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ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY CO-ORDINATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS
WITH THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC
ENERGY AGENCY

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 18 September 1987, the General Assembly decided, on the recommendation of the General Committee, to include in its agenda and to allocate to the Fifth Committee the item entitled:

"Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency:

" (a) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

" (b) Effective administrative and budgetary co-ordination within the framework of the United Nations system: report of the Secretary-General;

" (c) Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal: report of the Secretary-General".

2. The Fifth Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/41/671 and A/42/683);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting a statement by the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination (A/C.5/41/23) ;

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on the feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal (A/42/328) .

3. The Committee considered this item at its 23rd, 29th, 35th, 63rd and 64th meetings, on 6, 12 and 18 November, and 16 December 1987. Comments and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/42/SR.23, 29, 35, 63 and 64).

II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

4. At the 63rd meeting, on 16 December, the Chairman introduced a draft resolution (A/C.5/42/L.17) entitled "Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal".

5. At the 64th meeting, on 16 December, the representative of Norway proposed oral amendments to draft resolution A/C.5/42/L.17, as follows: in operative paragraph 1 (a), the word "interested" would be deleted, and the phrase "feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal" would be enclosed within quotation marks and the "f" capitalised, so that the title of the report of the Secretary-General would be rendered in the same way as in the first preambular paragraph.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/42/L.17, as orally amended, without a vote (see para. 9).

7. At that meeting, the Chairman proposed that the Committee recommend that the General Assembly (a) take note with appreciation of the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/41/671 and A/42/683); (b) request the Secretary-General to refer those reports to the executive heads of the organizations of the United Nations system, through the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination; and (c) transmit the reports of the Advisory Committee to the Board of Auditors, the Panel of External Auditors, the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, the International Civil Service Commission and the Joint Inspection Unit for their information.

8. The Committee then proceeded to adopt, without objection, the draft decision proposed by the Chairman (see para. 10).

III. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

9. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal

The General Assembly,

Taking note of ~~the~~ report of the Secretary-General entitled "Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal", 1/

Noting also that the **International** Labour Organisation has under consideration proposals corresponding to those appearing in the report of the Secretary-General,

1. Requests the Secretary-General:

(a) To arrange for consultations among Member States to take **place** in New York during the first part of 1988 for the purpose of examining the proposals included in the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal", bearing in mind the **technical, legal** and administrative aspects of the matter;

(b) To invite the Director-General of the International Labour Office to be represented at such consultations;

(c) To report to the Assembly at its forty-third session on the outcome of such consultations and to present proposals designed to enable the Assembly to conclude its consideration of this item at that session;

2. Decides to include in the **provisional** agenda of its forty-third session under the item entitled "Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the **specialized** agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency" a sub-item entitled "**Harmonization** of the statutes, rules and practices of the **administrative tribunals** of the International Labour Organisation and of the United Nations".

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10. The Fifth Committee also recommends to the General **Assembly** the adoption of the following draft decision:

The General Assembly

(a) Takes note with appreciation of the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the **United Nations** with the **specialized** agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency; 2/

1/ A/42/328.

2/ A/41/671 and A/42/683.

(b) Requests the Secretary-General to refer those reports to the executive heads of the organisations of the United Nations system, through the **Administrative** Committee on Co-ordination;

(c) Transmits the reports of the Advisory Committee to the Board of Auditors, the Panel of External Auditors, the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, the International Civil Service Commission and the Joint Inspection Unit for their information.
