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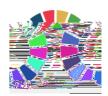
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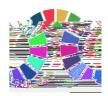
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4. showcase how the Regional Commissionsilding on their convening and advocacy power, normative capacity and the knowledge of the countries they serve, continue work toward tackling inequalities/ global asymmetries hus helping to lay the basis fosustainable ong term recovery in the regions

III. FORMAT

Opening remarks will be elivered by the Chair of the General Assembly Second Committe Ms. Vanessa Frazier, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Malta to the lowed by the Executive Secretaries of the five UN Regional Commissions will make presentations (16 nins each). Then there will be interactive rounds of discussion with members of the Committee The Director of the Regional Commissions W York Office will moderate the discussion.

IV. PROGRAMME

- 10:00 Opening remarks, Chair Second Committeld, E. Ms. Vanessa Frazielmbassador and Permanent Representative Malta to the UN.
- 10:05 Welcoming remarks, Moderator, Ms. Rosa Malango, Director, Regional Commissions New York Office.
- 10:10 Presentations the Executive Secretaries of the Regional Commissions:
 - Executive Secretary ESCAP and USG Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana;
 - Executive Secretary Aand USG Ms/era Songwe
 - Executive Secretary UNECE and USG Ms. Olga Algayerova;
 - Executive Secretary E&C and USG Ms. Aliciardena;
 - Executive SecretarySEWA and USG MsRola Dashti(Coordinator of the five Regional Commissions).
- 11:00 Round of interventions from the floor.
- 12:00 Responses from the Executive Secretaries of the Regional Commissions.
- 12:50 Concluding remarks by the Moderator.
- 12:55