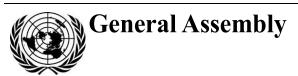
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I. Introduction

The present document, which is an addendum to the annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-eighth regular session of the General Assembly (A/78/100), is being issued in accordance with paragraph 17 (c) of annex II to Assembly resolution 2837 (XXVI). The annotated draft agenda has been prepared on the basis of the provisional agenda of the seventy-eighth session (A/78/150, issued on 7 July 2023) and contains information relating to items 14, 26, 27, 31 (b), 37, 39 to 45, 51, 62, 63, 65, 76, 89, 112, 113, 116 (a) and (g), 117, 120 to 123, 126, 129 to 140 and 142 to 161.

II. Annotated draft agenda

A. Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences

No advance documentation is expected.

14. Culture of peace

The item entitled "Towards a culture of peace" was included in the agenda of the fifty-second session of the General Assembly at the request of a number of States (A/52/191). At that session, the Assembly, under that item, decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-third session an item entitled "Culture of peace" (resolution 52/13). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-third session and has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-fifth session (resolutions 53/25, 53/243 (Declaration and Programme of Action on a Culture of Peace), 55/47, 56/5, 57/6, 58/11, 58/128, 59/23, 59/142, 59/143, 60/3, 60/10, 60/11, 61/45, 61/221, 61/269 to 61/271, 62/89, 62/90, 63/22, 63/113, 63/198, 64/13, 64/14, 64/80, 64/81, 64/253, 65/5, 65/11, 65/138, 65/275, 66/116, 66/226, 67/104 to 67/106, 68/125 to 68/127, 69/139, 69/140, 69/281, 69/312, 70/19, 70/20, 70/109, 70/254, 71/249, 71/252, 71/275, 72/17, 72/129, 72/130, 72/136, 72/137, 72/241, 73/126 to 73/129, 73/300, 73/328, 73/329, 73/338, 73/344, 74/21 to 74/23, 75/25, 75/26, 75/200, 75/258, 76/68, 76/69, 76/250, 76/254, 77/243, 77/296 and 77/318).

At its sixty-fourth session, the Assembly decided to designate 18 July as Nelson Mandela International Day, to be observed each year beginning in 2010, and requested the Secretary-General to keep the Assembly informed on an annual basis concerning the observance of the Day (resolution 64/13).

At its sixty-fifth session, the Assembly proclaimed the first week of February every year the World Interfaith Harmony Week between all religions, faiths and beliefs, and encouraged all States to support, on a voluntary basis, the spread of the message of interfaith harmony and goodwill in the world's churches, mosques, synagogues, temples and other places of worship during that week. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to keep it informed of the implementation of the resolution (resolution 65/5).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly decided to continue consideration of the question of promoting a culture of peace and tolerance to safeguard religious sites (resolution 75/258).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its seventy-eighth session on the implementation of the resolution entitled

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"Promotion of interreligious and intercultural dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace" (resolution 76/69).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate, where statements were made by the President and 22 delegations (see A/77/PV.79). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its seventy-ninth session a report, within existing resources, on actions taken by Member States, on the basis of information provided by them, and those taken system-wide by all concerned entities of the United Nations to implement the resolution entitled "Follow-up to the Declaration and Programme of Action on a Culture of Peace" (resolution 77/296).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to convene, within existing resources, in 2025, a global conference on promoting interreligious and intercultural dialogue and tolerance in countering hate speech that involves United Nations entities, Member States, political figures, religious leaders, faith-based organizations, media, civil society and other relevant stakeholders (resolution 77/318).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 76/69)

Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 77/296).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 14)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/614

Draft resolutions A/77/L.41, A/77/L.74 and A/77/L.89

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.56, 79 and 94

Resolutions 77/243, 77/296 and 77/318

B. Maintenance of international peace and security

26. Report of the Security Council

The Security Council submits an annual report to the General Assembly under Article 24, paragraph 3, of the Charter, and the Assembly considers the report in accordance with Article 15, paragraph 1. The Council's report is included in the provisional agenda of the Assembly pursuant to rule 13 (b) of the rules of procedure.

At its fifty-first session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Strengthening of the United Nations system", decided that the agenda item would not be closed but would remain open to enable further discussion as necessary during the year, bearing in mind, inter alia, the submission of additional reports as and when necessary (resolution 51/241). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda since its first session (resolutions 37 (I), 115 (II), 269 (III), 298 (IV), 397 (V), 514 (VI), 695 (VII), 803 (VIII), 905 (IX), 993 (X), 1117 (XI), 1193 (XII), 1241 (XIII), 1377 (XIV), 1513 (XV), 1669 (XVI), 1800 (XVII), 1887 (XVIII), 2055 (XX), 2201 (XXI), 2283 (XXII), 2405 (XXIII), 2619 (XXIV), 2699 (XXV), 2864 (XXVI), 2991(XXVII), 3186 (XXVIII), 3322 (XXIX), 3530 (XXX), 31/155, 32/149 and 51/193 and decisions 33/434, 34/442, 35/434, 36/438, 37/435, 38/424, 39/457, 40/418, 41/415, 42/414, 43/416, 44/424, 45/420, 46/424, 47/470, 48/407, 49/407, 50/409, 52/406, 53/409, 54/409, 55/406, 56/406, 57/507, 58/508, 59/506, 60/511, 61/519, 62/511, 63/515, 64/510, 65/510,

66/510, 67/512, 68/559, 69/512, 70/512, 71/555, 72/563, 73/561, 74/576, 75/568, 76/567 and 77/561).

At the same session, the Assembly invited the Council, through an appropriate procedure or mechanism, to update the Assembly on a regular basis on the steps it had taken or was contemplating with respect to improving its reporting to the Assembly (resolution 51/193).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President of the General Assembly, the President of the Security Council and 31 delegations (see A/77/PV.86 and 87).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Report of the Security Council for 2023: Supplement No. 2 (A/78/2).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 27)

Report of the Security Council for 2022: Supplement No. 2 (A/77/2)

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.86 and 87

Decision 77/561

27. Report of the Peacebuilding Commission

At its sixtieth session, the General Assembly, under the items entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields" and "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit", decided, acting concurrently with the Security Council, with a view to operationalizing the decision by the 2005 World Summit (see resolution 60/1, para. 97), to establish the Peacebuilding Commission as an intergovernmental advisory body. It also decided that the Commission should submit an annual report to the Assembly and that the Assembly should hold an annual debate to review the report; and further decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-first session an item entitled "Report of the Peacebuilding Commission" (resolution 60/180). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-first session (decision 61/558).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate with the items entitled "Peacebuilding and sustaining peace" and "Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund", where statements were made by 45 delegations, including the former and current Chairs of the Peacebuilding Commission (see A/77/PV.92 and 93).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Report of the Peacebuilding Commission (resolution 60/180).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 28)

Report of the Peacebuilding Commission A/77/720

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.92 and 93

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31. Prevention of armed conflict

(b) Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution

At its sixty-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Prevention of armed conflict", decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-sixth session a sub-item entitled "Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution" (resolution 65/283).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda biennially at its sixty-sixth to seventy-second sessions and annually since its seventy-second session (resolutions 66/291, 68/262, 68/303 and 70/304 and decisions 72/567, 73/563, 74/577, 75/580, 76/577 and 77/569).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and include it in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decision 77/569).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 30 (b))

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.99

Decision 77/569

37. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte

The item entitled "Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte" was included in the agenda of the thirty-first session of the General Assembly at the request of Madagascar (A/31/241). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-first to fifty-ninth and sixty-third sessions (resolutions 31/4, 32/7, 34/69, 35/43, 36/105, 37/65, 38/13, 39/48, 40/62, 41/30, 42/17, 43/14, 44/9, 45/11, 46/9, 47/9, 48/56 and 49/18 and decisions 33/435, 50/493, 51/436, 52/435, 53/490, 54/439, 55/402, 56/454 and 63/559; see also decisions 58/503 A, 59/503 A and 62/503 A).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-fourth session, on the understanding that there would be no consideration of the item by the Assembly until further notice (decisions 65/553, 66/568, 67/566, 68/561, 69/562, 70/564, 71/560, 72/570, 73/566, 74/580, 75/581 and 76/577; see also decisions 64/503 A, 65/503 A, 66/503 A, 67/503 A, 68/504 A, 69/504 A, 70/504 A, 71/504 A, 72/504 A, 73/504 A, 74/503 A, 75/504 A, 76/506 A and 77/570).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include the item in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decision 77/570).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 35)

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.99

Decision 77/570

39. The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development

The item entitled "The situation in Central America: threats to international peace and security and peace initiatives" was included in the agenda of the thirty-eighth session of the General Assembly, at the request of Nicaragua (A/38/242). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-eighth to forty-seventh sessions (resolutions 38/10, 39/4, 41/37, 42/1, 43/24, 44/10, 45/15, 46/109 A and B and 47/118 and decision 40/470). At its forty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-eighth session an item entitled "The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development" (resolution 47/118). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-eighth to fifty-eighth and sixtieth sessions (resolutions 48/161, 49/137, 50/132, 51/197, 52/176, 53/94, 54/118, 55/178, 56/224, 57/160, 58/238 and 58/239 and decision 60/508).

At its sixtieth session, the Assembly decided that the item should remain on the agenda of the Assembly, beginning with the sixty-first session, for consideration upon notification by a Member State (decision 60/508).

The Assembly considered the item at its sixty-third to sixty-fifth and sixty-seventh sessions (resolutions 63/19, 64/7, 65/181 and 67/267).

No advance documentation is expected.

40. Question of Cyprus

The item entitled "Question of Cyprus" was included in the agenda of the General Assembly at its twenty-ninth session at the request of Cyprus (A/9743). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its twenty-ninth to fifty-eighth sessions (resolutions 3212 (XXIX), 3395 (XXX), 31/12, 32/15, 33/15, 34/30 and 37/253; and decisions adopted at the twenty-ninth and thirtieth sessions and decisions 31/403, 32/404, 33/402, 34/408, 35/428, 36/463, 37/455, 38/458, 39/464, 40/481, 41/472, 42/465, 43/464, 44/471, 45/458, 46/474, 47/467, 48/505, 49/502, 50/494, 51/479, 52/495, 53/493, 54/493, 55/491, 56/481 and 57/596).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", decided that, with effect from the fifty-ninth session, the item should remain on the agenda for consideration upon notification by a Member State (resolution 58/316, annex, para. 4 (b)).

No advance documentation is expected.

41. Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The item entitled "Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo" was included in the agenda of the General Assembly at its fifty-third session at the request of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/53/232). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-third to fifty-seventh sessions (decisions 53/488, 55/502, 56/476 and 57/597; see also A/54/969).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", decided that, with effect from the fifty-ninth session, the item should remain on the agenda for consideration upon notification by a Member State (resolution 58/316, annex, para. 4 (b)).

No advance documentation is expected.

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42. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)

The item entitled "Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)" was included in the agenda of the thirty-seventh session of the General Assembly at the request of 20 Member States (A/37/193). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-seventh to fifty-eighth sessions (resolutions 37/9, 38/12, 39/6, 40/21, 41/40, 42/19 and 43/25 and decisions 37/404, 38/405, 39/404, 40/410, 41/414, 42/410, 43/409, 44/406, 45/424, 46/406, 47/408, 48/408, 49/408, 50/406, 51/407, 52/409, 53/414, 54/412, 55/411, 56/410, 57/511 and 58/511).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", decided that, with effect from the fifty-ninth session, the item should remain on the agenda for consideration upon notification by a Member State (resolution 58/316, annex, para. 4 (b)).

No advance documentation is expected.

43. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti

The item entitled "The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti" was included in the agenda of the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly at the request of Honduras (A/46/231). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-sixth to fifty-eighth sessions (resolutions 46/7, 47/20 A and B, 48/27 A and B, 49/27 A and B, 50/86 A and B, 51/196 A and B, 52/174, 53/95, 54/193 and 55/285).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", decided that, with effect from the fifty-ninth session, the item should remain on the agenda for consideration upon notification by a Member State (resolution 58/316, annex, para. 4 (b)).

No advance documentation is expected.

44. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security

The item entitled "Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security" was included in the agenda of the thirty-sixth session of the General Assembly, at the request of 43 Member States (A/36/194, A/36/194/Add.1 and A/36/194/Add.2). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-sixth to fifty-eighth sessions (resolutions 36/27, 37/18, 38/9, 39/14, 40/6 and 41/12 and decisions 42/463, 43/463, 44/470, 45/430, 46/442, 47/464, 48/436, 50/444, 51/433, 52/431, 53/426, 54/425, 55/431, 56/450, 57/519 and 58/527).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", decided that, with effect from the fifty-ninth session, the item should remain on the agenda for consideration upon notification by a Member State (resolution 58/316, annex, para. 4 (b)).

No advance documentation is expected.

45. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait

The item entitled "Iraqi aggression and the continued occupation of Kuwait in flagrant violation of the Charter of the United Nations" was included in the agenda of the forty-fifth session of the General Assembly at the request of Kuwait (A/45/233). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-fifth and forty-sixth sessions (decisions 45/459 and 46/475; see also decision 45/455).

At its forty-sixth session, the Assembly decided to retain the item on the agenda of that session under the new title "Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait" and to include it in the provisional agenda of its forty-seventh session (decision 46/475). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-seventh to fifty-eighth sessions (decisions 47/477, 48/506, 49/503, 50/445, 51/434, 52/432, 53/427, 54/426, 55/432, 56/451, 57/520 and 58/514).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", decided that, with effect from the fifty-ninth session, the item should remain on the agenda for consideration upon notification by a Member State (resolution 58/316, annex, para. 4 (b)).

No advance documentation is expected.

51. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects

At its nineteenth session, in February 1965, the General Assembly established the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, which was to undertake a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects, including ways of overcoming the financial difficulties of the United Nations (resolution 2006 (XIX)).

For the current composition of the Special Committee, see A/77/19.

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its twentieth session (resolutions 2053 (XX), 2220 (XXI), 2308 (XXII), 2451 (XXIII), 2576 (XXIV), 2670 (XXV), 2835 (XXVI), 2965 (XXVII), 3091 (XXVIII), 3239 (XXIX), 3457 (XXX), 31/105, 32/106, 33/114, 34/53, 35/121, 36/37, 37/93, 38/31, 39/97, 40/163, 41/67, 42/161, 43/59 A and B, 44/49, 45/75, 46/48, 47/71, 47/72, 48/42, 48/43, 49/37, 50/30, 51/136, 52/69, 53/58, 54/81, 55/135, 56/225 A and B, 57/129, 57/336, 58/315, 59/281, 59/300, 60/263, 60/289, 61/267 A and B, 61/291, 62/273, 63/280, 64/266, 65/310, 66/297, 67/301, 68/277, 69/287, 70/268, 71/314, 72/304, 73/293, 74/277, 75/281, 76/263 and 77/302).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session (resolution 77/302).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations: Supplement No. 19 (A/78/19);
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 77/302).

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References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 48)

Report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations: Supplement No. 19 (A/77/19)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (A/77/573)

Summary records A/C.4/77/SR.18–20, 23 and 28

Report of the Special Political and A/77/401 and A/77/401/Add.1

Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.85

Resolution 77/302

62. Peacebuilding and sustaining peace

At its seventieth session, the General Assembly, under the items entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields" and "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit", decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session an item entitled "Peacebuilding and sustaining peace" (resolution 70/262).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-first session (resolutions 72/7, 72/243, 72/276, 72/283, 73/1 (political declaration adopted at the Nelson Mandela Peace Summit), 75/201, 75/272, 76/299, 76/305 and 77/273 and decisions 72/555, 72/564, 74/564 and 77/571).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly called for a further comprehensive review of United Nations peacebuilding in 2025; requested the Secretary-General to present to the Assembly and the Security Council a detailed report in 2024 in advance of the review; and also requested the Secretary-General to continue to present a report every two years following that review, on continued implementation of the resolutions on peacebuilding and sustaining peace, with due attention to the impact of relevant reforms on the performance of the United Nations system in advancing the implementation of the resolutions on peacebuilding and sustaining peace, and with emphasis on the systematic impact made at the field level, for the consideration of Member States (resolution 75/201).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to include in his regular reports on peacebuilding and sustaining peace an update on the implementation of the resolution, as well as recommendations to further advance efforts to ensure adequate, predictable and sustained financing for peacebuilding (resolution 76/305).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate with the items entitled "Report of the Peacebuilding Commission" and "Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund", where statements were made by 45 delegations, including the former and current Chairs of the Peacebuilding Commission (see A/77/PV.92 and 93). The Assembly decided to include the item in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decision 77/571).

