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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2003, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-eighth session the item entitled "Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions".
2. At its 17th meeting, on 7 November 2003, the Fifth Committee had before it a note by the Secretary-General (A/58/102) concerning the vacancies in the membership of the Committee on Contributions that would occur as a result of the expiration of the term of office of six of its members on 31 December 2003.
3. The Fifth Committee also had before it a note by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/58/6 and A/C.5/58/6/Add.1) containing the names of seven persons nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment to the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2004.
4. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it appoint Kenshiro Akimoto (Japan), Haile Selassie Getachew (Ethiopia), David A. Leis (United States of America) and Meshal Al-Mansour (Kuwait) as members of the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2004 (see para. 9).
5. The Fifth Committee then proceeded to elect, by secret ballot, two persons from the three candidates proposed by the Eastern European States. The result of the voting was as follows:



Eastern European States

Number of ballots cast:	181
Invalid ballots:	0
Number of valid ballots:	181
Abstentions:	0
Number of members voting:	181
Required majority:	91
Number of votes obtained:	
Petru Dumitriu	135
Ihor V. Humenny	134
Assen Lliev Zlatanov	80

6. Having obtained the required majority, Petru Dumitriu (Romania) and Ihor V. Humenny (Ukraine) were recommended for appointment as members of the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2004 (see para. 9).

7. At its 17th meeting, on 7 November 2003, the Fifth Committee also considered a note by the Secretary-General (A/58/102/Add.1) concerning a vacancy in the membership of the Committee on Contributions as a result of the resignation of Henry Fox (Australia) and by which it was informed of the nomination by the Government of Australia and endorsement by the Group of Western European and Other States of David Dutton (Australia) to fill the remainder of the term of office of Mr. Fox, which expires on 31 December 2004.

8. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it appoint David Dutton as a member of the Committee on Contributions for a term of office beginning on _____2003¹ and ending on 31 December 2004 (see para. 10).

Recommendations of the Fifth Committee

9. The Fifth Committee recommends that the General Assembly appoint the following persons as members of the Committee on Contributions for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2004:

- Mr. Kenshiro Akimoto (Japan)
- Mr. Petru Dumitriu (Romania)
- Mr. Haile Selassie Getachew (Ethiopia)
- Mr. Ihor V. Humenny (Ukraine)
- Mr. David A. Leis (United States of America)
- Mr. Meshal Al-Mansour (Kuwait)

10. The Fifth Committee also recommends that the General Assembly appoint Mr. David Dutton (Australia) as a member of the Committee on Contributions for a term of office beginning on _____ 2003¹ and ending on 31 December 2004.

¹ Date of adoption of the decision by the General Assembly.