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Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 120 appear in the report of the Committee contained in document A/58/572.
2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 29th meeting, on 18 December 2003. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/58/SR.29).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/58/L.41

3. At its 29th meeting, on 18 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Final budget appropriations for the biennium 2002-2003" (A/C.5/58/L.41), which was submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Greece.
4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/58/L.41 without a vote (see para. 5).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

5. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Final budget appropriations for the biennium 2002-2003

The General Assembly,

1. *Takes note* of the second performance report of the Secretary-General on the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;²

2. *Resolves* that, for the biennium 2002-2003:

(a) The amount of 2,891,068,700 United States dollars appropriated by it in its resolutions 57/293 A of 20 December 2002 and 57/311 of 18 June 2003 shall be increased by 76,659,100 dollars, as follows:

¹ A/58/558 and Add.1 and Corr.1.

² A/58/604.

<i>Section</i>	<i>Amount approved by the General Assembly in its resolutions 57/293 A and 57/311</i>	<i>Increase/ (decrease)</i>	<i>Final appropriation</i>	
	<i>(United States dollars)</i>			
Part I.	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination			
1.	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination	50 628 800	1 207 300	51 836 100
2.	General Assembly affairs and conference services	470 592 900	18 320 700	488 913 600
	Total, part I	521 221 700	19 528 000	540 749 700
Part II.	Political affairs			
3.	Political affairs	251 550 300	12 023 700	263 574 000
4.	Disarmament	15 821 100	330 800	16 151 900
5.	Peacekeeping operation	78 200 100	(1 668 400)	76 531 700
6.	Peaceful uses of outer space	4 315 300	(182 500)	4 132 800
	Total, part II	349 886 800	10 503 600	360 390 400
Part III.	International justice and law			
7.	International Court of Justice	26 315 900	1 964 900	28 280 800
8.	Legal affairs	35 754 500	(324 300)	35 430 200
	Total, part III	62 070 400	1 640 600	63 711 000
Part IV.	International cooperation for development			
9.	Economic and social affairs	123 902 200	2 987 200	126 889 400
9A.	Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States	3 099 500	(865 900)	2 233 600
10.	Africa: New Agenda for Development	6 052 300	46 300	6 098 600
11A.	Trade and development	91 295 800	1 778 200	93 074 000
11B.	International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO	19 373 900	997 900	20 371 800
12.	Environment	8 355 100	500 300	8 855 400
13.	Human settlements	12 794 200	847 800	13 642 000
14.	Crime control	6 339 800	1 074 900	7 414 700
15.	International drug control	16 293 700	1 551 800	17 845 500
	Total, part IV	287 506 500	8 918 500	296 425 000
Part V.	Regional cooperation for development			
16.	Economic and social development in Africa	83 865 900	(5 009 200)	78 856 700
17.	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	58 821 300	(253 100)	58 568 200
18.	Economic development in Europe	43 798 800	3 551 200	47 350 000
19.	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	73 210 500	189 300	73 399 800
20.	Economic and social development in Western Asia	49 842 800	(467 500)	49 375 300
21.	Regular programme of technical cooperation	42 871 500	1 034 100	43 905 600
	Total, part V	352 410 800	(955 200)	351 455 600

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	<i>(United States dollars)</i>		
Part VI. Human rights and humanitarian affairs			
22. Human rights	47 576 300	534 500	48 110 800
23. Protection of and assistance to refugees	45 956 000	3 315 500	49 271 500
24. Palestine refugees	28 278 700	1 250 800	29 529 500
25. Humanitarian assistance	20 577 400	168 300	20 745 700
Total, part VI	142 388 400	5 269 100	147 657 500
Part VII. Public information			
26. Public information	147 107 600	278 200	147 385 800
Total, part VII	147 107 600	278 200	147 385 800
Part VIII. Common support services			
27. Management and central support services	451 342 100	6 748 000	458 090 100
Total, part VIII	451 342 100	6 748 000	458 090 100
Part IX. Internal oversight			
28. Internal oversight	20 946 600	82 300	21 028 900
Total, part IX	20 946 600	82 300	21 028 900
Part X. Jointly financed administrative activities and special expenses			
29. Jointly financed administrative activities	8 759 600	(647 900)	8 111 700
30. Special expenses	77 085 600	4 820 800	81 906 400
Total, part X	85 845 200	4 172 900	90 018 100
Part XI. Capital expenditures			
31. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	88 341 100	529 900	88 871 000
Total, part XI	88 341 100	529 900	88 871 000
Part XII. Staff assessment			
32. Staff assessment	368 936 500	19 943 200	388 879 700
Total, part XII	368 936 500	19 943 200	388 879 700
Part XIII. Development Account			
33. Development Account	13 065 000	-	13 065 000
Total, part XIII	13 065 000	-	13 065 000
Grand total	2 891 068 700	76 659 100	2 967 727 800

(b) The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget, with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee;

(c) In addition to the appropriations approved under subparagraph (a) above, an amount of 125,000 dollars is appropriated for each year of the biennium 2002-2003 from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and for such other expenses of the Library at the Palais des Nations as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment.

B

Final income estimates for the biennium 2002-2003

The General Assembly,

Resolves that, for the biennium 2002-2003:

(a) The estimates of income of 414,429,600 United States dollars approved by it in its resolution 57/293 B of 20 December 2002 shall be increased by 13,660,500 dollars, as follows:

<i>Income section</i>	<i>Amount approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 57/293 B</i>	<i>Increase/(decrease)</i>	<i>Final estimate</i>
<i>(United States dollars)</i>			
1. Income from staff assessment	373 048 100	20 053 100	393 101 200
Total, income, section 1	373 048 100	20 053 100	393 101 200
2. General income	41 953 200	(8 211 000)	33 742 200
3. Services to the public	(571 700)	1 818 400	1 246 700
Total, income sections 2 and 3	41 381 500	(6 392 600)	34 989 900
Grand total	414 429 600	13 660 500	428 090 100

(b) The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

(c) Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, garage operations, television services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.