Document for the seventy-ninth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolutions 75/201 and 76/305).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 58)

Draft resolution A/77/L.53

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.60, 92, 93 and 99

Resolution 77/273

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63. The situation in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine

The item entitled "The situation in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine" was included in the agenda of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly at the request of Ukraine (A/73/193). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-third session (decisions 73/567, 74/581, 75/582 and 76/579).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President and 51 delegations (see A/77/PV.88 and 89). At the same session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives", decided to include the item in the agenda of the Assembly until the violations committed as a result of foreign occupation and control of parts of the territory of Ukraine are duly dealt with and the territorial integrity of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders is fully restored (resolution 77/229).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 59)

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.88 and 89

65. Zone of peace, trust and cooperation of Central Asia

At its seventy-sixth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Peacebuilding and sustaining peace", decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-seventh session an item entitled "Zone of peace, trust and cooperation of Central Asia" (resolution 76/299). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its seventy-seventh session (decision 77/572).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by 19 delegations (see A/77/PV.70). The Assembly decided to include the item in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decision 77/572).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 61)

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.70 and 99

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F. Promotion of justice and international law

76. Oceans and the law of the sea

(c) Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Oceans and the law of the sea", decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-eighth session, under the item entitled "Oceans and the law of the sea", a sub-item entitled "Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction" (resolution 77/321).

No advance documentation is expected.

89. Request for an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legal consequences of the separation of the Chagos Archipelago from Mauritius in 1965

The item entitled "Request for an advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legal consequences of the separation of the Chagos Archipelago from Mauritius in 1965" was included in the agenda of the seventy-first session at the request of Mauritius (A/71/142).

The General Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-first session (resolutions 71/292 and 73/295 and decisions 72/571, 74/582, 75/583, 76/580 and 77/573).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and include it in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decision 77/573).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 87)

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.99

Decision 77/573

I. Organizational, administrative and other matters

112. Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund

At its sixtieth session, the General Assembly, under the items entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields" and "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit", requested the Secretary-General to submit an annual report to the Assembly on the operation and activities of the Peacebuilding Fund and decided to include in the draft agenda of its sixty-first session an item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund" (resolution 60/287). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-first session (resolution 63/282 and decision 61/560).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate with the items entitled "Report of the Peacebuilding Commission" and "Peacebuilding and

sustaining peace", where statements were made by 45 delegations, including the former and current Chairs of the Peacebuilding Commission (see A/77/PV.92 and 93).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 60/287).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 114)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/756 and A/77/756/Corr.1

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.92 and 93

113. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations

Article 12, paragraph 1, of the Charter of the United Nations stipulates that, while the Security Council is exercising in respect of any dispute or situation the functions assigned to it in the Charter, the General Assembly shall not make any recommendation with regard to that dispute or situation unless the Council so requests.

Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter and rule 49 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly provide that the Secretary-General, with the consent of the Council, shall notify the Assembly at each session of any matters relative to the maintenance of international peace and security which are being dealt with by the Council and shall similarly notify the Assembly immediately if the Council ceases to deal with such matters.

The Assembly has had the item entitled "Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations" annually since its first session (decisions adopted at its first to thirtieth sessions and decisions 31/401, 32/401, 33/404, 34/406, 35/414, 36/436, 37/410, 38/404, 39/405, 40/416, 41/409, 42/411, 43/415, 44/409, 45/411, 46/408, 47/404, 48/409 A to C, 49/443, 50/458, 51/416, 52/404, 53/407, 54/410, 55/405, 56/405, 57/505, 58/507, 59/505, 60/512, 61/518, 62/510, 63/514, 64/509, 65/509, 66/509, 67/511, 68/513, 69/511, 70/511, 71/554, 72/562, 73/560, 74/575, 75/567, 76/566 and 77/560).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly took note of the communication from the Secretary-General (decision 77/560).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Note by the Secretary-General.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 115)

Note by the Secretary-General A/77/300

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.86

Decision 77/560

116. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, established by the Assembly in 1946 (resolution 14 A (I)), acts in an advisory capacity to the Assembly and makes recommendations to it on the United Nations budget and related

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matters and on the administrative budgets of the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency. Details on the appointment, membership and functions of the Advisory Committee can be found in rules 155 to 157 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly.

At its seventy-fourth session, the Assembly decided that the seats should be distributed as follows among regional groups (resolution 74/267):

- (a) Five from African States;
- (b) Five from Asia-Pacific States;
- (c) Three from Eastern European States;
- (d) Four from Latin American and Caribbean States;
- (e) Four from Western European and other States.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly appointed or reappointed six members of the Advisory Committee for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2023 and ending on 31 December 2025. To fill two vacancies resulting from resignations, the Assembly also appointed one member for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2023 and ending on 31 December 2023 and another member for a term of office beginning on 15 November 2022 and ending on 31 December 2023 (decision 77/408 A).

To fill a vacancy resulting from a resignation, the Assembly also appointed one member for a term of office beginning on 31 July 2023 and ending on 31 December 2025 (decision 77/408 B).

As a result, as from 31 July 2023, the Advisory Committee is composed as follows: Surendra Kumar Adhana (India),* Yves Éric Ahoussoughemey (Benin),** Amjad Qaid Al Kumaim (Yemen),** Makiese Kinkela Augusto (Angola),** Abdallah Bachar Bong (Chad),* Feliksas Bakanauskas (Lithuania),* Sharon Brennen-Haylock (Bahamas),** Jakub Chmielewski (Poland),** Udo Fenchel (Germany),*** Olivio Fermín (Dominican Republic),*** Carlo Jacobucci (Italy),*** Ji Haojun (China),*** Nabil Kalkoul (Algeria),* Evgeny Kalugin (Russian Federation),* Julia A. Maciel (Paraguay),* Matsuda Yukiko (Japan),*** Caroline Nalwanga (Uganda),* Juliana Gaspar Ruas (Brazil),* Stephani Scheer (United States of America),* Cihan Terzi (Türkiye)* and Minhong Yi (Republic of Korea).***

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly will need to fill the vacancies that will arise upon the expiry of the terms of office of Mr. Adhana, Mr. Bachar Bong, Mr. Bakanauskas, Mr. Kalkoul, Mr. Kalugin, Ms. Maciel, Ms. Nalwanga, Ms. Ruas, Ms. Scheer and Mr. Terzi.

Documents for the seventy-seventh session: Note by the Secretary-General (A/78/101).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 118 (a))

Notes by the Secretary-General A/77/101/Rev.1, A/77/101/Rev.1/Add.1,

A/77/101/Rev.1/Add.2, A/77/101/Rev.1/Add.3

and A/C.5/77/5

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.11 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/567 and A/77/567/Add.1

^{*} Term of office expires on 31 December 2023.

^{**} Term of office expires on 31 December 2024.

^{***} Term of office expires on 31 December 2025.

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.34 and PV.87

Decisions 77/408 A and B

(g) Appointment of members of the Board of the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns

At its sixty-seventh session, the General Assembly, under the sub-item entitled "Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development" of the item entitled "Sustainable development", decided to establish a 10-member board of the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production Patterns, consisting of 2 members from each United Nations regional group, and to nominate, no later than 31 January 2013, the members of the board for an initial two-year term (resolution 67/203); decided that the members of the Board, as nominated by the five regional groups of the United Nations, would serve for an initial term of two years, effective 16 September 2013; and also decided that regional groups would be authorized to nominate new members of the Board after the completion of the initial two-year term of the board, or in the event of the resignation of a member of the Board, and for subsequent terms, upon notification of the President of the Assembly and the Board by the relevant regional group (decision 67/564).

At its sixty-ninth session, the Assembly, under the same sub-item, decided that the duration of subsequent terms for members of the Board would continue to be two years, starting on 16 September of every second year, and that the United Nations regional groups could renominate one of their existing two members of the Board for one consecutive term, while ensuring that no Member State would be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms and taking into account the importance of ensuring continuity and rotation in the work of the Board (resolution 69/214).

At its seventieth session, the Assembly, under the same sub-item, decided that the members of the Board, as nominated by the five regional groups of the United Nations, would serve until 15 September 2017 (decision 70/411).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-first session (decisions 71/561, 72/416, 73/423, 73/569, 74/414 A and B, 75/414 and 76/418 A and B).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly decided that the two-year term of the members of the Board should begin on 15 March 2022, taking into account resolution 69/214 (decision 76/418 A).

At the same session, the Assembly appointed Costa Rica, Croatia, Kuwait, Mauritius, Senegal, Sweden and the United States of America as members of the Board for a term beginning on 15 March 2022 and ending on 14 March 2024, Pakistan for a term beginning on 18 March 2022 and ending on 14 March 2024 and Brazil for a term beginning on 10 May 2022 and ending on 14 March 2024 (decision 76/418 B).

At present, the Board is composed of the following Member States: 1 Brazil,* Costa Rica,* Croatia,* Kuwait,* Mauritius,* Pakistan,* Senegal,* Sweden* and United States of America.*

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^{*} Term of office expires on 14 March 2024.

¹ Mauritius is serving its second consecutive term. One vacancy for a member from the Eastern European States remains to be filled for a term of office beginning on the date of appointment and expiring on 14 March 2024.

At its seventy-eighth session, the Assembly will need to fill the remaining vacancy and 10 vacancies for a term beginning on 15 March 2024 and ending on 14 March 2026.

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-sixth session (agenda item 117 (h))

Plenary meetings A/76/PV.61, 62 and 71

Decisions 76/418 A and B

117. Admission of new Members to the United Nations

The question of the admission of new Members to the United Nations is governed, inter alia, by Article 4 of the Charter of the United Nations, rules 58 to 60 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council and rules 134 to 138 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. In accordance with Article 4, paragraph 2, of the Charter, the admission of new Members is effected by a decision of the Assembly upon the recommendation of the Security Council. Under rule 83 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly, a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting is required for the admission of new Members.

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its second to fourth, sixth to thirteenth and fifteenth to twenty-third sessions and has had it on its agenda annually since its twenty-fifth session (resolutions 113 A to H (II), 197 A to I (III), 296 A to K (IV), 506 A and B (VI), 620 A to G (VII), 718 (VIII), 817 (IX), 918 (X), 995 (X), 1017 A and B (XI), 1110 (XI) to 1113 (XI), 1118 (XI), 1134 (XII), 1144 A and B (XII), 1325 (XIII), 1476 (XV) to 1492 (XV), 1602 (XV), 1623 (XVI), 1630 (XVI), 1631 (XVI), 1667 (XVI), 1748 (XVII) to 1751 (XVII), 1754 (XVII), 1758 (XVII), 1975 (XVIII), 1976 (XVIII), 2008 (XX) to 2010 (XX), 2133 (XXI), 2136 (XXI), 2137 (XXI), 2175 (XXI), 2310 (XXII), 2371 (XXII), 2376 (XXIII), 2384 (XXIII), 2622 (XXV), 2751 (XXVI) to 2754 (XXVI), 2794 (XXVI), 2937 (XXVII), 2938 (XXVII), 3050 (XXVIII), 3051 (XXVIII), 3203 (XXIX) to 3205 (XXIX), 3363 (XXX) to 3366 (XXX), 3368 (XXX), 3385 (XXX), 3413 (XXX), 31/1, 31/21, 31/44, 31/104, 32/1, 32/2, 33/1, 33/107, 34/1, 35/1, 36/1, 36/3, 36/26, 38/1, 39/1, 45/1, 46/1 to 46/6, 46/223 to 46/231, 46/236 to 46/238, 46/241, 47/221, 47/222, 47/225, 47/230 to 47/232, 49/63, 54/1 to 54/3, 55/1, 55/12, 57/1, 57/3, 60/264 and 65/308 and a decision adopted at the thirtieth session).

At present, no documents have been circulated under this item.

A list of the Member States, which now number 193, with an indication of the date on which they were admitted to membership in the United Nations, is available on the United Nations website (www.un.org).

120. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations

The item entitled "Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations" was included in the agenda of the thirty-seventh session of the General Assembly at the request of Cyprus (A/37/245). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its thirty-seventh session (resolutions 65/265, 66/11 and 74/306 and decisions 37/457, 38/459, 39/465, 40/470, 41/470, 42/402, 43/421, 44/458, 45/454, 46/444, 47/466, 48/438, 49/474, 50/457, 51/435, 52/433, 53/428, 54/427, 55/433, 56/452, 57/521, 58/513, 59/509, 60/510, 61/508, 62/520, 63/507, 64/524, 70/565, 71/562, 72/572, 73/570, 74/583, 75/585, 76/581 and 77/574).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly", where statements were made by the President and 25 delegations (see A/77/PV.30). The Assembly decided to include the item in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decision 77/574).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 123)

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.30 (jointly with item 124) and 99

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121. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

At its forty-fifth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations", decided to include in the draft agenda of the forty-sixth session the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly" (decision 45/461). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its forty-sixth to forty-eighth and fifty-second sessions and has had the item on its agenda annually since its fifty-third session (resolutions 46/77, 47/233, 48/264, 55/285, 56/509, 57/301, 58/126, 58/316, 61/292, 62/276, 63/309, 64/301, 65/315, 66/294, 67/297, 68/307, 69/321, 70/305, 71/323, 72/313, 73/341, 74/303, 75/325 and 77/335 and decisions 52/479, 53/491, 54/491, 74/537 A and B, 75/510, 75/548 A and B, 76/519, 76/523, 76/525, 76/537, 76/545,76/546 and 77/538 A and B).

At its fifty-eighth session, the Assembly decided that, in July of each year, the General Committee would conduct a review of the proposed programme of work for the forthcoming session of the Assembly, on the basis of a report submitted by the Secretary-General, and submit recommendations on the matter to the Assembly at its forthcoming session; and that the report would include information on the status of documentation to be issued during the forthcoming session (resolution 58/316).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with the item entitled "Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations", where statements were made by the President and 25 delegations (see A/77/PV.30).

At the same session, the Assembly decided to establish, at its seventy-eighth and seventy-ninth sessions, in accordance with the biennialized format agreed in resolution 75/325, an ad hoc working group on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, open to all Member States, (a) to identify further ways to enhance the role, authority, effectiveness and efficiency of the Assembly, inter alia, by building on the progress achieved in past sessions as well as on previous resolutions, including evaluating the status of their implementation, with the primary focus on: (i) during the seventy-eighth session: role and authority of the Assembly, and working methods; and (ii) during the seventy-ninth session: strengthening the accountability, transparency and institutional memory of the Office of the President of the Assembly and selection and appointment of the Secretary-General and other executive heads; (b) to also place the primary focus on implementation of the resolution during the seventy-eighth session, and to submit a report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-ninth session; and (c) to consider the next resolution during the seventy-ninth session and biennially thereafter; decided that the ad hoc working group should continue its review of the inventory of Assembly resolutions on revitalization annexed to the report of the ad hoc working group submitted at the seventy-seventh session and, as a result, continue to update the inventory to be attached to the reports to be submitted at the seventy-eighth

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and seventy-ninth sessions of the Assembly, including the separate indication of relevant provisions that were not implemented, with reasons, and therefore invited each Main Committee to further discuss its working methods, as appropriate, under the agenda item on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly earlier at the seventy-eighth and seventy-ninth sessions, including the possibility of holding substantive and interactive dialogues; requested the General Committee, while exercising its functions under rule 40 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly, and within its mandate, to discuss gaps, overlaps and duplication and make recommendations annually to the Assembly for its consideration; requested the Secretary-General, during the seventy-eighth session of the Assembly, to assess and report on executable options for consideration by the Assembly on making available to all Member States the bulk registration of participants in official conferences and meetings of the United Nations, without prejudice to the current available option in this regard; requested a briefing by the Secretariat at the seventy-eighth session assessing the impact of the entry into effect of the earlier start date of the Assembly at the seventy-eighth session, and on the expected impact of possibly moving the start date to late August, and decided to discuss during the seventy-ninth session options regarding an earlier start date of the regular session; decided to further assess during the seventy-ninth session of the Assembly the selection and appointment process of the Secretary-General, to consolidate the advances gained in the relevant Assembly resolutions and to explore possible steps to improve future processes, including the collaboration between the Assembly and the Security Council, consistent with Article 97 of the Charter; decided to discuss, at its seventy-ninth session, questions related to the term assigned to the President of the Assembly and the financial and logistical implications thereof; and requested the Secretariat to issue, during the seventy-ninth session, within existing resources, in coordination with the Office of the President of the Assembly, a compendium of best practices of past Presidents that could serve to contribute to strengthening the institutional memory of the Office (resolution 77/335).

