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

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 20 September 2013, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 26th meeting, on 27 December 2013. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee’s consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record ([A/C.5/68/SR.26](#)).

II. Consideration of draft decision [A/C.5/68/L.26](#)

3. At its 26th meeting, on 27 December, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled “Questions deferred for future consideration” ([A/C.5/68/L.26](#)), submitted by the Chair of the Committee.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision [A/C.5/68/L.26](#) without a vote (see para. 5).



III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

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

Questions deferred for future consideration

A

The General Assembly decides to defer until the first part of its resumed sixty-eighth session consideration of the following documents:

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

Civilian capacity

Report of the Secretary-General on civilian capacity in the aftermath of conflict¹

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²

Procurement

Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities³

Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities: procurement governance arrangements within the United Nations⁴

Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities: sustainable procurement⁵

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions⁶

Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of procurement management in the Secretariat⁷

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled “Offshoring in United Nations system organizations: offshore service centres” and his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon⁸

Notes by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled “Environmental profile of the United Nations system of

¹ A/67/312-S/2012/645.

² A/67/583.

³ A/64/284.

⁴ A/64/284/Add.1.

⁵ A/64/284/Add.2.

⁶ A/64/501.

⁷ A/64/369.

⁸ A/65/63 and Add.1.

organizations” and his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon⁹

Report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities¹⁰

Report of the Secretary-General on the pilot project on the independent procurement challenge system¹¹

Report of the Secretary-General in response to the comprehensive report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on United Nations procurement activities¹²

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions¹³

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Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015

United Nations Partnerships Facility

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015, part I, section 1, subsection J¹⁴

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions¹⁵

Reports of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office for Partnerships¹⁶

Construction and property management

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of a flexible workplace at United Nations Headquarters¹⁷

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions¹⁸

Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia

Report of the Secretary-General on the request for a subvention to the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia¹⁹

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²⁰

⁹ A/65/346 and Add.1.

¹⁰ A/67/683 and Corr.1 and 2.

¹¹ A/67/683/Add.1.

¹² A/67/683/Add.2.

¹³ A/67/801.

¹⁴ A/68/6 (Sect.1).

¹⁵ A/68/7.

¹⁶ A/67/165 and Corr.1 and A/68/186.

¹⁷ A/68/387.

¹⁸ A/68/583.

¹⁹ A/68/532.

²⁰ A/68/7/Add.12.

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Human resources management

Report of the Secretary-General on mobility: towards a global, dynamic and adaptable workforce²¹

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²²

Letter dated 22 October 2013 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chair of the Fifth Committee transmitting the letter dated 18 October 2013 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly²³

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

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Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015

Conditions of service of officials other than Secretariat officials: judges

Report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive review of the pension schemes for the members of the International Court of Justice and judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda²⁴

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²⁵

Letter dated 1 February 2012 from the President of the International Court of Justice addressed to the President of the General Assembly²⁶

Report of the Secretary-General on conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials: members of the International Court of Justice and the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, judges and ad litem judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda²⁷

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²⁸

²¹ A/68/358.

²² A/68/601.

²³ A/C.5/68/10.

²⁴ A/66/617.

²⁵ A/66/709.

²⁶ A/66/726.

²⁷ A/68/188.

²⁸ A/68/515 and Corr.1.

Reform of the operational arrangements for the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Letter dated 12 November 2013 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chair of the Fifth Committee transmitting the letter dated 11 November 2013 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly²⁹

Special political missions

Report of the Secretary-General on the review of arrangements for funding and backstopping special political missions³⁰

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions³¹

²⁹ A/C.5/68/13.

³⁰ A/66/340.

³¹ A/66/7/Add.21.