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To: Members of the Staff of United Nations

Subject: SECRETARIAT RESPONSIBILITIES IN CONNEXION WITH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS 377 (V) "UNITING FOR  
PEACE", AND 494 (V) "DEVELOPMENT OF A 20-YEAR PROGRAMME  
FOR ACHIEVING PEACE THROUGH THE UNITED NATIONS"

1. A Secretariat Committee is hereby established responsible for the planning, direction and co-ordination of Secretariat activities in the implementation of those sections of General Assembly resolution 377 (V) "Uniting for peace" pertaining to the Collective Measures Committee and the Panel of Military Experts, and resolution 494 (V) "Development of a 20-year programme for achieving peace through the United Nations". The Committee is composed of three persons appointed by the Secretary-General from the Executive Office of the Secretary-General, the Department of Security Council Affairs and the Legal Department respectively.
2. The Department of Security Council Affairs is responsible for Secretariat activities in the implementation of that part of General Assembly resolution 377 (V) pertaining to the Peace Observation Commission.
3. A Special Unit is hereby established under the direction of a special representative of the Secretary-General and administratively attached to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General to assist the Secretariat Committee in co-ordinating all Secretariat activities relating to the responsibilities of the Secretary-General in respect to those parts of the two resolutions mentioned above which fall within the terms of reference of the Secretariat Committee. The Special Unit will report directly to the Secretary-General through the Executive Assistant.
4. The Special Unit will provide a committee secretary and necessary staff for the Collective Measures Committee.

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5. The Communications and Records Division will ensure the routing of communications which deal specifically with either of the two resolutions, as follows:

(a) Communications relating specifically to the Peace Observation Commission will be routed to the Department of Security Council Affairs through its branch registry;

(b) Communications relating to all other aspects of the two resolutions mentioned above will be routed to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General through its branch registry.

6. Other departments of the Secretariat will reroute any communications received by them, which may have a significant relationship to the subject of the two resolutions, to the Special Unit for information either before or after action has been taken, as appropriate.

7. Communications, documents, public statements and press releases originating in the Secretariat on any subject within the terms of reference of the Secretariat Committee referred to in paragraph 1 above will be submitted to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General for clearance.

8. Membership of the Secretariat Committee and Related Bodies

The members of the Secretariat Committee and other bodies referred to above are announced by Information Circular, ST/AFS/SER.A/98.

By direction of the Secretary-General

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