Since its sixtieth session, pursuant to resolution 58/316 and in order to facilitate the work of the Main Committees, the Assembly has decided annually, on the recommendation of the General Committee, to allocate the item to all the Main Committees for the purpose of discussing their working methods, as well as considering and taking action on their respective tentative programmes of work. Accordingly, at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly approved the provisional programme of work and timetable of the First Committee for 2023 (decision 77/519); the proposed programme of work and timetable of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (decision 77/534); the draft programmes of work of the Second Committee (decision 77/539) and the Third Committee (decision 77/544); and the provisional programme of work of the Sixth Committee (decision 77/521) for the seventy-eighth session of the Assembly. At the same session, the Assembly decided that the Bureau of the Second Committee would convene informal dialogues to discuss the revitalization of the work of the Committee in the first months of 2023 and that the Second Committee would convene a plenary meeting following those dialogues to take stock of the deliberations and, as appropriate, take action on any recommendations, for subsequent approval by the Assembly, to allow any change to come into effect ahead of the seventy-eighth session (decision 77/538).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General (resolutions 58/316 and 77/335);
- (b) Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly (resolution 77/335).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 124)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/900 and A/77/900/Add.1

Report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on A/77/942

the Revitalization of the Work of the

General Assembly

Report of the First Committee A/77/395

Report of the Special Political and A/77/409

Decolonization Committee (Fourth

Report of the Sixth Committee

Committee)

Report of the Second Committee A/77/451 and A/77/451/Add.1

Report of the Third Committee A/77/467

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.30 (jointly with item 123), 46,

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Resolution 77/335

Decisions 77/519, 77/521, 77/534, 77/538 A and B,

77/539 and 77/544

122. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council

The item entitled "Question of equitable representation on the Security Council and the Economic and Social Council" was included in the agenda of the eighteenth session of the General Assembly at the request of Afghanistan, Algeria, Burma, Cambodia, Cameroon, Ceylon, Congo (Brazzaville), Congo (Leopoldville), Cyprus, Dahomey, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ivory Coast, Japan, Kuwait, Laos, Liberia, Libya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Tanganyika, Thailand, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Republic, Upper Volta and Yemen (A/5520 and A/5520/Corr.1). At its eighteenth session, the Assembly decided to adopt, in accordance with Article 108 of the Charter of the United Nations, amendments to the Charter and to submit them for ratification by the States Members of the United Nations (resolution 1991 A (XVIII)).

The item entitled "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council" was included in the agenda of the thirty-fourth session of the Assembly at the request of Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Guyana, India, Maldives, Nepal, Nigeria and Sri Lanka (A/34/246). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-fourth to forty-eighth sessions (resolutions 47/62 and 48/26 and decisions 34/431, 35/453, 36/460, 37/450, 38/454, 39/455, 40/460, 41/469, 42/459, 43/458, 44/460, 45/421, 46/418 and 48/498).

At its forty-eighth session, the Assembly decided to establish an Open-ended Working Group to consider all aspects of the question of increase in the membership of the Security Council, and other matters related to the Security Council, and to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-ninth session an item entitled "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council

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and related matters" (resolution 48/26). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda (the title later changed to "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council") annually since its forty-ninth session (resolution 53/30 and decisions 49/499, 50/489, 51/476, 52/490, 53/487, 54/488, 55/503, 56/477, 57/591, 58/572, 59/566, 60/568, 61/561, 62/557, 63/565 A and B, 64/568, 65/554, 66/566, 67/561, 68/557, 69/560, 70/559, 71/553, 72/557, 73/554, 74/569, 75/569, 76/572 and 77/559).

At its fifty-third session, the Assembly determined not to adopt any resolution or decision on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters, without the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the Members of the General Assembly (resolution 53/30).

At its sixty-second session, the Assembly decided to commence intergovernmental negotiations in informal plenary of the Assembly during its sixty-third session, based on proposals by Member States, in good faith, with mutual respect and in an open, inclusive and transparent manner, on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council, seeking a solution that could garner the widest possible political acceptance by Member States (decision 62/557).

At its sixty-third session, the Assembly decided to convene the Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council during the sixty-fourth session of the Assembly if Member States so decide; to include in the agenda of the sixty-fourth session of the Assembly an item entitled "Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council" (decision 63/565 A); and to immediately continue intergovernmental negotiations on Security Council reform in informal plenary of the Assembly at its sixty-fourth session as mandated by Assembly decision 62/557 (decision 63/565 B).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the President and 75 delegations (see A/77/PV.36 to 38) and decided to immediately continue intergovernmental negotiations on Security Council reform in informal plenary of the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session, building on the informal meetings held during its seventy-seventh session, as reflected in the letter dated 2 June 2023 from the Co-Chairs, and on the document entitled "Revised Co-Chairs' elements paper on convergences and divergences on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters", circulated on 5 June 2023, as well as the positions of and proposals made by Member States, reflected in the text and its annex circulated on 31 July 2015, to help to inform its future work; convene the Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council during the seventy-eighth session of the Assembly, if Member States so decide; and include the item in the agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decision 77/559).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 125)

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.36 to 38 and 85

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123. Strengthening of the United Nations system

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At its forty-ninth session, under the item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization", the General Assembly decided to include an item entitled "Strengthening of the United Nations system" in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session (resolution 49/252). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its fiftieth session (resolutions 51/241, 52/232, 53/224, 55/14, 55/285, 57/300, 58/269, 58/314, 58/317, 61/256, 61/257, 65/94, 65/276, 66/255, 68/306, 69/320, 70/3, 70/6, 71/278, 72/199, 73/5, 73/257, 73/286, 73/299, 74/267, 74/270, 74/274, 74/307, 75/1, 75/4, 75/17, 76/6, 76/262, 76/306, 76/307, 77/319 and 77/336 and decisions 50/491, 52/453, 53/452, 54/490, 56/455, 56/479, 57/587, 60/565, 71/563, 72/573, 75/505, 77/557 and 77/568; see also decision 64/503 B).

At its seventy-fourth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to coordinate and follow up on the various relevant initiatives related to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic and to report to the Assembly on the implementation of the resolution in a timely manner (resolution 74/307).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to inform Member States and to engage in broad and inclusive consultations with them, all parts of the United Nations system and other relevant partners on his proposals in the report for follow-up action to accelerate the full and timely implementation of the agreed frameworks mentioned in the resolution in a comprehensive and integrated manner, and to provide regular updates to Member States, and called upon the President of the Assembly to initiate, under his overall guidance, a process of follow-up to enable all Member States to begin inclusive intergovernmental consideration of the various proposals, options and potential means of implementation and on ways to take them forward, in collaboration with all relevant partners through broad and inclusive consultations (resolution 76/6).

At the same session, the Assembly decided that the Summit of the Future would be held on 22 and 23 September 2024, in New York, preceded by a preparatory ministerial meeting to be held on 18 September 2023 (resolution 76/307).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a joint debate, with the items entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields", "Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit" and "Central role of the United Nations system in global governance", where statements were made by three delegations (see A/77/PV.16).

At the same session, the Assembly decided that the remainder of the intergovernmental preparatory process of the Summit should consist of consultations to determine the topics and organization of the interactive dialogues and negotiations to conclude the outcome document with adequate time for the negotiating sessions (decision 77/568).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 126 (a))

 Draft decisions
 A/77/L.63 and A/77/L.109

 Draft resolutions
 A/77/L.88 and A/77/L.105

 Plenary meetings
 A/77/PV.16, 66, 94 and 99

 Decisions
 77/557 and 77/568

 Resolutions
 77/319 and 77/336

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126. Global health and foreign policy

At its sixty-third session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields", decided to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fourth session an item entitled "Global health and foreign policy" (resolution 63/33). The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-fourth session (resolutions 64/108, 65/95, 66/115, 67/81, 68/98, 69/1, 69/131, 69/132, 70/183, 70/297, 71/3 (political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on antimicrobial resistance), 71/159, 72/138, 72/139, 72/268, 73/3 (political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the fight against tuberculosis), 73/131, 73/132, 74/2 (political declaration of the high-level meeting on universal health coverage), 74/20, 75/27, 75/130, 75/131, 76/257, 76/301, 76/302, 77/274, 77/275 and 77/300 and decisions 72/560, 72/565 and 77/562 to 77/564).

At its seventy-fourth session, the Assembly decided to convene a high-level meeting on universal health coverage in 2023 in New York, aimed at undertaking a comprehensive review on the implementation of the political declaration of the high-level meeting on universal health coverage, to identify gaps and solutions to accelerate progress towards the achievement of universal health coverage by 2030; and requested the Secretary-General to provide, in consultation with the World Health Organization and other relevant agencies, a report including recommendations on the implementation of the declaration towards achieving universal health coverage during the seventy-seventh session of the Assembly, which would serve to inform the high-level meeting to be convened in 2023 (resolution 74/2).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly invited the Secretary-General to inform the Assembly about the implementation of the United Nations Decade of Healthy Ageing (2021–2030), on the basis of the triennial reports to be compiled by the World Health Organization in 2023, 2026 and 2029 (resolution 75/131).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided that the high-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis to be convened by the President of the General Assembly, held on 22 September 2023, should approve a concise and action-oriented political declaration, agreed in advance by consensus through intergovernmental negotiations, to be submitted by the President of the Assembly for adoption by the Assembly; and requested the Secretary-General, with the support of the World Health Organization, to submit a follow-up comprehensive and analytical report on progress achieved and challenges remaining in realizing tuberculosis goals within the context of achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including on the progress and implementation of the 2018 political declaration of the high-level meeting of the Assembly on the fight against tuberculosis, which would serve to inform the preparations for a comprehensive review by Heads of State and Government at the high-level meeting in 2023 (resolution 77/274).

At the same session, the Assembly decided that the high-level meeting on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response to be convened by the President of the Assembly on 20 September 2023 should approve a concise and action-oriented political declaration on, inter alia, mobilizing political will at the national, regional and international levels for pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, agreed in advance by consensus through intergovernmental negotiations, informed by and aligned with the work of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body and of the Working Group on Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005), to be submitted by the President of the Assembly for adoption by the Assembly (resolution 77/275).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to provide, in consultation with Member States and in close collaboration with the World Health Organization, other relevant agencies and relevant stakeholders, during the eightieth session of the Assembly, a progress report on the implementation of the resolution entitled "Mental health and psychosocial support" (resolution 77/300).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 75/131).

Document for the eightieth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 77/300).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 128)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/876

Notes by the Secretary-General A/77/527 and A/77/529

Draft resolutions A/77/L.51, A/77/L.54 and A/77/L.77

Draft amendments A/77/L.55 and A/77/L.56

Draft decisions A/77/L.77 and L.85 to L.87

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.60, 84 and 94

Decisions 77/562 to 77/564

Resolutions 77/274, 77/275 and 77/300

129. Sexual exploitation and abuse: implementing a zero-tolerance policy

At its seventy-first session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Strengthening of the United Nations system", decided to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-second session an item entitled "Sexual exploitation and abuse: implementing a zero-tolerance policy" (resolution 71/278). The Assembly has had the item annually on its agenda since its seventy-second session (resolutions 72/312, 73/302, 75/321, 76/303, 77/7 and 77/333).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where a statement was made by one delegation (see A/77/PV.96). The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to submit annual reports, pursuant to resolution 57/306, on special measures for protection from sexual exploitation and abuse, including on progress made in implementing a zero-tolerance policy within the United Nations system and information on the impact of coronavirus disease (COVID-19), as well as on emerging best practices and lessons learned, for consideration by the Assembly under the item, in line with existing mandates and procedures (resolution 77/333).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 77/333).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 131)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/748

Draft resolutions A/77/L.8 and 98

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.30 and 96

Resolutions 77/7 and 77/333

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130. The responsibility to protect and the prevention of genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity

The item entitled "The responsibility to protect and the prevention of genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity" was included in the agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly at the request of Australia and Ghana (A/72/192). The item was included in the agenda of the seventy-third session of the Assembly at the request of Afghanistan, Denmark, Guatemala, Japan, the Netherlands, Romania, Rwanda, Ukraine and Uruguay (A/73/192).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its seventy-second session (resolution 75/277 and decisions 73/572 and 74/584).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly decided to include the item in its annual agenda and requested the Secretary-General to report annually to the Assembly on the responsibility to protect and the prevention of genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity (resolution 75/277).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate where statements were made by the Secretary-General and 69 delegations (see A/77/PV.83, 84 and 87).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 75/277).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 132)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/910

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.83, 84 and 87

131. Report of the United Nations Youth Office

At its seventy-sixth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Strengthening of the United Nations system", decided to include in the draft agenda of its seventy-seventh session, and of subsequent sessions, an item entitled "Report of the United Nations Youth Office" and requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly an annual report on the activities of the Office for its consideration under this item in plenary meeting (resolution 76/306).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the item in a debate, where statements were made by 17 delegations (see A/77/PV.94).

Document for the seventy-eighth session: Report of the Secretary-General (resolution 76/306).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 134)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/955

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.94

132. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors

- (a) United Nations
- (b) United Nations peacekeeping operations
- (c) International Trade Centre
- (d) United Nations University
- (e) United Nations Development Programme
- (f) United Nations Capital Development Fund
- (g) United Nations Children's Fund
- (h) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
- (i) United Nations Institute for Training and Research
- (j) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- (k) Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme
- (1) United Nations Population Fund
- (m) United Nations Human Settlements Programme
- (n) United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
- (o) United Nations Office for Project Services
- (p) United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)
- (q) International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals
- (r) United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

The Board of Auditors transmits to the General Assembly the audited financial statements for the relevant financial periods of the various accounts of the United Nations and other funds and programmes for which the Board has audit responsibility. Under the provisions of article VII of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations and the annex thereto, the Board submits reports to the Assembly on the results of its audits and issues opinions as to whether the financial statements properly reflect the recorded transactions, whether those transactions were in accordance with the Financial Regulations and legislative authority, and whether the financial statements present fairly the financial position as at the end of the financial period of each of the activities reported on, in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards. The reports of the Board are commented upon by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, which also submits its reports thereon to the Assembly.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly considered the financial reports and audited financial statements and the reports of the Board of Auditors, as well as the reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board contained in its reports on the United Nations and on the United Nations funds and programmes, for the year ended 31 December 2021 and for the 12-month period ended 30 June 2022 concerning United Nations peacekeeping operations; (resolutions 77/253 A and B).

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At the same session, while commending the Board of Auditors for the continued high-quality production and streamlined format of its reports, the Assembly took note of the audit opinions and findings and endorsed the recommendations contained in the reports of the Board, as well as in the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions. Similarly, the Assembly took note of the reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors and considered the note by the Secretary-General drawing attention to the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Review of the management of implementing partners in the United Nations system organizations" (resolutions 77/253 A and B).

Also at the same session, the Assembly noted the Board's recommendations contained in its report A/77/5 (Vol. II) regarding risk management, including recommendations 75 and 76, and affirmed that the implementation of the said recommendations, pertaining to enterprise risk management, is not construed to encompass or applies to the operational and tactical-level decision-making of uniformed components, which is guided by extant doctrine, policies and processes, as currently established for peacekeeping, and that the implementation of these recommendations does not negate resolutions of the General Assembly regarding the safety and security of United Nations peacekeepers (resolution 77/253 B).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly noted the findings of the Board of Auditors regarding the accumulated surplus in the peacekeeping cost-recovery fund and requested the Secretary-General to present in his next budget reports, both for regular and peacekeeping budgets, detailed information on this question (resolutions 77/253 A and B)

At the same session, the Assembly reiterated its request to the Secretary-General and the executive heads of the funds and programmes of the United Nations to ensure the full implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors and the related recommendations of the Advisory Committee in a prompt and timely manner, to continue to hold programme managers accountable for the non-implementation of recommendations and to effectively address the root causes. The Assembly reiterated its request to the Secretary-General to provide reports on the implementation of the recommendations, including a full explanation for the delays in the implementation of the recommendations, in particular those that were two or more years old, the root causes of the recurring issues and the measures to be taken, and to indicate in future reports an expected time frame for the implementation of the recommendations, as well as the priorities for their implementation and the office holders to be held accountable and measures taken in that regard (resolutions 77/253 A and B).

Also at the same session, the Assembly decided to consider further two reports of the Board of Auditors: (a) on the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals; and (b) on the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund under the agenda items relating to the Mechanism and the Pension Fund, respectively (resolution 77/253 A).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Financial reports and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and reports of the Board of Auditors on:
 - (i) United Nations: Supplement No. 5 (A/78/5 (Vol. I));²
 - (ii) International Trade Centre: Supplement No. 5 (A/78/5 (Vol. III));

² Report includes information on the status of implementation of outstanding recommendations relating to the Umoja system, strategic heritage plan, information and communications technology strategy and the capital master plan.

