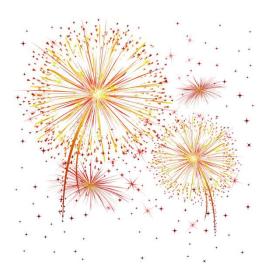
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### How many participated? We don't know!

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## General Assembly Proclaims World Wetlands Day, World Cotton Day, Expresses Solidarity with Haiti, as It Adopts 3 Resolutions

Acting without a vote, the General Assembly adopted three resolutions today, two proclaiming World Wetlands Day and World Cotton Day, respectively and the third expressing solidarity with the people and Government of Haiti in the aftermath of the devastating 14 August earthquake in that country.

Introducing the text "World Wetlands Day" (document A/75/L.125), the representative of Costa Rica noted that wetlands serve both people and nature, with an intrinsic value and services quantified in billions of dollars annually. Those ecosystems directly and indirectly service humans and crops, especially the cultivation of rice, a staple for a large percentage of humankind, as well as fishing, he added. Wetlands also regulate global climate, storing carbon in a natural manner, with peatlands covering 3 per cent of the Earth's surface yet storing 30 per cent of its carbon. However, despite the benefits they provide, wetlands have been threatened for decades, with 35 per cent lost since 1970 and 74 per cent of the planet's surface altered by human action, he noted, emphasizing that they are crucial to realizing the Sustainable Development Goals.



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