

ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT
RESOLUTION A/C.3/69/L.27 ENTITLED "Rights of indigenous
peoples"

1. The present statement is made in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.
2. In operative paragraph 5 of draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.27, the General Assembly would decide to convene a high-level event to mark the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, to be held during the 71st General Assembly session in 2016, and that the event will take stock of the achievements of the preceding ten years and assess the remaining challenges for the rights of Indigenous Peoples, and also discuss the further follow-up of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, including the consideration of a Third International Decade.
3. Pursuant to the request contained in operative paragraph 5, it is understood that all issues related to the high-level event including the date, format, organization and scope are yet to be determined. Accordingly, in the absence of modalities for the meeting, it is not possible at the present time to estimate the potential costs implications of the requirements for meetings and documentation. Upon the decision on the modalities, format and organization of the meeting, the Secretary-General would submit the relevant costs of such requirements in accordance with rule 153 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly. Furthermore, the date of the meeting will have to be determined in consultation with the Department of General Assembly and Conference Management.
4. Accordingly, adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.27 would not give rise to any financial implications under the programme budget.