

2<sup>nd</sup> Committee Side Event: Debt Vulnerabilities in Emerging Market and Developing Countries

Co-Hosted by the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group

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drawn. It would spotlight trends in recent years, with particular attention given to the evolution of fiscal positions and public debt levels, including analysis of the drivers of debt accumulation and the current severity of debt vulnerabilities. It would also highlight steps being taken by the IMF and World Bank to help countries contain debt vulnerabilities. To promote a lively debate, it would bring contributions from different perspectives. The event would be aimed at country representatives, staff, and open to participation from CSOs and academics.

Key topics for discussion could include:

- x What are the key debt vulnerabilities of EM and LDCs? How should they manage them?
- x How can countries design fiscal adjustments when needed while minimizing social and growth impacts?
- x How can countries facing elevated debt vulnerabilities and therefore tight constraints on borrowing nevertheless make progress towards their development?
- x What can the international community do to help countries facing high debt vulnerabilities contain them?

Run of show