- (iii) United Nations University: Supplement No. 5 (A/78/5 (Vol. IV));
- (iv) United Nations Development Programme: Supplement No. 5A (A/78/5/Add.1);
- (v) United Nations Capital Development Fund: Supplement No. 5B (A/78/5/Add.2);
- (vi) United Nations Children's Fund: Supplement No. 5C (A/78/5/Add.3);
- (vii) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: Supplement No. 5D (A/78/5/Add.4);
- (viii) United Nations Institute for Training and Research: Supplement No. 5E (A/78/5/Add.5);
- (ix) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: Supplement No. 5F (A/78/5/Add.6);
- (x) Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme: Supplement No. 5G (A/78/5/Add.7);
- (xi) United Nations Population Fund: Supplement No. 5H (A/78/5/Add.8);
- (xii) United Nations Human Settlements Programme: Supplement No. 5I (A/78/5/Add.9);
- (xiii) United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime: Supplement No. 5J (A/78/5/Add.10);
- (xiv) United Nations Office for Project Services: Supplement No. 5K (A/78/5/Add.11);
- (xv) United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women: Supplement No. 5L (A/78/5/Add.12);
- (xvi) International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: Supplement No. 50 (A/78/5/Add.15);
- (xvii) United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: Supplement No. 5P (A/78/5/Add.16);
- (b) Financial report and audited financial statements for the 12-month period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 and report of the Board of Auditors on United Nations peacekeeping operations: Supplement No. 5 (A/78/5 (Vol. II));
- (c) Reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its reports on (resolution 48/216 B):
 - (i) United Nations for the year ended 31 December 2022;
 - (ii) Peacekeeping operations for the 12-month financial period ended 30 June 2023;
 - (iii) United Nations funds and programmes for the year ended 31 December 2022;
- (d) Report of the Secretary of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its report for the year ended 31 December 2022;

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- (e) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting a concise summary of the principal findings and conclusions contained in the reports of the Board of Auditors for the annual financial period 2022;
- (f) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on:
 - (i) Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2022;
 - (ii) Report of the Board of Auditors on the accounts of the United Nations peacekeeping operations and report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors concerning United Nations peacekeeping operations for the 12-month financial period ended 30 June 2023.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 135)

Financial reports and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 and reports of the Board of Auditors on:

United Nations: Supplement No. 5 (A/77/5 (Vol. I))

International Trade Centre: Supplement No. 5 (A/77/5 (Vol. III))

United Nations University: Supplement No. 5 (A/77/5 (Vol. IV))

United Nations Development Programme: Supplement No. 5A (A/77/5/Add.1)

United Nations Capital Development Fund: Supplement No. 5B (A/77/5/Add.2)

United Nations Children's Fund: Supplement No. 5C (A/77/5/Add.3)

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: Supplement No. 5D (A/77/5/Add.4)

United Nations Institute for Training and Research: Supplement No. 5E (A/77/5/Add.5)

Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: Supplement No. 5F (A/77/5/Add.6)

Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme: Supplement No. 5G (A/77/5/Add.7)

United Nations Population Fund: Supplement No. 5H (A/77/5/Add.8)

United Nations Human Settlements Programme: Supplement No. 5I (A/77/5/Add.9)

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime: Supplement No. 5J (A/77/5/Add.10)

United Nations Office for Project Services: Supplement No. 5K (A/77/5/Add.11)

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women: Supplement No. 5L (A/77/5/Add.12)

International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: Supplement No. 50 (A/77/5/Add.15)

United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: Supplement No. 5P (A/77/5/Add.16)

Financial report and audited financial statements for the 12-month period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 and report of the Board of Auditors on United Nations peacekeeping operations: Supplement No. 5 (A/77/5 (Vol. II))

Reports of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its reports on (resolution 48/216 B):

United Nations for the year ended 31 December 2021 (A/77/322)

United Nations funds and programmes for the year ended 31 December 2021 (A/77/322/Add.1)

Peacekeeping operations for the 12-month financial period ended 30 June 2022 (A/77/766)

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting:

The report of the Board of Auditors on the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva (A/77/94)

Eleventh and final annual progress report of the Board of Auditors on the implementation of the United Nations enterprise resource planning system (A/77/135)

Concise summary of the principal findings and conclusions contained in the reports of the Board of Auditors for the annual financial period 2021 (A/77/240)

Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on:

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2021 (A/77/574)

Report of the Board of Auditors on the accounts of the United Nations peacekeeping operations and report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors concerning United Nations peacekeeping operations for the financial period ended 30 June 2022 (A/77/802)

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.16 and SR.25/Add.1

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/658

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.56 (Resumption 1)

Resolutions 77/253 A and B

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

At its seventy-second session, the General Assembly approved the proposed change from a biennial to an annual budget period on a trial basis, beginning with the programme budget for 2020. The Assembly decided that the proposed programme budget document would consist of three parts: (a) part I: the plan outline, which endorses the long-term priorities and the objectives of the Organization; (b) part II: the programme plan for programmes and subprogrammes and programme performance information; and (c) part III: the post and non-post resource requirements for the programmes and subprogrammes. It also decided that parts I and II should be submitted through the Committee for Programme and Coordination and part III through the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for the

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consideration of the Assembly. The Assembly reiterated that the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Advisory Committee should examine the proposed programme budget in accordance with their respective mandates and, preserving the sequential nature of the review processes, submit their conclusions and recommendations to the Assembly for the final approval of the programme budget, and requested the Secretary-General to assess the impact of the changes to the budgetary cycle on the work of the relevant subsidiary bodies of the Assembly (resolution 72/266 A).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly lifted the trial period effective from 2023 and requested the Secretary-General to continue with the submission of the programme budget according to an annual cycle. At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to conduct a comprehensive review on the annual cycle, including its financial, administrative and procedural impact, its impact on the implementation of mandates across sections of the programme budget and the workload and the associated costs, and to submit a report for consideration by the Assembly at the main part of its eighty-third session, in 2028. The Assembly welcomed the submission of the proposed programme plan and programme performance alongside the proposed post and non-post resource requirements in a single document (resolution 77/267).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to include in his next progress report on accountability: strengthening accountability in the United Nations Secretariat updates on matters such as strengthening the implementation of results-based management, clarifying the relationship between Headquarters and field locations during the establishment of missions and during periods of mission transition, regarding the delegation of authority and the continued inclusion in the senior managers' compacts of a managerial indicator related to the timely submission of documents. The Assembly also trusted that the next progress report would include information on the Organization's use of a common definition of accountability in the United Nations Secretariat (resolution 77/280).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Thirteenth progress report of the Secretary-General on the accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat (resolutions 70/255 and 77/280);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 136)

Twelfth progress report of the Secretary-General on accountability: strengthening accountability in the United Nations Secretariat (A/77/692)

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/77/743)

Review of the changes to the budgetary cycle (A/77/485 and A/77/485/Corr.1)

Twenty-first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for 2023 (A/77/7/Add.20)

134. Programme budget for 2023

In the main part of its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly approved the annual proposed programme budget for 2023 and an appropriation of \$3,396,308,300 for 2023 and income estimates of \$321,949,500 (resolutions 77/264 A–C).

At the same session, the Assembly decided that a vacancy rate of 12.4 per cent for Professional staff and 10.2 per cent for General Service staff should be used as a basis for the calculation for 2023 and requested the Secretary-General to fill vacant positions expeditiously. The Assembly also decided that the total number of staff for 2023 should be limited to 10,199 (resolution 77/262).

Also at the same session, the Assembly approved the establishment of the United Nations Youth Office (resolution 77/263 A, sect. XIII), and the conversion to regular budget funding of the Office of the United Nations Special Coordinator on Improving the United Nations Response to Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (resolution 77/262).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly approved the establishment of the Independent Institution on Missing Persons in the Syrian Arab Republic (resolution 77/301). The Institution will become operational in 2024.

At the same session, in its resolution 77/3, the Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on two Ukraine initiatives: the memorandum of understanding on trade facilitation and the Black Sea Grain Initiative, approved the budgetary requirements for 2022 (resolution 77/3). At the same session, the Assembly approved additional resource requirements for the continuation of United Nations activities to mitigate global food insecurity and its humanitarian impact in 2023 (resolution 77/263 A, sect. I).

Also at the same session, the Assembly decided to defer until the main part of its seventy-eighth session consideration of the report of the Secretary-General on: (a) the capital investment planning; (b) the conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials: members of the International Court of Justice and President and judges of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals; (c) the progress on the functioning and development of the Umoja system and the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the eleventh and final annual progress report of the Board of Auditors on the implementation of the United Nations enterprise resource planning system; and (d) the information and communications technology strategy, the note by the Secretary-General drawing attention to the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Cybersecurity in the United Nations system organizations" and the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Cybersecurity in the United Nations system organizations" (decision 77/548 A).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session: Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 77/262 and 77/263 A and decision 77/548 A).

135. Proposed programme budget for 2024

At its seventy-second session, the General Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on shifting the management paradigm in the United Nations: improving and streamlining the programme planning and budgeting process, approved the proposed change from a biennial to an annual budget period on a trial basis, beginning with the programme budget for 2020, and requested the Secretary-General to conduct a review of changes to the budgetary cycle in 2022, following the completion of the first full budgetary cycle. In addition, the Assembly decided to review at its seventy-seventh session, with a view to taking a final decision, the implementation of the annual budget (resolution 72/266 A).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to lift the trial period effective from 2023 and requested the Secretary-General to continue with the submission of the programme budget according to an annual cycle (resolution 77/267).

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At the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to ensure that each programme of the regular budget undergoes a spending review at least once every five years, to be implemented from the proposed programme budget for 2024 onward (resolution 77/262).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to provide calculations of both gross and net requirements for the proposed programme budget for 2024. In addition, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to review all positions that have been vacant for 24 months or longer, to propose either their retention, with clear justification of need, or abolishment, and to provide a list of all long-vacant positions and actions taken in the annex to his future reports onward (resolution 77/262).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to take additional measures to improve multilingualism and the equal and adequate treatment of all six official languages and to report thereon in the next programme budget submission (resolution 77/262).

At the same session, the Assembly, having considered the proposed programme budget for 2023 for section 24, Human Rights, endorsed the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in which it stated that there was a need to address the challenges related to the fragmentation of the presentation of resources, but expressed the view that a further assessment was necessary, based on clearly defined criteria and robust data analysis, including the duration and cycle of the human rights mandates, for consideration by the General Assembly in advance of any inclusion of anticipated proposed resource requirements in a future programme budget proposal (resolution 77/262). The Secretary-General has included an updated proposal to consolidate the proposed resources to implement mandates of the Human Rights Council in the context of programme budget proposal 2024 to reduce fragmentation of budgetary proposals, to be considered during the main part of the seventy-eighth session of the General Assembly.

Also at the same session, the Assembly, having considered the ninth annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva, requested the Secretary-General to ensure that any change that affected the scope of the strategic heritage plan project is presented for its consideration and decision. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to make every effort to avoid budget increases or schedule overruns, including tight cost control, regular and proactive review of risks, value engineering and cost-saving measures, in order to ensure that the cost of the project will not exceed the approved budget level, noted such measures undertaken to date, and looked forward to receiving further information in his next progress report. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue documenting best practices and lessons learned from capital construction projects, including value engineering, multistage request for proposals and the use of local materials and knowledge, and to consider their application, as appropriate, to ensure that the objectives of this project are achieved within the approved budget and timeline. In addition, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to ensure that the procurement of goods and services for the construction project is carried out in strict compliance with the existing regulations, rules and relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions governing procurement in the United Nations. Furthermore, the Assembly decided to revert to the establishment of an assessment scheme and currency of appropriation and assessment for the strategic heritage plan at the main part of its seventy-eighth session, and requested the Secretary-General to provide updated detailed information on those issues. Furthermore, the Assembly decided to revert to the establishment of the multi-year special account for the strategic heritage plan in the main part of its seventy-eighth session (resolution 77/263 A, sect. VI).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly, having considered the seventh progress report of the Secretary-General on progress in the renovation of Africa Hall at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa, reiterated its request to the Secretary-General to include an update on the management of the main risks and the related mitigation measures, with a view to keeping the approved time frame of the project, to avoiding cost overruns and to ensuring the delivery of the project within the scope, budget and timeline, as approved by the Assembly, and requested an update in the context of his next progress report In addition, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue documenting best practices and lessons learned from capital construction projects, including value engineering, multistage request for proposals and the use of local materials and knowledge, and to consider their application, as appropriate, to ensure that the objectives of this project are achieved within the approved budget and timeline (resolution 77/263 A, sect. IX). At the same session, the Assembly, having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council, approved the budgets in the amount of 766,193,900 dollars for the 39 continuing special political missions (resolution 77/263, sect. V).

Also at the same session, the Assembly, having considered the fourth progress report of the Secretary-General on the renovation of the North Building at the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in Santiago, reiterated its request to the Secretary-General to remain proactive in seeking both voluntary and in-kind contributions from Member States, in full compliance with all relevant regulations and rules of the Organization, and to provide detailed information on the matter in the context of his next progress report. In addition, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue documenting best practices and lessons learned from capital construction projects, including value engineering, multistage request for proposals and the use of local materials and knowledge, and to consider their application, as appropriate, to ensure that the objectives of this project are achieved within the approved budget and timeline. Moreover, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to closely monitor and mitigate all project risks and take all measures necessary to ensure the delivery of the project within the scope, budget and timeline, as approved by the Assembly, and also requested the Secretary-General to include information on risk management and mitigation measures taken in his next progress report. Furthermore, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to ensure that all activities promoted cost efficiency and transparency, were implemented within existing resources and in accordance with the United Nations legislative framework, including the Financial Regulations and Rules, while maintaining full accountability to the General Assembly (resolution 77/263 A, sect. X).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly, having considered the sixth progress report of the Secretary-General on the seismic mitigation retrofit and lifecycle replacements project at the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific premises in Bangkok, requested the Secretary-General to continue to take into account lessons learned and best practices from past construction and renovation projects and, in particular, to draw from experience and knowledge acquired from other capital projects to ensure that the objectives of the project are achieved within budget and in a timely manner, and also requested the Secretary-General to provide an update on measures considered and applied in this regard in his next progress report. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to continue documenting best practices and lessons learned from capital construction, including value engineering, multistage request for proposals and the use of local materials and knowledge, and to consider their application, as appropriate, to ensure that the objectives of this project are achieved within the approved budget and timeline (resolution 77/263 A, sect. XI).

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At the same session, the Assembly, having considered the fifth annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the replacement of office blocks A to J at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, reiterated its request to the Secretary-General to remain proactive in seeking both voluntary and in-kind contributions from Member States, in full compliance with all relevant rules and regulations of the Organization, and to provide detailed information on the matter in the context of his next progress report. In addition, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue documenting best practices and lessons learned from capital construction projects, including value engineering, multistage request for proposals and the use of local materials and knowledge, and to consider their application, as appropriate, to ensure that the objectives of this project are achieved within the approved budget and timeline. Furthermore, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to ensure that all activities promote cost efficiency and transparency, are implemented within existing resources and in accordance with the United Nations legislative framework, including the Financial Regulations and Rules, while maintaining full accountability to the General Assembly. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to incorporate the envisaged renewable energy efficiency measures, wastewater treatment, solid waste management and water management into the design and construction of the United Nations Office at Nairobi project on office blocks A to J, including lessons learned from other construction projects. Furthermore, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to ensure conformity with relevant building codes and standards, as well as best practices for persons with disabilities, in the project to replace blocks A to J at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, and requests the Secretary-General to provide an update on relevant progress made in his next report (resolution 77/263 A, sect. XII).

Also at the same session, the Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the use of the commitment authority and request for a subvention to the Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone, requested the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to seek voluntary contributions, including through broadening the donor base and holding regular consultations with the key stakeholders, as well as to implement innovative fundraising approaches, and to report thereon to the Assembly at the main part of its seventy-eighth session. In addition, the Assembly appreciated the efforts made by the Residual Special Court on cost-efficiency measures, encouraged the Court to continue its efforts aimed at identifying additional costefficiency and the relevant cost-savings measures to be applied in view of the persistent funding challenges, and requested the Secretary-General to report thereon in the context of his next report. Moreover, the Assembly authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments in an amount not to exceed \$2,765,000 to supplement the voluntary financial resources of the Residual Special Court for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2023, and requested the Secretary-General to report on the use of the commitment authority in the context of his next report (resolution 77/263 A, sect. III).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the use of the commitment authority and request for a subvention to the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia, authorized the Secretary-General, to enter into commitments in an amount not exceeding \$3,809,900 dollars to supplement the voluntary financial resources of the international component of the Extraordinary Chambers for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2023, so as to enable the Chambers to carry out its judicial mandate, and requested the Secretary-General to report on the use of the commitment authority in the context of his next report (resolution 77/263 A, sect. IV).

At the same session, the Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on addressing the deteriorating conditions and limited capacity of the conference services

facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, requested the Secretary-General to continue to proactively monitor and mitigate all project risks, to take all measures necessary to ensure the delivery of the project within the scope, budget and timeline approved by the General Assembly and to include in his next progress report an update on risk management and related mitigation measures. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to continue documenting best practices and lessons learned from capital construction projects, including value engineering, multistage request for proposals and the use of local materials and knowledge, and to consider their application, as appropriate, to ensure that the objectives of this project are achieved within the approved budget and timeline. In addition, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to ensure conformity with relevant building codes and standards, as well as best practices for persons with disabilities, in the design, construction and renovation of the United Nations Office at Nairobi facilities. Furthermore, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to incorporate the envisaged renewable energy efficiency measures, wastewater treatment, solid waste management and water management into the project design, including lessons learned from other construction projects (resolution 77/263 A, sect. VIII).

