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[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/58/574)]

58/268. Programme planning

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 37/234 of 21 December 1982, 38/227 A of 20 December 1983, 41/213 of 19 December 1986, 55/234 of 23 December 2000, 56/253 of 24 December 2001, 57/282 of 20 December 2002 and 58/270 of 23 December 2003,

Having considered the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its forty-third session,¹

Appreciating the letters from the President of the General Assembly transmitting the recommendations of the Assembly,² the Second Committee,³ the Third Committee⁴ and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee),⁵ on the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on proposed revisions to programmes 7, 8 and 23 of the medium-term plan for the period 2002–2005, and on evaluation,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its forty-third session;¹

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 2002–2005 as contained in the report of the Committee on the work of its forty-third session¹ and as endorsed by the Second Committee regarding programme 7, Economic and social affairs,³ by the General Assembly regarding programme 8, United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development,⁶ and by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) regarding programme 23, Public information;⁵

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 16 (A/58/16).*

² A/C.5/58/19 and A/C.5/58/21.

³ A/C.5/58/11.

⁴ A/C.5/58/15.

⁵ A/C.5/58/14.

⁶ A/C.5/58/19.

3. *Reaffirms* the relevant paragraphs of its resolution 55/231 of 23 December 2000, and requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its fifty-ninth session, through the Committee for Programme and Coordination, a report on priority-setting;

4. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations, as contained in chapter II of the report of the Committee on the work of its forty-third session;¹ on evaluation, as contained in section C of chapter III¹ and as endorsed by the Third Committee⁴ and the General Assembly;⁷ on the annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2002 and on the New Partnership for Africa's Development, as contained in chapter IV;¹ and on the Joint Inspection Unit, as contained in chapter V;¹

5. *Decides* to consider the report of the Secretary-General on the practice of involving United Nations programme managers in investigative processes, requested in section IV, paragraph 3, of its resolution 57/282, at the first part of its resumed fifty-eighth session under the item entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations".

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⁷ A/C.5/58/21.