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 General Assembly**

**Fact Sheet 3  
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## Presidents of the United Nations General Assembly

| Session                   | Year | Name                        | Country                     |
|---------------------------|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| First                     | 1946 | Mr. Paul-Henri Spaak        | Belgium                     |
| First special             | 1947 | Mr. Oswaldo Aranha          | Brazil                      |
| Second                    | 1947 | Mr. Oswaldo Aranha          | Brazil                      |
| Second special            | 1948 | Mr. José Arce               | Argentina                   |
| Third                     | 1948 | Mr. H. V. Evatt             | Australia                   |
| Fourth                    | 1949 | Mr. Carlos P. Rómulo        | Philippines                 |
| Fifth                     | 1950 | Mr. Nasrollah Entezam       | Iran                        |
| Sixth                     | 1951 | Mr. Luis Padilla Nervo      | Mexico                      |
| Seventh                   | 1952 | Mr. Lester B. Pearson       | Canada                      |
| Eighth                    | 1953 | Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit  | India                       |
| Ninth                     | 1954 | Mr. Eelco N. van Kleffens   | Netherlands                 |
| Tenth                     | 1955 | Mr. José Maza               | Chile                       |
| First emergency special   | 1956 | Mr. Rudecindo Ortega        | Chile                       |
| Second emergency special  | 1956 | Mr. Rudecindo Ortega        | Chile                       |
| Eleventh                  | 1956 | Prince Wan Waithayakon      | Thailand                    |
| Twelfth                   | 1957 | Sir Leslie Munro            | New Zealand                 |
| Third emergency special   | 1958 | Sir Leslie Munro            | New Zealand                 |
| Thirteenth                | 1958 | Mr. Charles Malik           | Lebanon                     |
| Fourteenth                | 1959 | Mr. Víctor Andrés Belaúnde  | Peru                        |
| Fourth emergency special  | 1960 | Mr. Víctor Andrés Belaúnde  | Peru                        |
| Fifteenth                 | 1960 | Mr. Frederick H. Boland     | Ireland                     |
| Third special             | 1961 | Mr. Frederick H. Boland     | Ireland                     |
| Sixteenth                 | 1961 | Mr. Mongi Slim              | Tunisia                     |
| Seventeenth               | 1962 | Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan  | Pakistan                    |
| Fourth special            | 1963 | Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan  | Pakistan                    |
| Eighteenth                | 1963 | Mr. Carlos Sosa Rodríguez   | Venezuela                   |
| Nineteenth                | 1964 | Mr. Alex Quaison-Sackey     | Ghana                       |
| Twentieth                 | 1965 | Mr. Amintore Fanfani        | Italy                       |
| Twenty-first              | 1966 | Mr. Abdul Rahman Pazhwak    | Afghanistan                 |
| Fifth special             | 1967 | Mr. Abdul Rahman Pazhwak    | Afghanistan                 |
| Fifth emergency special   | 1967 | Mr. Abdul Rahman Pazhwak    | Afghanistan                 |
| Twenty-second             | 1967 | Mr. Corneliu Manescu        | Romania                     |
| Twenty-third              | 1968 | Mr. Emilio Arenales Catalán | Guatemala                   |
| Twenty-fourth             | 1969 | Miss Angie E. Brooks        | Liberia                     |
| Twenty-fifth              | 1970 | Mr. Edvard Hambro           | Norway                      |
| Twenty-sixth              | 1971 | Mr. Adam Malik              | Indonesia                   |
| Twenty-seventh            | 1972 | Mr. Stanislaw Trepczynski   | Poland                      |
| Twenty-eighth             | 1973 | Mr. Leopoldo Benítez        | Ecuador                     |
| Sixth special             | 1974 | Mr. Leopoldo Benítez        | Ecuador                     |
| Twenty-ninth              | 1974 | Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika    | Algeria                     |
| Seventh special           | 1975 | Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika    | Algeria                     |
| Thirtieth                 | 1975 | Mr. Gaston Thorn            | Luxembourg                  |
| Thirty-first              | 1976 | Mr. H. S. Amerasinghe       | Sri Lanka                   |
| Thirty-second             | 1977 | Mr. Lazar Mojsov            | Yugoslavia                  |
| Eighth special            | 1978 | Mr. Lazar Mojsov            | Yugoslavia                  |
| Ninth special             | 1978 | Mr. Lazar Mojsov            | Yugoslavia                  |
| Tenth special             | 1978 | Mr. Lazar Mojsov            | Yugoslavia                  |
| Thirty-third              | 1978 | Mr. Indalecio Liévano       | Colombia                    |
| Thirty-fourth             | 1979 | Mr. Salim A. Salim          | United Republic of Tanzania |
| Sixth emergency special   | 1980 | Mr. Salim A. Salim          | United Republic of Tanzania |
| Seventh emergency special | 1980 | Mr. Salim A. Salim          | United Republic of Tanzania |
| Eleventh special          | 1980 | Mr. Salim A. Salim          | United Republic of Tanzania |
| Thirty-fifth              | 1980 | Mr. Rüdiger von Wechmar     | Federal Republic of Germany |

