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

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on management audit review of outsourcing in the United Nations funds and programmes

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its previous resolutions on the Joint Inspection Unit, in particular resolutions 50/233 of 7 June 1996, 54/16 of 29 October 1999, 55/230 of 23 December 2000, 56/245 of 24 December 2001 and 57/284 of 20 December 2002,

Also reaffirming its resolutions 54/256 of 7 April 2000 and 55/232 of 23 December 2000 on outsourcing practices,

Having considered the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on management audit review of outsourcing in the United Nations and United Nations funds and programmes,¹ the report of the Secretary-General² and paragraphs 5 to 7 and 9 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,³

1. *Takes note* of recommendation 1;
2. *Also takes note* of recommendation 2 and the related comments of the Secretary-General;
3. *Endorses* recommendation 3 (a);
4. *Takes note* of recommendations 4 and 5, as well as of the related comments of the Secretary-General and Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

¹ A/58/92.

² A/58/92/Add.1.

³ A/58/389.



5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that contractors whose staff are present on the United Nations premises on a regular basis are held accountable for conducting individual background checks at their own costs;

6. *Endorses* recommendations 7 to 9;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to share the experience of the United Nations Procurement Division in the use of its new formats for monitoring, evaluating and certifying supplier performance under outsourced contracts with the membership of the Inter-Agency Procurement Working Group and to report to the General Assembly thereon in the context of his next report on outsourcing practices.
