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[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/60/608/Add.2)]

60/256. Capital master plan

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 54/249 of 23 December 1999, 55/238 of 23 December 2000, 56/234 and 56/236 of 24 December 2001 and 56/286 of 27 June 2002, section II of its resolution 57/292 of 20 December 2002, its resolution 59/295 of 22 June 2005, section II of its resolution 60/248 of 23 December 2005 and its decision 58/566 of 8 April 2004,

1. *Takes note* of the third annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the capital master $plan^1$ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;²

2. *Decides* to appropriate an amount of 23.5 million United States dollars for financing the design and pre-construction phases of the capital master plan, including swing space requirements;

3. *Also decides* that the appropriation of 23.5 million dollars shall be financed in accordance with regulation 3.1 of the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations³ through assessment on Member States in 2006 on the basis of the regular budget scale of assessments in effect for the year;

4. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into commitments of up to 77 million dollars for the biennium 2006-2007 to provide for the construction, fitout and related requirements of a conference swing space building on the North Lawn and for the leasing, design, pre-construction services, fit-out and related requirements of library and office swing space for the capital master plan;

5. *Also authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into the lease commitments necessary for the implementation of the capital master plan;

¹ A/60/550 and Corr.1 and 2 and Add.1.

² A/60/7/Add.12. For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 7A.

³ ST/SGB/2003/7.

6. *Reaffirms* paragraph 28 of its resolution 57/292, and calls upon the Secretary-General to explore the possibility of private donor funding for the capital master plan;

7. *Recalls* paragraph 12 of the report of the Advisory Committee,² and requests the Secretary-General to present a more detailed business analysis on the possibility of constructing a new permanent building on the North Lawn by the second part of its resumed sixtieth session;

8. *Decides* to revert, as a matter of priority, to the consideration of the reports on the capital master plan during the second part of its resumed sixtieth session.

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