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Report of the Economic and Social Council

Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 15 September 1998, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-third session the item entitled "Report of the Economic and Social Council" and to allocate chapters I, VIII (sections B and C) and X of the report of the Council to the Fifth Committee.¹
2. The Fifth Committee considered the chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council that had been allocated to it at its 28th meeting, on 16 November 1998. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/53/SR.28).
3. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, without objection, to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of the chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council that had been allocated to the Fifth Committee (see para. 4).

Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

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

Report of the Economic and Social Council

The General Assembly takes note of chapters I, VIII (sections B and C) and X of the report of the Economic and Social Council.²

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-third Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/53/3).*

² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-third Session, Supplement No. 3 (A/53/3).*