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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 47/227 of 8 April 1993 and 56/208 of 21 December 2001,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Institute for Training and Research¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

1. *Emphasizes* the need to find a viable financial solution to ensure the future effective functioning of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research;

2. *Notes with concern* that the Institute has accumulated a debt to the United Nations and to the Fondation Immobilière pour Organisations Internationales due to lack of payment of rent and maintenance for its liaison offices in New York and Geneva;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, based on consultations with the Executive Director of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, to report to its fifty-eighth session on the financial viability of the Institute, including the status regarding all voluntary contributions and the payment of the Institute's accumulated debt, as well as on provisions offered to other comparable organizations;

4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to address, in the context of the programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005, based on the aforementioned consultations with the Institute, specific proposals and options on how best to address the issue of its past and future maintenance and rental costs, drawing on the provisions made for other organizations associated with the United Nations.

¹ A/57/479.

² A/57/7/Add.15.