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Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendation made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 126 appears in the report of the Committee contained in document A/62/604.
2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of this item at its 31st and 36th meetings, on 11 and 28 March 2008. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/62/SR.31 and 36).
3. For its further consideration of this item, the Committee had before it the following documents:
 - (a) Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities (A/62/525);
 - (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/721);
 - (c) Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the application of the best value for money principle in United Nations procurement and the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments thereon (A/61/846 and Add.1).



II. Consideration of draft decision A/C.5/62/L.32

4. At its 36th meeting, on 28 March, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled "Questions deferred for future consideration" (A/C.5/62/L.32), submitted by the Chairman.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/62/L.32 without a vote (see para. 6).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Questions deferred for future consideration

Section A

The General Assembly decides to defer until the second part of its resumed sixty-second session consideration of the following agenda item and related documents:

Item 126: Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities¹

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²

Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the application of the best value for money principle in United Nations procurement and the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments thereon³

Section B

The General Assembly decides to defer until its sixty-third session consideration of the following documents:

Item 128: Programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009

Report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 under section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination, section 3, Political affairs,

¹ A/62/525.

² A/62/721.

³ A/61/846 and Add.1.

section 28D, Office of Central Support Services, and section 35, Staff assessment, related to the strengthening of the Department of Political Affairs⁴

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions⁵

Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the management of special political missions⁶ by the Department of Political Affairs

Letter dated 7 March 2008 from the Permanent Representatives of Antigua and Barbuda and Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General⁷

Letter dated 12 March 2008 from the Secretary-General to the Permanent Representatives of Antigua and Barbuda and Cuba to the United Nations⁸

Item 133: Human resources management

Report of the Secretary-General on the staffing of field missions, including the use of 300- and 100-series appointments⁹

Report of the Secretary-General on detailed proposals for streamlining United Nations contractual arrangements¹⁰

Report of the Secretary-General on the harmonization of conditions of service¹¹

Report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2006: addendum¹²

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions¹³

Items 138 and 139: Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 and Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

Report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive proposal on appropriate incentives to retain staff of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia¹⁴

⁴ A/62/521 and Corr.1.

⁵ A/62/7/Add.32.

⁶ A/61/357.

⁷ A/C.5/62/24.

⁸ A/C.5/62/25.

⁹ A/61/732.

¹⁰ A/62/274.

¹¹ A/61/861.

¹² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-first Session, Supplement No. 30* (A/61/30/Add.1).

¹³ A/62/7/Add.14 (sect. II).

¹⁴ A/62/681.

Report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2007¹⁵

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions¹⁶

¹⁵ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 30 and corrigendum (A/62/30 and Corr.1) (chap. II).*

¹⁶ A/62/734.