-2015 development agenda with its SDGs, and the Climate Change Agreement hoped for in December 2015. Those interlocking and mutually reinforcing processes, coupled with respective means of implementation, were critical for the future the people want.

Several Speakers also called for reform in the way that the Security Council operated, and more generally for greater accountability and transparency in the work of the United Nations.

**Declaration**

Many Speakers praised the final Declaration of the Conference – adopted by acclamation - as a document that would provide substantive policy guidance to parliaments and the IPU for the years to come.

It was agreed that to live in a world of peace, democracy, prosperity and happiness was the legitimate desire of each and every person on the planet. To translate such aspiration into reality, members of parliaments had to fulfill their responsibility as the highest representatives of the people. Parliamentary leaders were confident that the Conference Declaration would reflect the commitment of parliaments and parliamentarians to place democracy at the service of peace and sustainable development, and help build the world the people want.
Draft Programme

Monday, 31 August 2015

10.00-10.45 Opening ceremony in the presence of:
- Mr. Saber Chowdhury, IPU President
- Mr. Ban Ki-moon, United Nations Secretary-General
- Mr. Sam K. Kutesa, President of UN General Assembly

Keynote address by Mr. Forest Whitaker, artist, humanist
and UNESCO Special Envoy for Peace and Reconciliation

11.00-13.00 Plenary sitting I
Presentation of reports:
- Implementation of major recommendations of previous
Speakers' Conferences and the growing parliamentary
dimension to international cooperation
- Rapporteur: Ms. Rebecca Kadaga, Speaker of the
Parliament of Uganda

Mainstreaming gender equality into the work of parliaments

Co-Rapporteurs:
- Ms. Santi Bai Hanoomainjee, Speaker of the National Assembly
  of Mauritius
- Mr. Norbert Lammert, Speaker of the Bundestag,
  Germany

- General debate: Placing democracy at the service of
peace and sustainable development: Building the
world the people want

14.30 Group Photo (Speakers of Parliament only)

15.00-18.00 Plenary sitting II
Presentation of reports:
- Parliamentary involvement in the shaping and
implementation of the new Sustainable
Development Goals
- Rapporteur: Mr. Saber Chowdhury, President of the IPU

Challenges facing parliaments today
- Rapporteur: Mr. David Carter, Speaker of
the Parliament of New Zealand

Address by Ms. Helen Clark, Administrator of the
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

- Continuation of general debate

18.30 Cocktail reception hosted by the IPU President
Tuesday, 1 September 2015

10.00-13.00 Plenary sitting III
Address by Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka,
Executive Director of UN Women
- Continuation of general debate
Panel discussion: Parliamentary oversight:
Challenges and opportunities

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(level B)

15.00-18.00 Plenary sitting IV
- Continuation of general debate
Panel discussion: Translating the SDGs into action

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Conference Room 4
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Wednesday, 2 September 2015

10.00-13.00 Plenary sittings V and VI
- Continuation and conclusion of general debate
- Presentation of reports from the panel discussions
  - Parliamentary oversight: Challenges and opportunities
  - Translating the SDGs into action
- Adoption of the Declaration
- Remarks by the IPU President, Mr. Saber Chowdhury,
  and the incoming President of the UN General
  Assembly, Mr. M. Lykketoft (former Speaker of
  the Parliament of Denmark)
- Closing of the Fourth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament

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