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FIRST COMMITTEELetter dated 12 October 1987 from the Chairman of the Fifth
Committee addressed to the Chairman of the First Committee

I have the honour to refer to the letter of the President of the General Assembly dated 18 September 1987 (A/C.5/42/6), by which he informed me that at the 3rd plenary meeting of the forty-second session, held on 18 September 1987, the General Assembly had decided to allocate agenda item 116 (Programme planning), among others, to the Fifth Committee.

In paragraph 103 of the report of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination (CPC) on its resumed twenty-seventh session (A/42/16 (Part II)), which forms part of the documentation for agenda item 116, CPC recommends that the General Assembly, through its Main Committees, should consider at its forty-second session the paper entitled "Some perspectives on the work of the United Nations in the 1990s" included in the note by the Secretary-General on the preparation of the next medium-term plan (A/42/512), together with a summary of the preliminary views expressed by members of CPC (see A/42/16 (Part II), paras. 86-99), as part of the process of ensuring the full participation of Member States in the preparation of the introduction to the next medium-term plan, as mandated by the Assembly in resolution 41/213.

In order to permit the Fifth Committee to take fully into account the views which the First Committee may wish to express on the above-mentioned enclosure to the note by the Secretary-General, it would be appreciated if such views were to be communicated to the Fifth Committee no later than the first week of November 1987.

(Signed) Henri KAMNEUS
Chairman of the Fifth Committee
of the General Assembly