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## RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/827/Add.1)]

## 54/264. Gratis personnel provided by Governments

The General Assembly,

*Reaffirming* its resolutions 51/243 of 15 September 1997, 52/234 of 26 June 1998 and 53/218 of 7 April 1999.

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General<sup>1</sup> and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>2</sup>

- 1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General<sup>1</sup> and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>2</sup>
- 2. *Endorses* the observations of the Advisory Committee in its report,<sup>3</sup> in particular paragraphs 2 and 4, and requests that all future proposals by the Secretary-General on gratis personnel and the subsequent implementation of legislative mandates be in full compliance with relevant General Assembly resolutions and fully respect the relevant policies, procedures and regulations of the United Nations;
- 3. *Stresses* the need for an effective monitoring system in the Office of Human Resources Management of the Secretariat with regard to delegation of authority for gratis personnel to offices away from Headquarters;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A/53/1028, A/54/533, A/C.5/54/51 and A/C.5/54/54.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A/54/470; see also *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Fifth Committee*, 39<sup>th</sup>, 56<sup>th</sup> and 67<sup>th</sup> meetings (A/C.5/54/SR.39, 56 and 67), and corrigendum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A/54/470.

- 4. *Notes with concern* the inaccurate information provided in paragraph 8 of the report of the Secretary-General<sup>4</sup> and clarified in paragraph 7 of his subsequent report<sup>5</sup> with regard to the type II gratis personnel not reported previously by the United Nations Environment Programme;
  - 5. Recalls the existing mandates under the relevant General Assembly resolutions on gratis personnel;
- 6. Reaffirms that the circumstances in which the Secretary-General can accept gratis personnel shall be in strict compliance with the provisions of its resolution 51/243, in particular paragraphs 4 and 9, and its resolution 52/234, in particular paragraph 10;
- 7. Expresses its concern that detailed and comprehensive information on the use of gratis personnel in the case of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 was not provided, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to submit all future reports on gratis personnel in strict compliance with the provisions of paragraph 15 of its resolution 52/234;
- 8. *Decides* to continue, at the main part of its fifty-fifth session, its consideration of the question of gratis personnel provided by Governments.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> A/53/1028.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> A/54/533.