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## Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

## **Timely submission of documents**

The General Assembly,

Recalling section IV, paragraph 12, of its resolution 63/248 of 24 December 2008,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on action taken to improve the timely submission of documents for the Fifth Committee<sup>1</sup> and the related reports of the Committee on Conferences<sup>2</sup> and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>3</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on action taken to improve the timely submission of documents for the Fifth Committee;<sup>1</sup>

2. *Welcomes* the report of the Committee on Conferences;<sup>2</sup>

3. *Reiterates* the importance of the timely issuance of documents for the Fifth Committee;

4. *Welcomes* the progress achieved so far by the task force concerning the timely issuance of documents for the Fifth Committee on peacekeeping financing;

5. *Notes with concern* the lack of conference services being provided to the Human Rights Council, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the Council, as a subsidiary body of the General Assembly, is provided with all necessary conference services to support its activities, including the universal periodic review;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Office of Internal Oversight Services with a review of the circumstances that led to insufficient conference

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A/63/746, sect. II.





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A/63/735.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 32A (A/63/32/Add.1).

services being put at the disposal of the Human Rights Council in 2009 and to present its recommendations to the General Assembly at the main part of its sixty-fourth session in order to avoid similar situations;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to maintain the support to major groups participating in the 2009 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, to be held in Geneva.