Also at the same session, the Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the use of the 2022 subvention and request for a subvention to the Special Tribunal for Lebanon for 2023, requested the Secretary-General to provide additional and detailed information on the final expenditures and unencumbered balance, as well as its return to Member States, in the context of the financial performance report on the programme budget for 2022 during the main part of the seventy-eighth session (resolution 77/263 A, sect. II).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Proposed programme budget for 2024: Supplement No. 6 (A/78/6 (Introduction), A/78/6 (Sect. 1), A/78/6 (Sect. 2), A/78/6 (Sect. 3), A/78/6 (Sect. 4), A/78/6 (Sect. 5), A/78/6 (Sect. 6), A/78/6 (Sect. 7), A/78/6 (Sect. 8), A/78/6 (Sect. 9), A/78/6 (Sect. 10), A/78/6 (Sect. 11), A/78/6 (Sect. 12), A/78/6 (Sect. 13), A/78/6 (Sect. 14), A/78/6 (Sect. 15), A/78/6 (Sect. 16), A/78/6 (Sect. 17), A/78/6 (Sect. 18), A/78/6 (Sect. 19), A/78/6 (Sect. 20), A/78/6 (Sect. 21), A/78/6 (Sect. 22), A/78/6 (Sect. 23), A/78/6 (Sect. 24), A/78/6 (Sect. 25), A/78/6 (Sect. 26), A/78/6 (Sect. 27), A/78/6 (Sect. 28), A/78/6 (Sect. 29), A/78/6 (Sect. 29A), A/78/6 (Sect. 29B), A/78/6 (Sect. 29C), A/78/6 (Sect. 29D) A/78/6 (Sect. 29E), A/78/6 (Sect. 29F), A/78/6 (Sect. 30), A/78/6 (Sect. 35) and A/78/6 (Sect. 36), A/78/6 (Income sect. 1), A/78/6 (Income sect. 2) and A/78/6 (Income sect. 3)).
- (b) Reports of the Secretary-General (resolutions 42/211 (annex), 56/237, 60/251, 73/279 B, 76/246 A and 77/263 A (sects. I–IV, VI and VIII–XIII) and decision 77/548 A);
- (c) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: Supplement No. 7 (A/78/7) and addenda;
- (d) Report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on internal oversight: proposed programme budget for 2023 (A/77/85).

United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

At its forty-sixth session, in 1991, the Assembly decided to consider the item related to the United Nations pension system in even-numbered years (resolution 46/220), with the arrangement, however, that the review and approval of all matters related to the expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, including the biennial

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budgets of the Fund, would be taken up by the Fifth Committee and the Assembly under the agenda item for the United Nations biennial programme budget (see A/54/206). With the approved change in cycle of the proposed programme budget from biennial to annual, the review and approval of all matters related to the expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund are to be conducted on an annual basis in the context of its consideration of the proposed programme budget, pursuant to resolution 72/266 A.

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on the administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (resolution 46/220);
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General on the administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board;
- (c) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for 2022: Supplement No. 7 (A/77/7).

Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2023

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2022: Supplement No. 30 (A/77/30);
- (b) Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly on the budgetary implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2022;
- (c) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 138)

 Summary records
 A/C.5/76/SR.3, 5, 6, 9, 12, 19 and 21

 Reports of the Fifth Committee
 A/76/633, A/76/633/Add.1 and A/76/633/Add.2

 Plenary meetings
 A/76/PV.54 (Resumption 1), 68 and 69

 Resolutions
 76/245, 76/246 A and B, 76/247 A-C and 76/271

136. Programme planning

At its seventy-second session, under the item entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations", the General Assembly approved the proposed change from a biennial to an annual budget period on a trial basis, beginning with the programme budget for 2020. The Assembly also decided that the proposed programme budget document would consist of three parts: (a) part I: the plan outline, which endorses the long-term priorities and the objectives of the Organization; (b) part II: the programme plan for programmes and subprogrammes and programme performance information; and (c) part III: the post and non-post resource requirements for the programmes and subprogrammes. It further decided that parts I and II would be submitted through the Committee for Programme and Coordination and part III through the Advisory Committee on

Administrative and Budgetary Questions for the consideration of the Assembly. The Assembly reiterated that the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Advisory Committee should examine the proposed programme budget in accordance with their respective mandates and, preserving the sequential nature of the review processes, submit their conclusions and recommendations to the Assembly for the final approval of the programme budget, and requested the Secretary-General to assess the impact of the changes to the budgetary cycle on the work of the relevant subsidiary bodies of the Assembly (resolution 72/266 A).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to present any proposed changes to the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations and the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation for the consideration of the General Assembly (resolution 77/267).

At the same session, the Assembly decided to extend the length of session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination to five weeks, starting from the sixty-third session of the Committee. The Assembly also decided that the sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination should end no later than mid-June to ensure more time for substantial deliberation of the programmes and consultation with relevant United Nations bodies, starting from the sixty-fourth session of the Committee, in 2024. In addition, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to assess a procedure to inform the Advisory Committee of possible resource implications that may result from the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, for the consideration of the General Assembly, to address the sequential nature of the review process under the annual cycle (resolution 77/267).

Also at the same session, the Assembly also decided that the Fifth Committee will consider the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination at the earliest opportunity during the main part of the sessions of the General Assembly, under the agenda item entitled "Programme planning", and no later than the first week of November. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to ensure that all the Main Committees have access on their Committee Places of the e-deleGATE portal, for information purposes, before the start of the session, to the programmes of the proposed programme budget and the latest report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (resolution 77/267).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to ensure a strong culture of responsibility and accountability, compliance with regulations and rules, and the achievement of results. Furthermore, the Assembly requested to ensure effective and efficient utilization of available resources and programme delivery by programme managers, including through clearly defined results-based performance indicators and benchmarks (resolution 77/267).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its sixty-third session: Supplement No. 16 (A/78/16);
- (b) Proposed programme budget for 2024: Supplement No. 6 (A/78/6 (Introduction), A/78/6 (Sect. 1), A/78/6 (Sect. 2), A/78/6 (Sect. 3), A/78/6 (Sect. 4), A/78/6 (Sect. 5), A/78/6 (Sect. 6), A/78/6 (Sect. 7), A/78/6 (Sect. 8), A/78/6 (Sect. 9), A/78/6 (Sect. 10), A/78/6 (Sect. 11), A/78/6 (Sect. 12), A/78/6 (Sect. 13), A/78/6 (Sect. 14), A/78/6 (Sect. 15), A/78/6 (Sect. 16), A/78/6 (Sect. 17), A/78/6 (Sect. 18), A/78/6 (Sect. 19), A/78/6 (Sect. 20), A/78/6

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(Sect. 21), A/78/6 (Sect. 22), A/78/6 (Sect. 24), A/78/6 (Sect. 25), A/78/6 (Sect. 26), A/78/6 (Sect. 27), A/78/6 (Sect. 28), A/78/6 (Sect. 29), A/78/6 (Sect. 29A), A/78/6 (Sect. 29B), A/78/6 (Sect. 29C), A/78/6 (Sect. 29D), A/78/6 (Sect. 29E), A/78/6 (Sect. 29F), A/78/6 (Sect. 30), A/78/6 (Sect. 31), A/78/6 (Sect. 32), A/78/6 (Sect. 33), A/78/6 (Sect. 34), A/78/6 (Sect. 35) and A/78/6 (Sect. 36)).
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References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 139)

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its sixty-second session: Supplement No. 16 (A/76716)

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.18 and 9

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/655

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.56

Resolution 77/254

137. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations

At its thirtieth session, in 1975, the General Assembly decided to include in the provisional agenda of its thirty-first session an item entitled "Financial emergency of the United Nations" (resolution 3538 (XXX)). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its thirty-first to thirty-ninth sessions (resolutions 31/191, 32/104, 35/113, 36/116 A and B, 37/13, 38/228 A and B and 39/239 A and B and decisions 33/430 and 34/435).

An item entitled "Current financial crisis of the United Nations" was included in the agenda of the fortieth session at the request of the Secretary-General (A/40/247). The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fortieth and forty-second to forty-fifth sessions (resolutions 42/212, 43/215, 44/195 A and B and 45/236 A and B and decisions 40/471, 40/472 A and B and 42/460).

At its forty-seventh session, the Assembly decided to consider in future the items entitled "Current financial crisis of the United Nations" and "Financial emergency of the United Nations" under one item entitled "Improving the financial situation of the United Nations"; and also decided to consider the financial situation of the Organization as and when required (resolution 47/215).

The Assembly has included the item in the agenda since its forty-eighth session (resolution 48/220 and decisions 49/474, 50/496, 51/462, 52/496, 53/494, 54/495, 55/493, 56/482, 57/598, 58/575, 59/569, 60/566, 61/566 and 68/504).

Document for the seventy-seventh session: Periodic report of the Secretary-General (resolution 47/215).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 140)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/530 and A/77/530/Add.1

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.6 and 8

138. Pattern of conferences

A resolution entitled "Pattern of conferences" was adopted by the General Assembly at its twelfth session, in 1957, under the agenda item entitled "Budget estimates for

the financial year 1958" (resolution 1202 (XII)). The item was considered by the Assembly at its seventeenth, eighteenth and twentieth to seventy-seventh sessions (resolutions 1851 (XVII), 1987 (XVIII), 2116 (XX), 2239 (XXI), 2361 (XXII), 2478 (XXIII), 2609 (XXIV), 2693 (XXV), 2834 (XXVI), 2960 (XXVII), 3351 (XXIX), 3491 (XXX), 31/140, 32/71, 33/55, 34/50, 35/10 A to C, 36/117 A to D, 37/14 A to E, 38/32, 39/68 A to D, 40/243, 41/177 A to D, 42/207 A to C, 43/222 A to E, 44/196 A to C, 45/238 A and B, 46/190, 47/202 A to D, 48/222 A and B, 49/221 A to D, 50/206 A to F, 51/211 A to F, 52/214 A to E, 53/208 A to E, 54/248 A to F, 54/259, 55/222, 56/242, 57/283 A and B, 58/250 A and B, 59/265, 60/236 A and B, 61/236, 62/225, 63/248, 63/284, 64/230, 65/245, 66/233, 67/237, 68/251, 69/250, 70/9, 71/262, 72/19, 73/270, 74/252, 75/244, 76/237 and 77/255 and a decision adopted at the twenty-eighth session).

At its twenty-ninth session, in 1974, the Assembly established the Committee on Conferences, composed of 22 Member States (resolution 3351 (XXIX)).

At its forty-third session, the Assembly decided to retain the Committee on Conferences as a permanent subsidiary organ composed of 21 members to be appointed by the President of the Assembly, after consultations with the Chairs of the regional groups, for a period of three years (resolution 43/222 B) (see also item 118 (f)).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly noted with satisfaction that the Secretariat had taken into account the arrangements referred to in relevant resolutions of the Assembly on the pattern of conferences concerning Orthodox Good Friday and the official holidays of Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha, and requested all intergovernmental bodies to observe those decisions when planning their meetings. It also noted with satisfaction that the Secretariat had taken into account the arrangements referred to in relevant resolutions of the Assembly regarding the pattern of conferences, including resolution 69/250 concerning Yom Kippur, the Day of Vesak, Diwali, Gurpurab, Orthodox Christmas and Nowruz, and requested all relevant intergovernmental bodies to continue to observe the applicable decisions when planning their meetings (resolution 77/255, sect. I).

At the same session, the Assembly requested the Committee on Conferences to consult those bodies that had consistently utilized less than the applicable benchmark of their allocated resources for the past six years, with a view to making appropriate recommendations in order to achieve the optimum utilization of conference-servicing resources, and urged the secretariats and bureaux of bodies that underutilized their conference-servicing resources to work more closely with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management of the Secretariat and to consider changes to their programmes of work, as appropriate, including adjustments based on previous patterns of recurring agenda items, with a view to making improvements in their interpretation utilization factors (resolution 77/255, sect. II).

Also at the same session, the Assembly reiterated its request to intergovernmental bodies to review their meeting entitlements and to plan and adjust their programmes of work on the basis of their actual utilization of conference-servicing resources in order to improve their efficient use of conference services (resolution 77/255, sect. II).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue his efforts aimed at improving conference servicing at the four main duty stations, including by addressing or eliminating possible duplication, overlap and redundancy, and identifying innovative ideas, potential synergies and other cost-saving measures, without compromising quality or affecting the provision of services, and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session (resolution 77/255, sect. II).

At the same session, the Assembly welcomed the measures taken to ensure access to and use of conference services and conference facilities for persons with disabilities,

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including the establishment of the Accessibility Centre, and requested the Secretary-General to continue to address issues related to the accessibility of conference facilities as a matter of priority and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session (resolution 77/255, sect. II).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to realize further efficiencies by rigorously applying the integrated global management rule to applicable meetings, without jeopardizing the quality of services, and to continue to report thereon to the Committee (resolution 77/255, sect. II).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to keep the Assembly and the Committee on Conferences apprised of progress made in ensuring integrated global management and to provide accurate and up-to-date information on new initiatives falling under the purview of the Committee (resolution 77/255, sect. III).

At the same session, the Assembly noted with appreciation the progress made in the development and implementation of conference management software such as gData, gDoc, gMeets and gText, and requested the Secretary-General to ensure that they were implemented as enterprise systems in the context of the Secretariat-wide information and communications technology strategy and to report on progress made regarding operations, maintenance and harmonization with existing systems, as appropriate (resolution 77/255, sect. III).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to ensure full parity among the six official languages in accordance with Assembly resolution 73/346 and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session. The Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to continue to take action on providing the timely and simultaneous issuance of documents in all six official languages, and to continue his efforts to upload all important older United Nations documents on to the United Nations website in all six official languages on a priority basis so that those archives would also be available to Member States and the general public (resolution 77/255, sect. IV).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to seek ways to promote workload-sharing among the four main duty stations and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session (resolution 77/255, sect. IV).

At the same session, the Assembly welcomed the efforts of the Secretary-General to continue to improve the quality of the simultaneous interpretation and translation services provided, and requested the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to ensure the highest quality of interpretation and translation services in all six official languages (resolution 77/255, sect. V).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the Committee on Conferences for 2023: Supplement No. 32 (A/78/32);
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/78/96);
- (c) Note by the Secretary-General on the appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences (A/78/92);
- (d) Agenda and programme of work for 2024 (A/AC.172/2024/1);
- (e) Calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 2024 (A/AC.172/2024/2);
- (f) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 141)

Report of the Committee on Conferences for 2022: Supplement No. 32 (A/77/32)

Report of the Secretary-General (A/77/91)

Note by the Secretary-General on the appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences (A/77/84)

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/77/544)

Calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 2023 (A/AC.172/2023/2)

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.13 and

A/C.5/77/SR.25/Add.1

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/659

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.54 (Resumption 1)

Resolution 77/255

139. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

The regular budget of the United Nations is apportioned among its Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments approved by the General Assembly on the recommendation of the Committee on Contributions (see item 118 (b)). The scale of assessments has also been used to apportion the costs of the capital master plan. The scale, as modified by the provisions of resolutions 55/235 and 55/236 and other resolutions concerning the financing of peacekeeping operations, has also been used to apportion the cost of peacekeeping operations among Member States. The assessment rates used for the regular budget and peacekeeping operations have also been used for apportioning the costs of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals.

At its fifty-fourth session, in 1999, the Assembly decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 of the Charter must be submitted by Member States to the President of the Assembly at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a complete review of the requests (resolution 54/237 C).

At its fifty-seventh session, the Assembly endorsed the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee on Contributions concerning multi-year payment plans, as contained in paragraphs 17 to 23 of its report (A/57/11). Among those recommendations were that the Secretary-General should be requested to provide information on the submission of multi-year payment plans to the Assembly through the Committee and to submit an annual report to the Assembly through the Committee on the status of Member States' payment plans as at 31 December each year (resolution 57/4 B).

At its seventy-sixth session, the Assembly adopted a scale of assessments for the period from 2022 to 2024, based on the recommendations of the Committee on Contributions and using the same methodology applied to the preparation of the scale of assessments for the seven previous scale periods, and encouraged Member States to submit national accounts data under the 2008 System of National Accounts on a

timely basis. The Assembly also requested the Committee, in accordance with its mandate and the rules of procedure of the Assembly, to review and make recommendations on the elements of the methodology of the scale of assessments in order to reflect the capacity of Member States to pay, and to report thereon to the Assembly by the main part of its seventy-ninth session (resolution 76/238).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the Committee on Contributions on its eighty-third session: Supplement No. 11 (A/78/11);
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General on multi-year payment plans (A/78/68).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 142)

Report of the Committee on Contributions on its eighty-second session: Supplement No. 11 (A/77/11)

Report of the Secretary-General on multi-year payment plans (A/77/65)

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.1 and 3

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/484

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.15

Resolutions 77/2

140. Human resources management

The General Assembly first considered this item at its forty-ninth session (resolutions 49/222 A and B and decision 49/491).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fifty-first to seventy-seventh sessions (resolutions 51/226, 52/219, 52/252, 53/11, 53/218, 53/221, 53/225, 54/264, 55/221, 55/258, 57/281 A and B, 57/305, 58/285, 58/296, 59/266, 60/238, 60/260, 60/283, 61/244 to 61/246, 62/248, 63/250, 63/271, 65/247, 66/234, 67/255, 68/252, 68/265, 70/256, 71/263, 72/254, 74/254 A and B and 75/292 and decisions 50/454, 50/469, 54/460, 56/458 C, 60/551, 62/545, 64/548, 69/553 B, 70/553 B, 73/547 A, 74/540 A and B and 75/553 B; see also resolutions 72/266 A and B and 73/281, adopted under the item entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations"; resolution 76/235 B, adopted under the item entitled "Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors"; resolution 76/274, adopted under the item entitled "Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations"; and resolution 77/278).