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| Eighth emergency special                   | 1981 | Mr. Rüdiger von Wechmar                             | Federal Republic of Germany |
| Thirty-sixth                               | 1981 | Mr. Ismat T. Kittani                                | Iraq                        |
| Ninth emergency special                    | 1982 | Mr. Ismat T. Kittani                                | Iraq                        |
| Seventh emergency special<br>(resumed)     | 1982 | Mr. Ismat T. Kittani                                | Iraq                        |
| Twelfth special                            | 1982 | Mr. Ismat T. Kittani                                | Iraq                        |
| Thirty-seventh                             | 1982 | Mr. Imre Hollai                                     | Hungary                     |
| Thirty-eighth                              | 1983 | Mr. Jorge E. Illueca                                | Panama                      |
| Thirty-ninth                               | 1984 | Mr. Paul J. F. Lusaka                               | Zambia                      |
| Fortieth                                   | 1985 | Mr. Jaime de Piniés                                 | Spain                       |
| Thirteenth special                         | 1986 | Mr. Jaime de Piniés                                 | Spain                       |
| Forty-first                                | 1986 | Mr. Humayun Rasheed Choudhury                       | Bangladesh                  |
| Fourteenth special                         | 1986 | Mr. Humayun Rasheed Choudhury                       | Bangladesh                  |
| Forty-second                               | 1987 | Mr. Peter Florin                                    | German Democratic Republic  |
| Fifteenth special                          | 1988 | Mr. Peter Florin                                    | German Democratic Republic  |
| Forty-third                                | 1988 | Mr. Dante M. Caputo                                 | Argentina                   |
| Forty-fourth                               | 1989 | Mr. Joseph Nanven Garba                             | Nigeria                     |
| Sixteenth special                          | 1989 | Mr. Joseph Nanven Garba                             | Nigeria                     |
| Seventeenth special                        | 1990 | Mr. Joseph Nanven Garba                             | Nigeria                     |
| Eighteenth special                         | 1990 | Mr. Joseph Nanven Garba                             | Nigeria                     |
| Forty-fifth                                | 1990 | Mr. Guido de Marco                                  | Malta                       |
| Forty-sixth                                | 1991 | Mr. Samir S. Shihabi                                | Saudi Arabia                |
| Forty-seventh                              | 1992 | Mr. Stoyan Ganev                                    | Bulgaria                    |
| Forty-eighth                               | 1993 | Mr. Samuel R. Insanally                             | Guyana                      |
| Forty-ninth                                | 1994 | Mr. Amara Essy                                      | Côte d'Ivoire               |
| Fiftieth                                   | 1995 | Prof. Diogo Freitas do Amaral                       | Portugal                    |
| Fifty-first                                | 1996 | Mr. Razali Ismail                                   | Malaysia                    |
| Tenth emergency special                    | 1997 | Mr. Razali Ismail                                   | Malaysia                    |
| Nineteenth special                         | 1997 | Mr. Razali Ismail                                   | Malaysia                    |
| Tenth emergency special<br>(resumed twice) | 1997 | Mr. Razali Ismail                                   | Malaysia                    |
| Fifty-second                               | 1997 | Mr. Hennadiy Udoenko                                | Ukraine                     |
| Tenth emergency special<br>(resumed)       | 1998 | Mr. Hennadiy Udoenko                                | Ukraine                     |
| Twentieth special                          | 1998 | Mr. Hennadiy Udoenko                                | Ukraine                     |
| Fifty-third                                | 1998 | Mr. Didier Operti                                   | Uruguay                     |
| Tenth emergency special<br>(resumed)       | 1999 | Mr. Didier Operti                                   | Uruguay                     |
| Twenty-first special                       | 1999 | Mr. Didier Operti                                   | Uruguay                     |
| Fifty-fourth                               | 1999 | Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab                                | Namibia                     |
| Twenty-second special                      | 1999 | Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab                                | Namibia                     |
| Twenty-third special                       | 2000 | Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab                                | Namibia                     |
| Twenty-fourth special                      | 2000 | Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab                                | Namibia                     |
| Fifty-fifth                                | 2000 | Mr. Harri Holkeri                                   | Finland                     |
| Tenth emergency special<br>(resumed)       | 2000 | Mr. Harri Holkeri                                   | Finland                     |
| Twenty-fifth special                       | 2001 | Mr. Harri Holkeri                                   | Finland                     |
| Twenty-sixth special                       | 2001 | Mr. Harri Holkeri                                   | Finland                     |
| Fifty-sixth                                | 2001 | Mr. Han Seung-soo                                   | Republic of Korea           |
| Tenth emergency special<br>(resumed)       | 2001 | Mr. Han Seung-soo                                   | Republic of Korea           |
| (resumed twice)                            | 2002 | Mr. Han Seung-soo                                   | Republic of Korea           |
| Twenty-seventh special                     | 2002 | Mr. Han Seung-soo                                   | Republic of Korea           |
| Fifty-seventh                              | 2002 | Mr. Jan Kavan                                       | Czech Republic              |
| Fifty-eighth                               | 2003 | Mr. Julian Robert Hunte                             | Saint Lucia                 |
| Tenth emergency special<br>(resumed twice) | 2003 | Mr. Julian Robert Hunte                             | Saint Lucia                 |
| (resumed)                                  | 2004 | Mr. Julian Robert Hunte                             | Saint Lucia                 |
| Fifty-ninth                                | 2004 | Mr. Jean Ping                                       | Gabonese Republic           |
| Sixtieth                                   | 2005 | Mr. Jan Eliasson                                    | Sweden                      |
| Sixty-first                                | 2006 | Sheikha Haya Rashed Al Khalifa<br>(President-elect) | Bahrain                     |