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**Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman following
informal consultations**

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The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire for the period from 13 May 2003 to 30 June 2004,¹ the note by the Secretary-General concerning the budget for the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire² and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,³

Having also considered the letter dated 27 October 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly⁴ and the letter dated 29 October 2003 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee⁵ regarding the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire,

1. *Reaffirms*, in the context of the decision of the Security Council with respect to the financing of the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire, the role of the General Assembly, as set out in Article 17 of the Charter of the United Nations, as the organ to consider and approve the budget of the Organization, as well as the apportionment of its expenses among Member States;

¹ A/58/370.

² A/58/598.

³ A/58/538.

⁴ A/58/535.

⁵ A/C.5/58/12.

2. *Notes* that the financing of the Mission up to now has been provided in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 49/233 A of 23 December 1994;

3. *Decides*, as a provisional and exceptional measure, to finance the Mission up to the expiration of its current mandate in accordance with the scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations under the regular budget;

4. *Decides also* that the issue of the most appropriate funding for the Mission upon the renewal of its mandate should be considered by the General Assembly at the first part of its resumed fifty-eighth session, in the context of established norms and practice;

5. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly to bring to the attention of the President of the Security Council the contents of the present resolution.