At its seventy-first session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to modernize, streamline and integrate the Organization's human resources management structures and functions and present detailed proposals for the consideration of the Assembly at its seventy-third session; to intensify his efforts to develop a comprehensive and effective workforce- and succession-planning proposal and report thereon at the seventy-third session; to further intensify his efforts to ensure that a more refined performance management framework is implemented throughout the Organization; and to investigate the reasons for delays at each stage of the staff selection and recruitment processes and include in his next overview report a comprehensive strategy aimed at achieving the 120-day target for recruitment set by the Assembly. In addition, the Assembly expressed its serious concern about the slow pace of progress towards the goal of 50/50 gender balance in the United

Nations system; urged the Secretary-General to ensure necessary cooperation among related departments and offices in the implementation of the new staff selection and managed mobility system and requested him to provide detailed information on his proposal to include vacant positions at B, C, D and E duty stations in the managed mobility system in his next progress report; and requested him to present to the Assembly, no later than at its seventy-third session, proposals for a comprehensive review of the system of desirable ranges, including by retaining or widening the current base number of Professional posts, with a view to establishing a more effective tool for ensuring equitable geographical distribution within the Secretariat in relation to all posts financed through the regular budget (resolution 71/263).

At its seventy-fifth session, the Assembly, having considered the report of the Secretary-General on seconded active-duty military and police personnel and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, requested him to continue to actively engage in the efforts to improve the timely onboarding of such personnel, using the various tools at his disposal to address challenges beyond the control of the selected active-duty military and police personnel and which prevent their timely onboarding and to report thereon in his next report; requested him to carry out a comprehensive assessment of the practical impact, including on Member States, of the different options and possible combinations of options outlined in his report, taking into consideration lessons learned from the implementation of existing agreements and the need to secure continuous protection of the pension rights of the seconded personnel, and to provide the assessment to the Assembly for its consideration at its seventy-eighth session; authorized him to continue to enter into agreements with Member States to prevent duplication in the payment of salaries, benefits and allowances to active-duty seconded military and police personnel and to report thereon, including on the lessons learned, in the context of his next report to the Assembly (resolution 75/292).

At its seventy-sixth session, under the item entitled "Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors", the Assembly recalled paragraph 22 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the report of the Board of Auditors on the accounts of the United Nations peacekeeping operations and report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors concerning the United Nations peacekeeping operations for the financial period ended 30 June 2021 (A/76/735 and A/76/735/Corr.1), and requested the Secretary-General to promulgate a human resources downsizing policy for drawdown and liquidation (resolution 76/235 B).

At the same session, under the item entitled "Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations", the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue his ongoing efforts to ensure the attainment of equitable geographical distribution in the Secretariat and to ensure as wide a geographical distribution of staff as possible in all departments and offices and at all levels, including at the Director and higher levels, of the Secretariat, and requested him to report thereon in his next overview report (resolution 76/274).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to refine the parameters for measuring impact for the diversity, agility and accountability outcomes, and report thereon to the Assembly in the first part of its resumed seventy-ninth session; requested to see an updated human resources management strategy in its eightieth session; to report details on the policy and progress of implementation of the new consolidated mobility framework in the first part of its resumed seventy-ninth session; to propose a comprehensive approach to recruit and retain talent with new perspectives and the required skills, including through outreach, the internship programme, the Junior Professional Officer Programme and the young professionals

programme in the first part of its resumed seventy-ninth session; encouraged the development and the implementation of the guidelines on setting language requirements in future job openings, and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session; encouraged the Secretary-General to support managers in monitoring staff attendance to ensure that the Organization continues to be responsive to Member States and maintains effective and efficient delivery of its work to assist legislative bodies in their work and to carry out their decisions, and to report thereon in the first part of its resumed seventy-eighth session; requested a comprehensive review of the internship programme while developing a proposal to move towards supported internships, in alignment with good practices already in place in some organizations of the United Nations system, to be presented to the Assembly in the first part of its resumed seventy-ninth session; approved the recommendations for strengthening the independence of the Ethics Office on direct presentation of the annual report by the Office to the Assembly and enhanced role of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee to strengthen the accountability framework, and decided to include in the agenda of the seventy-eighth session an item entitled "Report on the activities of the Ethics Office"; requested the Secretary-General to submit for the consideration of the Assembly in the first part of its seventy-ninth session comprehensive measures aimed at ensuring his zero-tolerance approach to all cases of misconduct; to report on the request to extend Clear Check to cover other categories of misconduct and disciplinary sanctions at its seventy-eighth session; to continue to analyse data and trends around misconduct and disciplinary measures through the new Case Management Tracking System in order to inform future activities for prevention and response and to report thereon at its seventy-eighth session (resolution 77/278).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (decision 75/553 B):
 - (i) Composition of the Secretariat: staff demographics (resolution 72/254);
 - (ii) Composition of the Secretariat: staff demographics Add.1: General Service to Professional category proposal (resolution 77/278);
 - (iii) Composition of the Secretariat: staff demographics Add.2: Monitoring staff attendance (resolution 77/278);
 - (iv) Practice of the Secretary-General in disciplinary matters and cases of possible criminal behaviour, 1 January to 31 December 2022 (resolution 59/287);
 - (v) Seconded active-duty military and police personnel (resolution 75/292);
 - (viii) Report of the Secretary-General on amendments to Staff Regulations and Rules;
- Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Ouestions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 143)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/578, A/77/580, A/77/590, A/77/590/Add.1, A/77/75, A/77/729 and A/77/606

Reports of the Advisory Committee on A/77/727, A/77/728, A/77/728/Add.1, Administrative and Budgetary Questions A/77/729, A/77/730, A/77/7/Add.41

and A/77/545

Summary record A/C.5/77/SR.28

Draft resolution A/C.5/77/L.31

142. Joint Inspection Unit

At its twenty-first session, in 1966, the General Assembly established the Joint Inspection Unit for an initial period of four years (resolution 2150 (XXI)), and subsequently decided to continue the Unit until 31 December 1973 (resolution 2735 A (XXV)) and then for a further period of four years beyond that date (resolution 2924 B (XXVII)). At its thirty-first session, the Assembly approved the statute of the Unit as a subsidiary organ of the Assembly and of the legislative bodies of the specialized agencies that accepted the new statute (resolution 31/192). The membership of the Unit was increased from 8 to not more than 11 Inspectors, with effect from 1 January 1978.

The Assembly continued to reaffirm the statute of the Unit and its unique and independent system-wide role in the areas of inspection, evaluation and investigation at various sessions from its forty-eighth to seventy-fifth sessions (resolutions 48/221, 50/233, 54/16, 60/258, 61/238, 61/260, 62/226, 62/246, 63/272, 64/262, 65/270, 66/259, 67/256, 68/266, 69/275, 70/257, 71/281, 72/269, 73/287, 74/253, 75/270, 76/261,76/273 and 77/279).

At its fiftieth session, in June 1996, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General, and invited the executive heads of organizations participating in the Unit, to take the necessary measures to ensure that the thematic reports of the Unit were listed under the appropriate substantive agenda items of the work programmes of the Assembly, other pertinent organs and bodies of the United Nations and the appropriate legislative organs of the other participating organizations (resolution 50/233).

At its fifty-fourth session, the Assembly endorsed the follow-up system annexed to the Unit's report (A/52/34) and invited the Unit to include in its annual reports approved recommendations that had not been implemented (resolution 54/16).

At its fifty-fifth session, the Assembly decided to consider the annual reports of the Unit on an annual basis (resolution 55/230).

At its fifty-ninth session, the Assembly decided that the Unit should include in its annual reports information on implementation and the results achieved by organizations in respect of their follow-up to the recommendations of the Unit, as endorsed by their legislative bodies, and the arrangements put in place by participating organizations for reporting thereon (resolution 59/267).

At its sixty-first session, the Assembly requested that reports of the Unit include information on savings, acceptance rate of recommendations and implementation status by impact category (resolution 61/238, sect. I). At the same session, the Assembly decided to consider jointly the annual report and programme of work of the Unit, starting from the sixty-second session (resolution 61/260).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly stressed the importance of the oversight functions of the Unit in identifying concrete managerial, administrative and programming questions within the participating organizations and providing the General Assembly and other legislative organs of participating organizations with practical and action-oriented recommendations to improve and strengthen the governance of the United Nations as a whole. The Assembly also recognized that the effectiveness of the Unit system-wide is a shared responsibility of the Unit, the Member States and the secretariats of the participating organizations. In addition, the Assembly also recognized the need to continue to enhance the impact of the Unit on

the management efficiency and transparency of the participating organizations within the United Nations system (resolution 77/279).

At the same session, the Assembly recognized the efforts of the Unit to fulfil its programme of work, and noted the delay of several reviews, including the cumulative impact of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic and delayed responses from the organizations subject to reviews (resolution 77/279).

Also at the same session, the Assembly welcomed continued efforts to improve the efficiency of the review process and the quality of reports of the Unit, including user-friendly summaries of reports. It also requested the Unit to examine the status quo, as there were significantly different rates of acceptance and implementation of recommendations, including those recommendations deemed not relevant by some participating United Nations system organizations, with the aim to ensure that future inspections would lead to an increase in the number of accepted recommendations without damaging the strength of recommendations. The Assembly also welcomed the efforts of the Unit to further strengthen its outreach, improve its communications products with a view to highlighting the Unit's work and enhance its engagement with the senior management of participating organizations and the Member States, and requested the Unit to continue such efforts. In addition, the Assembly strongly encouraged the Unit to strengthen the review of long-term effectiveness of its implemented recommendations and to update the General Assembly thereon during the comprehensive midpoint assessment in 2024 (resolution 77/279).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2023 and programme of work for 2024: Supplement No. 34 (A/78/34);
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2023 (resolution 65/270);
- (c) Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit as well as his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit on:
 - (i) Review of management and administration in the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (JIU/REP/2022/1);
 - (ii) Review of management and administration in the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) (JIU/REP/2023/1);
 - (iii) Review of accountability frameworks in the United Nations system organizations (JIU/REP/2023/3).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 144)

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2022 and programme of work for 2023: Supplement No. 34 (A/77/34);

Note by the Secretary-General on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2022 (A/77/649);

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit as well as his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit on:

Review of United Nations system support for landlocked developing countries to implement the Vienna Programme of Action JIU/REP/2021/2 (A/77/89 and A/77/89/Add.1);

Review of cybersecurity in the United Nations system organizations JIU/REP/2021/3 (A/77/88 and A/77/88/Add.1);

Review of the management of implementing partners in United Nations system organizations JIU/REP/2021/4 (A/77/317 and A/77/317/Add.1);

Review of the ethics function in the United Nations system JIU/REP/2021/5 (A/77/258 and A/77/258/Add.1);

Business continuity management in United Nations system organizations JIU/REP/2021/6 (A/77/256 and A/77/256/Add.1).

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.26 and 28

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/819

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.66

Resolution 77/279

143. United Nations common system

The General Assembly, by its resolution 3042 (XXVII), decided in principle to establish an international civil service commission for the regulation and coordination of the conditions of service of the United Nations common system. By its resolution 3357 (XXIX), the Assembly approved the statute of the International Civil Service Commission. The United Nations common system comprises 17 organizations that have accepted the Commission's statute and, together with the United Nations itself and its funds and programmes, participate in the United Nations common system of salaries and allowances. Other organizations have not formally accepted the statute but fully participate in the Commission's work or apply the common system of salaries, allowances and benefits. Under its statute, the Commission is required to submit an annual report to the Assembly, which is also to be transmitted to the governing organs of the other organizations of the common system, through their executive heads.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly, recalling its resolutions 44/198 of 21 December 1989 and 45/259 of 3 May 1991, and for clarification purposes and without altering the Commission's authority or affecting the current operational reality, decided to amend articles 10 and 11 of the statute of the Commission. It reaffirmed the authority and competence of the Commission to establish post adjustment multipliers for duty stations in the United Nations common system, under article 11 (c) of the statute of the Commission. The Assembly further urged the organizations of the common system to reaffirm their commitment to a single, unified United Nations common system as the cornerstone for the regulation and coordination of the conditions of service of the United Nations common system, and to that end invited them to complete, as quickly as practicable, formal acceptance of the amended statute. The Assembly called upon all organizations that had not done so to implement the post adjustment multipliers established by the Commission, based on the results of the 2021 baseline cost-ofliving surveys, and called upon all organizations to implement all future post adjustment multipliers established by the Commission, in compliance with their responsibilities as part of the common system arising from their acceptance of the statute of the Commission. In this regard, the Assembly requested the Commission to continue to monitor the implementation of its post adjustment decisions by organizations of the common system and to report thereon at its seventy-eighth session (resolution 77/256).

At the same session, the Assembly reaffirmed its role in approving conditions of service and entitlements for all staff serving in the organizations of the United Nations common

system, bearing in mind articles 10 and 11 of the statute of the Commission. It further reaffirmed the central role of the Commission in regulating and coordinating conditions of service and entitlements for all staff serving in the organizations of the United Nations common system, and also recalled that members of the Commission should perform their functions in full independence and with impartiality (resolution 77/256).

Also at the same session, the Assembly requested the Commission, in consultation with the Secretary-General, to analyse any existing measures to ensure adherence to the common system salaries, allowances and benefits and to make proposals to reinforce implementation of common system decisions, as appropriate, in conjunction with governing bodies; and recalling paragraphs 12 and 13 of its resolution 76/240, it requested the Commission to provide for consideration at its seventy-eighth session a detailed outline of its approach for the next comprehensive review of the compensation package, including the structure, parameters and timelines. Recalling paragraph 14 of the same resolution, the Assembly reiterated the importance of providing Member States with comprehensive data on system-wide compensation costs for all staff categories, and expects the provision of such data without delay, and stressed the importance of timely submission by the United Nations common system organizations to the Commission of necessary information in order to ensure that the decisions and recommendations of the Commission are based on updated and reliable data. The Assembly also highlighted the importance of effective and timely communication of the decisions of the Commission and the Assembly to organizations of the common system and other stakeholders in accordance with the statute of the Commission, and of advice on complex legal matters related to the common system (resolution 77/256).

With reference to the conditions of service applicable to both categories of staff, the Assembly requested the Commission to conduct a system-wide survey to assess factors affecting workforce retention and to submit the results and analysis of the survey at its seventy-ninth session. The Assembly welcomed the establishment of the new parental leave framework, requested the Secretary-General to implement the framework in the Secretariat of the United Nations within existing resources, on an exceptional basis, for the year 2023, and encouraged executive heads of other organizations of the common system to follow such practice. The Assembly also requested the Commission to submit to its eightieth session an assessment and review of the implementation of the parental leave framework, with a detailed analysis of utilization data, staff satisfaction, expenditures, the incentive function of the new framework and its impact on the workforce in the common system, in particular in terms of job attractiveness and workforce retention. Recalling its resolution 73/273, the Assembly recognized that multilingualism strengthens the workforce diversity, therefore, welcomed the inclusion of multilingualism of the workforce in the programme of work of the Commission, and noted that the language incentive would be considered within the next comprehensive review as a measure to promote multilingualism in the common system. It further reaffirmed that the Commission should establish, inter alia, standards of travel under article 11 (b) of the statute of the Commission, and requested the Commission to reconsider the pilot study on standards of accommodation for air travel, taking into account the provisions of resolutions of the Assembly on standards of accommodation for air travel, and to report thereon in the context of the next report (resolution 77/256).

Also at its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly approved, with effect from 1 January 2023, as recommended by the Commission in paragraph 148 of its report, the revised unified base/floor salary scale and updated pay protection points for staff in the Professional and higher categories. With respect to the children's and secondary dependants' allowances, the Assembly invited the Commission to further refine the

structure of the allowances and to review the feasibility of applying a means-tested methodology, and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session. It approved, as a compensation measure, the allowance for children with disabilities in the amount of 6,645 dollars per annum until the children's and secondary dependants' allowances are further adjusted. With reference to the hardship allowance and mobility incentive, the Assembly invited the Commission to reconsider its decisions on the levels of the hardship allowance and the mobility incentive and to assess the calculating methodologies based on the outcome of the next comprehensive compensation review. Recalling section E, paragraph 3, of its resolution 74/255 B, the Assembly reiterated its encouragement to the organizations of the United Nations common system to consider the application of alternative administrative measures, including non-financial incentives, to promote staff mobility, and the linking of mobility to staff development and career progression, to the extent possible (resolution 77/256).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2023: Supplement No. 30 (A/78/30);
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General on the jurisdictional set-up of the common system (A/78/xx);
- (c) Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly on the administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2023;
- (d) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 145)

Report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2022: Supplement No. $30 \, (A/77/30)$

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly on the programme budget implications arising from recommendations and decisions contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2022 (A/C.5/77/4)

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/77/7/Add.11)

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.10 and 19

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/671

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.56 (Resumption 1)

Resolutions 77/256 A and B

144. Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

At its forty-eighth session, the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations", decided to establish an Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) under the authority of the Secretary-General, the head of which would be at the rank of Under-Secretary-General. It also decided that OIOS would assume the functions prescribed for the Office for Inspections and Investigations in the note by the Secretary-General

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(A/48/640), as amended by the resolution, according to which the reporting to the Assembly would be in the form of an annual report prepared by OIOS on its work and submitted to the Assembly by the Secretary-General; and further decided to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session an item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services" (resolution 48/218 B).

