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Training and research

Report of the Second Committee*

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 17 September 2004, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-ninth session the item entitled:

"Training and research:

- "(a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;
- "(b) United Nations University"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on sub-items (a) and (b) at its 34th and 35th meetings, on 16 and 17 November 2004. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/59/SR.34 and 35). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 2nd to 8th meetings, from 4 to 6 October and on 12 October 2004 (see A/C.2/59/SR.2-8). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be given in addenda to the present report as follows:

Sub-item	Addendum
(a)	1
(b)	2

^{*} The report of the Committee on this item will be issued in three parts, under the symbol A/59/490 and Adds. 1 and 2.

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research

Report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;¹

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/59/230);

(b) United Nations University

Report of the Council of the United Nations University;²

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations University (A/59/566).

4. At the 34th meeting, on 16 November, introductory statements were made by the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and the Rector and Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations University (see A/C.2/59/SR.34).

 $^{^{1}\} Official\ Records\ of\ the\ General\ Assembly,\ Fifty-ninth\ Session,\ Supplement\ No.\ 14\ (A/59/14).$

² Ibid., Supplement No. 31 (A/59/31).