The Assembly had the item on its agenda at its fiftieth to sixtieth sessions (resolutions 50/239, 55/259, 56/246, 57/287 A to C and 60/259).

At its fifty-ninth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 48/218 B and 54/244", requested the Secretary-General to ensure that annual and semi-annual reports submitted by OIOS to the Assembly contained the titles and brief summaries of all other reports of the Office issued during the year and that original versions of the reports of the Office not submitted to the Assembly were, upon request, made available to any Member State, and decided that reports of the Office should be submitted directly to the Assembly as submitted by the Office and that the comments of the Secretary-General might be submitted in a separate report (resolution 59/272).

At its sixtieth session, the Assembly, under the item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services", decided to modify the title of the item to read "Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services", in accordance with paragraph 3 of resolution 59/272 (resolution 60/259).

The Assembly has had the item on its agenda annually since its sixty-first session (resolutions 61/275, 62/234, 63/265, 64/232, 65/250, 66/236, 67/258, 68/21, 69/252, 70/111, 71/7, 72/18, 73/275, 74/256, 75/247, 76/241 and 77/259).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to ensure that the annual reports of the Office continue to include a brief description of any impairment of its independence; and to ensure that all relevant resolutions, including those of a cross-cutting nature, are brought to the attention of relevant managers and that the Office takes those resolutions into account in the conduct of its activities (resolution 77/259).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services:

- (a) Activities of the Office for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (resolution 48/218 B);
- (b) Activities of the Office on peace operations for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2023 (to be issued in the second part of the resumed seventy-eighth session) (resolution 59/272).

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 148)

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services:

Activities of the Office for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 (A/77/278 (Part I) and A/77/278 (Part I)/Add.1)

Activities of the Office on peace operations for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2022 (A/77/278 (Part II))

Evaluation of the contribution of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo to the rule of law (A/77/734)

Outcome evaluation of the support provided by the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic for the fight against impunity, the extension of State authority and the rule of law in the Central African Republic (A/77/739)

Evaluation of women and peace and security in field-based missions: elections and political transitions (A/77/83)

Summary record A/C.5/77/SR.3

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/657

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.56 (Resumption 1)

Resolution 77/259

145. Administration of justice at the United Nations

The General Assembly had this item on its agenda at its fifty-fifth to fifty-ninth and annually since its sixty-first session (resolutions 55/258, 57/307, 59/283, 61/261, 62/228, 63/253, 64/119, 64/233, 65/251, 66/237, 67/241, 68/254, 69/203, 70/112, 71/266, 72/256, 73/276, 74/258, 75/248, 76/242 and 77/260 and decisions 56/458 C, 58/576, 61/503 A, 63/531, 64/527, 64/553 and 65/213).

At its sixty-second session, the Assembly established: (a) a two-tier formal system of administration of justice, comprising a first instance United Nations Dispute Tribunal and an appellate instance United Nations Appeals Tribunal; (b) the Office of Administration of Justice, comprising the Office of the Executive Director and the Office of Staff Legal Assistance, as well as the Registries for the United Nations Dispute Tribunal and the United Nations Appeals Tribunal, the Registries to be overseen by the Principal Registrar; (c) a single integrated and decentralized Office of the Ombudsman for the United Nations Secretariat, funds and programmes with branches in several duty stations and a new mediation division; (d) the Internal Justice Council; and (e) the Management Evaluation Unit in the Office of the Under-Secretary-General for Management (resolution 62/228).

At its sixty-third session, the Assembly adopted the statutes of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal and the United Nations Appeals Tribunal and decided that the Tribunals would be operational as of 1 July 2009 and that all persons who had access to the Office of the Ombudsman under the previous system would also have access to the new informal system (resolution 63/253). The statutes have been amended at subsequent sessions (resolutions 66/237, 69/203, 70/112, 71/266 and 73/276).

Consideration of the item in the Fifth Committee

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly emphasized the importance of the principle of judicial independence in the system of administration of justice and stressed the importance of ensuring access for all staff members to the system of administration of justice, regardless of their duty station. It acknowledged the evolving nature of the system of administration of justice and the need to carefully monitor its implementation to ensure that it remains within the parameters set out by the Assembly. The Assembly emphasized equal treatment of the six official languages of the United Nations, noted that multilingualism within the system of administration of justice contributes to efficient and effective dispute resolution and increased outreach and awareness-raising, welcomed the efforts of the Secretary-General in this regard to implement multilingualism policies in compliance with relevant rules and regulations, and further requested him to report on measures, and relevant remaining challenges,

to continue efforts to promote multilingualism in his future reports. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to ensure a strong culture of accountability throughout the Secretariat, in particular with proactive and transparent application of the United Nations three-pillared approach to the management of misconduct, namely, prevention, enforcement and remedial action, and to ensure access to effective remedies for all categories of personnel. It took note of paragraph 7 of the report of the Advisory Committee and requested the Secretary-General to continue to hold managers accountable when their decisions have been established to be grossly negligent according to the applicable Staff Regulations and Rules of the United Nations and have led to litigation and subsequent financial loss and to report thereon to the Assembly at its seventy-eighth session. With respect to dispute resolution involving non-staff personnel, recalling paragraph 7 of its resolution 63/253, welcomed the continued efforts of the Secretary-General to improve the prevention and resolution of disputes involving non-staff personnel and his efforts to further explore more cost-effective means to resolve disputes, and requested the Secretary-General to report on progress, including the financial and administrative impact, to the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session. The Assembly further reiterated that retaliation against complainants or staff appearing as witnesses constitutes misconduct, noted with appreciation the policy on protection against retaliation for reporting misconduct and for cooperating with duly authorized audits or investigations, underscored the importance of raising awareness of the policy, as well as the efforts to continuously improve the framework for protection from retaliation, and in that regard requested the Secretary-General to provide information on the implementation of the policy for all categories of personnel covered in his next report. It also encouraged the Secretary-General, in his capacity as the Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, to promote protection against retaliation across the system (resolution 77/260, sect. I).

At the same session, with regard to the informal system, the Assembly recognized that the informal system of administration of justice is an efficient and effective option both for staff who seek redress of grievances and for the participation of managers. The Assembly reaffirmed that the informal resolution of conflict is a crucial element of the system of administration of justice, emphasized that all possible use should be made of the informal system in order to avoid unnecessary litigation, without prejudice to the basic right of staff members to access the formal system, and encouraged recourse to the informal resolution of disputes. The Assembly also reaffirmed the importance of the informal dispute resolution process in the Organization, which represents an effective method of dispute resolution as compared with the formal process, and the central role of mediation, and emphasized that all possible use should be made of the informal system; it recognized mediation as a core part of the work of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services and as a cost-effective method of informal conflict resolution, underlined the importance of increasing the use of mediation services, and encouraged improved communication between all parts of the system of administration of justice to increase opportunities to address underutilized mediation. Further, recalling paragraph 46 of the report of the Advisory Committee, it requested the Secretary-General to increase awareness among staff of the possibility of having conversations with the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services to explore informal resolution, including mediation, as a first step, where feasible, prior to filing a formal complaint, encouraged such conversations, and also requested the Secretary-General to provide further information in this regard. The Assembly noted the practice of reporting about systemic observations in the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services and requested the Secretary-General to continue such practice and to resume the practice of providing information since the seventy-fourth session on measures taken

to address the systemic issues identified, and to report thereon in his future reports. Recalling paragraph 25 of its resolution 75/248, the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to take action to address all cases of harassment against female staff, including through providing tools and mandatory training on the value of civility in the workplace, and to report thereon in his next report; also recalling paragraph 61 of the report of the Advisory Committee, it noted the referral of visitors to staff counselling services by the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, as appropriate. Noting the Secretary-General's strategic action plan for addressing racism and promoting dignity for all in the United Nations Secretariat and the mandate established in its resolution 76/271 of 29 June 2022, it encouraged the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services to provide observations on the trends and patterns of racism and racial discrimination and remedial actions taken within the Organization, and requested the Secretary-General to report thereon in the context of his next report on the activities of the Office. It requested the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services to provide, on an annual basis, a statistical overview with data on mediation cases, including on case volume and trends, and the resolution rate of cases mediated by the Office and information on cases with full resolution, and to report thereon to the General Assembly. The Assembly decided to continue the pilot project for non-staff personnel within existing resources, noted the merit in continued access of non-staff personnel to the services of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services, and requested the Office to provide further information, including data on the number of non-staff personnel serviced and information on the benefits of such service, in the context of the next report, with a view to regularizing the pilot project within existing resources (resolution 77/260, sect. II).

Also at the same session, with regard to the formal system, the Assembly welcomed the effort of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal to reduce the number of pending and ageing cases, stressed the importance of continued implementation of all measures to avoid the backlog of cases, with priority for cases which were pending for over 400 days, and requested the Secretary-General to continuously monitor cases through the case disposal plan and real-time case-tracking dashboard. The Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to track the data on the number of cases received by the Management Evaluation Unit and the Dispute Tribunal in order to identify any emerging trends, and to report thereon in the context of his next report. The Assembly welcomed the launch of the Caselaw portal, which includes search criteria, filters and a digest of all judgments of the United Nations Dispute and Appeals Tribunals and contributes to a more transparent and accessible system of administration of justice, and to the upholding of the principle of accountability, and requested the Secretary-General to provide further information on the functioning of the portal in his next report. With regard to the Office of Staff Legal Assistance, the Assembly recognized its ongoing positive contribution to the system of administration of justice. It recognized that the voluntary supplemental funding mechanism for the Office of Staff Legal Assistance is an invaluable resource for the funding of its staff members and its presence in the field, noted with concern the continuing opt-out rates from the voluntary staff funding mechanism, and requested the Secretary-General to further his efforts to strengthen incentives for staff not to opt out, particularly in locations and United Nations entities where the participation rate is low, and to report on measures taken in this regard in the context of his next report. Recalling paragraph 27 of its resolution 74/258, the Assembly decided to approve article 19 (2) of the proposed amendments to the rules of procedure of the Dispute Tribunal as set out in annex I to the report of the Secretary-General on the administration of justice at the United Nations (A/77/156). It encouraged the Dispute Tribunal to conduct further consultations on the interlinkage between the remaining amendments to the rules of procedure and existing rules, build consensus on the

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remaining amendments, and bring them to the attention of the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session in the context of the report of the Secretary-General on the administration of justice at the United Nations. It took note of the proposal of the Secretary-General to amend the statute of the Dispute Tribunal as set out in paragraph 128 of his report on the administration of justice at the United Nations, and of the different views expressed by key stakeholders, and encouraged the Secretary-General to continue to consult the various stakeholders on this important legal issue, revert to the appropriate committee to consider the matter and report thereon to the General Assembly, with a view to concluding its consideration at the seventy-eighth session. The Assembly stressed that all elements of the system of administration of justice as well as disciplinary measures must work in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and the legal and regulatory framework approved by the General Assembly. It reaffirmed the authority of the Secretary-General to impose disciplinary measures on staff who have engaged in misconduct consistent with the regulatory framework established by the General Assembly; and it affirmed that the Dispute Tribunal and the Appeals Tribunal should exercise their powers according to their respective statutes, including that the Dispute Tribunal is competent to hear and pass judgment on an application filed by an individual to appeal an administrative decision imposing a disciplinary measure and the Appeals Tribunal is competent to hear and pass judgment on an appeal filed against a judgment rendered by the Dispute Tribunal (resolution 77/260, sect. III).

The Assembly invited the Sixth Committee to consider the legal aspects of the report to be submitted by the Secretary-General, without prejudice to the role of the Fifth Committee as the Main Committee entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters (resolution 77/260, sect. IV).

Consideration of the item in the Sixth Committee

At the seventy-seventh session, as set out in a letter from the Chair of the Sixth Committee (see A/C.5/77/17, annex), the Sixth Committee considered the legal aspects of the reports of the Secretary-General and of the Internal Justice Council on the administration of justice at the United Nations and the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services. The Sixth Committee drew the attention of the Fifth Committee to a number of specific issues relating to the legal aspects of those reports.

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Administration of justice at the United Nations (A/78/156);
 - (ii) Activities of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services (A/78/170);
- (b) Report of the Internal Justice Council on administration of justice at the United Nations (A/78/121);
- (c) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 149)

Reports of the Secretary-General (A/77/151 and A/77/156)

Report of the Internal Justice Council on the administration of justice at the United Nations (A/77/130)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the administration of justice at the United Nations and activities of the Office of the Ombudsman and Mediation Services (A/77/559)

Letter dated 21 November 2022 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chair of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/77/17)

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.14, 18 and 25/Add.1 and

A/C.6/77/SR.11 and 36

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/654

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.56 (Resumption 1)

Resolution 77/260

146. Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals

This item was included in the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly on the proposal of the Secretary-General (A/66/143).

At its sixty-sixth to seventy-seventh sessions, the Assembly considered the item (resolutions 66/240 A and B, 67/244 A and B, 68/257, 68/267, 69/256, 69/276, 70/243, 70/258, 71/269, 71/282, 72/258 A and B, 72/270, 73/277, 73/288, 74/259, 74/272, 75/249, 76/243 and 77/261).

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly decided to appropriate to the special account for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals a total amount of \$81,945,300 gross (\$74,951,200 net) for 2023 (resolution 77/261)).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Performance report on the budget of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for 2022;
 - (ii) Proposed budget for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for 2024;
 - (iii) Revised estimates arising from the effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation;
- (b) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 148)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/488, A/77/528 and A/77/628

Related reports of the Advisory

A/77/626 and A/77/7/Add.37

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.21, 24 and 25/Add.1

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/660

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.56 (Resumption 1)

Resolution 77/261

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147. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy. The Assembly approved the cost estimates for the United Nations Logistics Base, amounting to \$65,977,500 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, and decided on the financing of the requirements for the United Nations Logistics Base for the same period (resolution 77/305).

Financing of the United Nations Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly approved the amount of \$43,647,400 for the maintenance of the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda, for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024. The Assembly decided that the requirements for the Regional Service Centre for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 should be financed by: the unencumbered balance and other revenue in the amount of \$623,200 in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022, to be applied against the resources required for the period; the amount of \$40,895,400, to be prorated among the budgets of the active client peacekeeping operations for the period; and the amount of \$2,128,800, with respect to the share of client special political missions, to be funded under section 3, Political affairs, as may be approved by the Assembly in the context of the proposed programme budget for 2024 (resolution 77/306).

Support account for peacekeeping operations

At its forty-fifth session, in 1991, the Assembly established the support account for peacekeeping operations, effective 1 January 1990 (resolution 45/258); it became operational on 1 May 1990.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly reaffirmed its role in carrying out a thorough analysis and approval of human and financial resources and policies with a view to ensuring the full, effective and efficient implementation of all mandated programmes and activities and the implementation of policies in that regard; also reaffirmed that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the Assembly entrusted with responsibility for administrative and budgetary matters; further reaffirmed rule 153 of its rules of procedure; reaffirmed that the support account funds should be used for the sole purpose of financing human resources and non-human resources requirements for backstopping and supporting peacekeeping operations at Headquarters, and that any changes in that limitation require the prior approval of the Assembly; also reaffirmed the need for adequate funding for the backstopping of peacekeeping operations, as well as the need for full justification for that funding in support account budget submissions; and further reaffirmed the need for effective and efficient administration and financial management of peacekeeping operations, requested the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolution 76/274 and other relevant resolutions, and urged the Secretary-General to continue to identify measures to increase the productivity and efficiency of the support account. The Assembly approved the support account requirements in the amount of \$387,808,200 for the financial period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of the amount of \$17,659,500 for the enterprise resource planning project, \$518,400 for death and disability claims for closed peacekeeping operations, \$868,500 for the efficiency model for management services (previously the global service delivery model project), \$3,326,800 for peacekeeping capability readiness, \$20,875,400 for Umoja maintenance and support costs and \$12,855,200 for after-service health

insurance costs, including 1,362 continuing posts and 1 new temporary post, as well as the redeployment, reassignment and reclassification of posts, 71 continuing and 5 new general temporary assistance positions and 51.5 person-months, as well as related post and non-post requirements, and decided on the financing of the requirements for the support account for the same period (resolution 77/304).

Review of the delivery mode of the United Nations Mine Action Service

At its seventy-seventh sessions, the General Assembly considered the report of Summary of the findings and recommendations of the independent review of the delivery model of the United Nations Mine Action Service, and decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decision 77/548 C).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Overview of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: budget performance for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 and budget for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 59/296);
 - (ii) Budget performance of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (resolution 77/305);
 - (iii) Budget for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/305);
 - (iv) Budget performance of the United Nations Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda, for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (resolution 77/306);
 - (v) Budget for the United Nations Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda, for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/306);
 - (vi) Budget performance of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (resolution 77/304);
 - (vii) Budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/304);
 - (viii) Report of the Secretary-General on the updated financial position of closed peacekeeping missions as at 30 June 2023 (resolution 76/280).
- (b) Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting:
 - (i) Proposed budgetary levels for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 49/233 A);
 - (ii) Six-month update of information on the budgetary levels for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 (resolution 49/233 A);
 - (iii) Approved resources for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 49/233 A);
 - (iv) Financing of the support account for peacekeeping operations, the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda, for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 50/221 B);
- (c) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

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References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 151)

Reports of the Secretary-General (A/77/612, A/77/613, A/77/631, A/77/732, A/77/741, A/77/747, A/77/757, A/77/771 and A/77/779)

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting:

Approved resources for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (A/C.5/77/30)

Proposed budgetary levels for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 (A/C.5/77/29)

Financing of the support account for peacekeeping operations, the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda (A/C.5/77/31)

Approved resources for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 (A/C.5/77/32)

Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on:

Triennial review of the rates and standards for reimbursement to Member States for contingent-owned equipment (A/77/832)

Observations and recommendations on cross-cutting issues related to peacekeeping operations (A/77/767)

Summary of the findings and recommendations of the independent review of the delivery model of the United Nations Mine Action Service (A/77/816)

Budget performance for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 and proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (A/77/767/Add.6)

Budget performance for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 and proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 of the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda (A/77/767/Add.5)

Budget performance for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, financing for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 and proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 of the support account for peacekeeping operations (A/77/833)

Report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 (A/77/763)

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/924

Resolutions 77/303 to 77/306

Decision 77/548 C

148. Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei

The Security Council, by its resolution 1990 (2011), established the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA), for a period of six months, taking into account the Agreement between the Government of the Sudan and the Sudan People's

Liberation Movement on Temporary Arrangements for the Administration and Security of the Abyei Area. The Council extended the mandate of UNISFA in subsequent resolutions, the latest of which was resolution 2660 (2022), by which the Council extended the mandate of UNISFA until 15 November 2023.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly appropriated to the special account for UNISFA the amount of \$66,364,700 for the maintenance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, in addition to the amount of \$260,445,300 previously approved for the same period (resolution 75/297); decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States the amounts of \$4,095,600, representing other revenue in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022, and \$346,600, representing the increase in the estimated staff assessment income for the Force in respect to the financial period ended 30 June 2022; appropriated to the special account for UNISFA the amount of \$8,506,500 for the maintenance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, in addition to the amount of \$259,663,200 previously appropriated for the same period (resolution 76/281); appropriated to the special account for UNISFA the amount of \$315,939,000 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$287,220,900 for the maintenance of the Force, \$22,160,200 for the support account for peacekeeping operations, \$3,802,000 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and \$2,755,900 for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$118,477,200 for the period from 1 July to 15 November 2023; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$2,378,000; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$197,461,800 for the period from 16 November 2023 to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of \$26,328,240, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Force; and decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$3,963,500 (resolutions 77/290 A and B).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 152)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/603, A/77/769 and A/77/836

Related report of the Advisory Committee A/77/767/Add.10 on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.31 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/890 and A/77/890 Add.1

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.73 and 87

Resolutions 77/290 A and B

149. Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic

By its resolution 2149 (2014), the Security Council established the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA) for an initial period until 30 April 2015. The mandate of MINUSCA was extended by the Council in subsequent resolutions, the latest of which was resolution 2659 (2022), by which it was extended until 15 November 2023.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly appropriated to the special account for MINUSCA the amount of \$1,260,098,600 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$1,145,558,700 for the maintenance of the Mission, \$88,384,400 for the support account for peacekeeping operations, \$15,163,800 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and \$10,991,700 for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$472,537,000 for the period from 1 July to 15 November 2023; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$9,997,300; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$787,561,600 for the period from 16 November 2023 to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of \$105,008,213, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Mission; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$16,662,000; and also decided that the increase of \$949,300 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits in the amount of \$10,075,900 (resolution 77/307).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/307);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 153)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/633 and A/77/758

Related report of the Advisory A/77/767/Add.13

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.32 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/930

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Resolution 77/307

150. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire

The Security Council, by its resolution 1528 (2004), established the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI) for an initial period of 12 months as from 4 April 2004. By the same resolution, the Council requested the Secretary-General to transfer authority from the United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire and the Economic Community of West African States forces to UNOCI on that date. The Council has since extended the mandate of UNOCI in subsequent resolutions, the latest of which was resolution 2284 (2016), by which the Council extended the mandate for a final period until 30 June 2017.

At its seventy-fourth, seventy-fifth, seventy-sixth and seventy-seventh sessions, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decisions 74/540 C, 75/553 C, 76/548 C and 77/548 C).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 154)

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Decision 77/548 C

151. Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

By its resolution 186 (1964), the Security Council recommended the creation of a United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) and that the Force be stationed for three months, with a mandate to use its best efforts to prevent a recurrence of fighting and, as necessary, to contribute to the maintenance and restoration of law and order and a return to normal conditions. Since then, the Council has periodically extended the mandate of UNFICYP, usually for periods of six months at a time, the latest extension of which, for one year, was by its resolution 2674 (2023), for a further period ending on 31 January 2024.

Prior to 16 June 1993, the Secretary-General was not authorized to utilize any funds other than voluntary contributions pledged by Member States for the financing of UNFICYP. Pursuant to Council resolution 831 (1993), the General Assembly, in its resolution 47/236, decided that, beginning 16 June 1993, the costs of UNFICYP that were not covered by voluntary contributions should be treated as expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States, in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations.

At its seventy-seventh session, the Assembly appropriated to the special account for UNFICYP the amount of \$61,307,600 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$56,225,300 for the maintenance of the Force, \$4,338,000 for the support account for peacekeeping operations and \$744,300 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy; noted with appreciation that a one-third share of the net appropriation, equivalent to \$19,434,667, would be funded through voluntary contributions from the Government of Cyprus and the amount of \$6,500,000 from the Government of Greece; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$20,634,211 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 January 2024; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$1,752,100; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$14,738,722 for the period from 1 February to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of \$2,947,744, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Force;

decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$1,251,500; and also decided that the increase of \$300 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits in the amount of \$1,111,664. In addition, the Assembly decided, taking into account its voluntary contribution for the financial period ended 30 June 2022, that one third of the net unencumbered balance and other revenue in the amount of \$676,901 in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be returned to the Government of Cyprus; also decided, taking into account its voluntary contribution for the financial period ended 30 June 2022, that the prorated share of the net unencumbered balance and other revenue in the amount of \$242,135 in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be returned to the Government of Greece; and further decided to continue to maintain as separate the account established for UNFICYP for the period prior to 16 June 1993 (resolution 77/308).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/308);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 155)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/595 and A/77/722

Related report of the Advisory A/77/767/Add.1

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.29 and 30

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/925

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Resolution 77/308

152. Financing of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The Security Council, by its resolution 1925 (2010), decided that, effective 1 July 2010, the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo would bear the title of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO) and that MONUSCO would be deployed until 30 June 2011. The mandate of MONUSCO was extended by the Council in subsequent resolutions, the latest of which was resolution 2666 (2022), by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 20 December 2023.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly appropriated to the special account for MONUSCO the amount of \$1,170,773,800 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$1,064,353,200 for the maintenance of the Mission, \$82,119,100 for the support account for peacekeeping operations, \$14,088,900 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and \$10,212,600

for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$550,390,900 for the period from 1 July to 20 December 2023; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$620,382,900 for the period from 21 December 2023 to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of \$97,564,483, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Mission; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$17,060,000 for the period from 1 July to 20 December 2023, and \$19,229,500 for the period from 21 December 2023 to 30 June 2024, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Mission; and decided that the decrease of \$433,800 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be set off against the credits in the amount of \$44,786,100 (resolution 77/309).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/309);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 156)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/609 and A/77/745

Related report of the Advisory Committee A/77/767/Add.8

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.31 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/926

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Resolution 77/309

153. Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor

The Security Council, by its resolution 1246 (1999), decided to establish the United Nations Mission in East Timor until 31 August 1999. By its resolution 1257 (1999), the Council decided to extend the mandate of the Mission until 30 September 1999 and, by its resolution 1262 (1999), decided to further extend the mandate of the Mission until 30 November 1999.

At its fifty-fifth to seventy-sixth sessions, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the draft agenda of the following session (decisions 55/494, 56/483, 57/599, 58/578, 59/570, 60/567, 61/567, 62/556, 63/567, 64/570, 65/556, 66/570, 67/569, 68/666, 69/565, 70/566, 71/565, 72/574, 73/571, 74/586, 75/587, 76/583 and 77/575).

No advance documentation is expected.

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References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 157)

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.99

Decision 77/575

154. Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo

The Security Council, by its resolution 1244 (1999) of 10 June 1999, established the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) for an initial period of 12 months, to continue thereafter unless the Council decided otherwise.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly appropriated to the special account for UNMIK the amount of \$44,342,400 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$40,666,500 for the maintenance of the Mission, \$3,137,600 for the support account for peacekeeping operations and \$538,300 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$44,342,400 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$4,453,300 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024; and also decided that the increase of \$45,500 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits in the amount of \$745,700 (resolution 77/311).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/311);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 160)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/589 and A/77/723

Related report of the Advisory Committee A/77/767/Add.4

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.29 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/927

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Resolution 77/311

155. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia

The Security Council, by its resolution 1509 (2003), established the United Nations Mission in Liberia (UNMIL) for a period of 12 months. The mandate of UNMIL was extended by the Council in subsequent resolutions, the most recent of which was resolution 2333 (2016), by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission for a final period until 30 March 2018 and requested the Secretary-General to

complete by 30 April 2018 the withdrawal of all uniformed and civilian UNMIL components, other than those required to complete the liquidation of the Mission.

At its seventy-fifth, seventy-sixth and seventy-seventh sessions, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the draft agenda of its seventy-eighth session (decisions 75/553 C, 76/548 C and 77/548 C).

No advance documentation is expected.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 161)

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Decision 77/548 C

156. Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali

The Security Council, by its resolution 2100 (2013), established the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA), which subsumed the United Nations Office in Mali and assumed responsibility, from 25 April 2013, for the discharge of the Office's mandated tasks. The Council transferred the authority from the African-led International Support Mission in Mali to MINUSMA on 1 July 2013, at which point MINUSMA commenced the implementation of its mandate for an initial period of 12 months. By its resolution 2690 (2023), the Council decided to terminate MINUSMA's mandate under resolution 2640 (2022) as of 30 June 2023, and requested the Mission to immediately start on 1 July 2023 the cessation of its operations, transfer of its tasks, as well as the orderly and safe drawdown and withdrawal of its personnel, with the objective of completing this process by 31 December 2023.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the Mission in an amount not exceeding \$590,000,000 gross (\$571,084,900 net) for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2023; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$18,915,100; and also decided that the increase of \$2,123,900 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits from the unencumbered balance and other revenue in the amount of \$43,415,800 (resolution 77/312).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Revised budget for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024;
 - (iii) Budget for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/312);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

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References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 162)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/624 and A/77/755

Related report of the Advisory Committee on A/77/767/Add.12

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.32 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/931

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Resolution 77/312

157. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East

(a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force

The Security Council, by its resolution 350 (1974), established the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF). The mandate of UNDOF was extended periodically by the Council in subsequent resolutions, the latest of which was resolution 2689 (2023), by which the Council decided to renew the mandate of the Force until 31 December 2023.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly appropriated to the special account for UNDOF the amount of \$1,033,900 for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023; \$75,579,600 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$69,314,200 for the maintenance of the Force, \$5,347,900 for the support account for peacekeeping operations and \$917,500 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$37,789,800 for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2023; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$1,115,500; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$37,789,800 for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of \$6,298,300, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Force; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$1,115,500; and decided that the increase of \$124,700 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits in the amount of \$575,700 (resolutions 77/291 A and B).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/291 B);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 163 (a))

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/594 and A/77/725

Note by the Secretary-General A/77/754

Related report of the Advisory A/77/767/Add.2

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.29, 33 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/891 and A/77/891/Add.1

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Resolutions 77/291 A and B

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

The Security Council, by its resolution 425 (1978), established the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) for an initial period of six months. The mandate of UNIFIL was extended periodically by the Council in subsequent resolutions, the latest of which was resolution 2650 (2022), by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force until 31 August 2023.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly stressed once again that Israel should pay the amount of \$1,117,005 resulting from the incident at Qana on 18 April 1996; appropriated to the special account for UNIFIL the amount of \$585,940,100 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$537,367,000 for the maintenance of the Force, \$41,460,000 for the support account for peacekeeping operations and \$7,113,100 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$97,656,700 for the period from 1 July to 31 August 2023; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$3,505,700; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$488,283,400 for the period from 1 September 2022 to 30 June 2023, at a monthly rate of \$48,828,340, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Force; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$17,528,500; and decided that the increase of \$537,100 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits in the amount of \$6,351,200 (resolution 77/313).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/313);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

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References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 163 (b))

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/602 and A/77/740

Related report of the Advisory Committee A/77/767/Add.9

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.29 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/932

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.35

Resolution 77/313

158. Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan

The Security Council, by its resolution 1996 (2011), established, for an initial period of one year, the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS). The mandate of UNMISS was extended by the Council in subsequent resolutions, the latest of which was resolution 2677 (2023), by which it was extended until 15 March 2024.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly appropriated to the special account for UNMISS the amount of \$5,050,000 for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 in addition to the amount of \$1,116,609,000 previously appropriated for the same period; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$5,050,000 for the same period (resolution 77/292 A); appropriated \$1,263,704,100 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$1,148,836,500 for the maintenance of the Mission, \$88,637,400 for the support account for peacekeeping operations, \$15,207,100 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and \$11,023,100 for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$893,425,300 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 15 March 2024; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$27,876,500; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$370,278,800 for the period from 16 March to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of \$105,793,943, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Mission; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$11,553,500; and decided that the increase of \$2,413,100 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits in the amount of \$31,059,000 (resolution 77/292 B).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Mission in South Sudan for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/292 B);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 164)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/627 and A/77/752

Note by the Secretary-General A/77/786

Related report of the Advisory Committee A/77/767/Add.11

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.31 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/892/Add.1

Plenary meetings A/77/PV.73 and 87

Resolutions 77/292 A and B

159. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

The Security Council, by its resolution 690 (1991), established the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO) in accordance with the timetable outlined by the Secretary-General (see S/22464). The Council has since extended the mandate of MINURSO in subsequent resolutions, the latest of which was resolution 2654 (2022), by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 31 October 2023.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly appropriated to the special account for MINURSO the amount of \$71,014,300 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$64,559,200 for the maintenance of the Mission, \$4,981,000 for the support account for peacekeeping operations, \$854,600 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and \$619,500 for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$23,671,400 for the period from 1 July to 31 October 2023; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$1,054,800; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$47,342,900 for the period from 1 November 2023 to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of \$5,917,863, subject to a decision of the Council to extend the mandate of the Mission; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$2,109,500; and decided that the increase of \$152,300 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits in the amount of 1,601,400 dollars (resolution 77/314).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General:
 - (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
 - (ii) Budget for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/314);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 165)

Reports of the Secretary-General A/77/598 and A/77/731

Related report of the Advisory A/77/767/Add.3

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Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.29 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/928

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Resolution 77/314

160. Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur

The Security Council, by its resolution 1769 (2007), decided to authorize and mandate the establishment, for an initial period of 12 months, of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID). By its resolution 2559 (2020), the Council decided to terminate the mandate of UNAMID as of 31 December 2020, and requested the Secretary-General to commence the drawdown of UNAMID personnel on 1 January 2021 and to complete the withdrawal of all uniformed and civilian personnel by 30 June 2021, other than those required for the Operation's liquidation.

At the second resumed part of its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly decided to defer until the second part of its resumed seventy-eighth session consideration of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 (A/77/638) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/77/780) (decision 77/548 C).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the final disposition of assets of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur;

(b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 166)

Report of the Secretary-General A/77/638

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

A/77/780

Summary records A/C.5/77/SR.29 and 35

Report of the Fifth Committee A/77/673/Add.2

Plenary meeting A/77/PV.87

Decision 77/548 C

161. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009)

The Security Council, by its resolution 1863 (2009), expressed its intent to establish a United Nations peacekeeping operation in Somalia as a follow-on force to the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) and requested the Secretary-General to provide a United Nations logistical support package to AMISOM, including equipment and services. The Council, by its resolution 2687 (2023), recalled paragraph 22 of resolution 2628 (2022), extended in paragraph 1 to resolution 2670 (2022), and extended its authorizations until 31 December 2023. The Council also requested the Secretary-General to continue to provide a logistical support package.

At its seventy-seventh session, the General Assembly appropriated to the special account for the United Nations Support Office in Somalia the amount of \$606,742,300 for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of \$\$551,590,900 for the maintenance of the Support Office, \$42,557,400 for the support account for peacekeeping operations, \$7,301,400 for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and \$5,292,600 for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$303,371,200 for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2023; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$6,377,000; apportioned among Member States the amount of \$303,371,100 for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of \$37,921,388, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Support Office; decided that there should be set off against the apportionment among Member States their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of \$6,376,700; and decided that the increase of \$530,400 in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 should be added to the credits in the amount of \$14,109,800 (resolution 77/315).

Documents for the seventy-eighth session:

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General:

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- (i) Budget performance of the United Nations Support Office in Somalia for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;
- (ii) Budget for the United Nations Support Office in Somalia for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (resolution 77/315);
- (b) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

References for the seventy-seventh session (agenda item 167)

Reports of the Secretary-General

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

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