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The meeting was called to order at 3.25 p.m.

Agenda item 110: Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.84)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.84

1. **Mr. Dragulescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.84.

2. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.84 was adopted.*

Agenda item 111: Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (continued)

Gratis personnel provided by Governments and other entities (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.65)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.65

3. **Mr. Dragulescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.65.

4. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.65 was adopted.*

Agenda item 112: Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (continued)

Standards of accommodation for air travel (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.64)

Draft decision A/C.5/57/L.64

5. **Mr. Ivashchenko** (Ukraine) introduced draft decision A/C.5/57/L.64 on behalf of the Chairman.

6. *Draft decision A/C.5/57/L.64 was adopted.*

Salary and retirement allowance of the Secretary-General and salary and pensionable remuneration of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.74)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.74

7. **Mr. Kendall** (Argentina), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.74.

8. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.74 was adopted.*

Financial situation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.88)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.88

9. **Mr. Tilemans** (Belgium), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.88.

10. **Mr. Stoffer** (United States of America) said that while his delegation had no wish to prevent the draft resolution from being adopted, it dissociated itself from the consensus on the action it proposed. He recalled that the Committee had agreed to a subvention of \$600,000 for the Institute in December 2001 and an allocation of \$250,000 in December 2002. The present draft resolution would approve a further allocation of \$250,000 from the contingency fund. His delegation hoped and expected that the regular budget and the contingency fund would no longer be used to provide resources for the Institute and that a Director would soon be appointed to help the Institute raise its own funds and pursue its potentially valuable work.

11. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.88 was adopted.*

12. **Ms. Afifi** (Morocco), speaking on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, urged the Secretary-General to appoint a Director at the D-2 level at the Institute's headquarters in the Dominican Republic without delay. A permanent solution should be found to the Institute's financial problems so that it could fulfil its mandate. Her group was grateful to the Member States which had made or pledged financial contributions to the Institute since the adoption of General Assembly resolution 57/580, and appealed to other Member States to follow suit.

13. **Ms. Arce de Gabay** (Peru), speaking on behalf of the Rio Group, said that her group associated itself with the statement of the Group of 77 and China. Consensus on the draft resolution had furthered the implementation of General Assembly resolution 57/580. A Director should be appointed for the Institute, in line with the recommendations of the Office of Internal Oversight Services, the Working Group on the Future Operations of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women and the outcome of the Committee's informal consultations on the matter. Together with the allocation of \$250,000, that would allow the Institute to revitalize its operation and continue its research and training for the advancement of women.

14. **Mr. Villanueva Callot** (Dominican Republic) said that his delegation associated itself with the statements of the Group of 77 and China and the Rio Group. The second \$250,000 instalment, making up the full \$500,000 allocation recommended by the Working Group on the Future Operations of the Institute, and the appointment of a Director, in line with General Assembly resolution 57/175, would help to revitalize the Institute. By allocating the Organization's resources to entities which served the developing world, the Committee would be taking another step in the right direction. The Institute was the only United Nations body which focused entirely on research and training to give women an integral role in development, it was one of only three United Nations bodies based in a developing country, and it was the only such body based in Latin America. Member States should lend the Institute all possible political support and make whatever voluntary contributions they could, in order to give it a lasting financial base and the institutional structure it needed to carry out its work without interruption.

Outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO (continued)
(A/C.5/57/L.90)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.90

15. **Mr. Dragulescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.90.

16. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.90 was adopted.*

17. **Ms. Goicochea** (Cuba) said she wished to emphasize that Cuba's support of paragraph 4 of the draft resolution was the result of a desire for consensus in the Committee. Her delegation had agreed with that paragraph's specific reference to rule 105.6 (a) of the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation only in connection with the present draft resolution. That did not affect her delegation's position on any similar reference to rule 105.6 (a) in connection with another section of the programme budget. Moreover, it was her delegation's understanding that the reference to rule 105.6 (a) in the present draft resolution applied only to the 50 per cent of the budget of the International Trade Centre which was met by the United Nations. It had no bearing on decisions relating

to the 50 per cent of the budget that was met by the World Trade Organization, which was an independent body and had its own rules.

Agenda item 122: Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (continued)

Management review of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (continued)
(A/C.5/57/L.94)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.94

18. **Mr. Kelapile** (Botswana) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.94 on behalf of the Chairman.

19. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.94 was adopted.*

20. **Ms. Goicochea** (Cuba) said that the report on measures relating to the administration and management of the Office of the High Commissioner which paragraphs 2 and 3 of the draft resolution were requesting from the Secretary-General must be debated at intergovernmental level, along with any recommendations of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS). Her delegation believed that certain recommendations in the OIOS report on the management review (A/57/488) exceeded the mandate of OIOS. It wished to express reservations in that regard, and would comment further on them during the intergovernmental debate on the administration and management of the Office of the High Commissioner described in paragraph 3 of the draft resolution.

Agenda item 126: Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (continued)

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.79)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.79

21. **Mr. Tilemans** (Belgium), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.79.

22. **Mr. Stoffer** (United States of America) said that his delegation wished to inform the Committee that as of 1 May 2003 the United States of America had paid \$134,471,000 towards peacekeeping assessments of \$138,948,000 for the 2003 calendar year, or 96.6 per

cent of the total. It had also paid \$226,624,000 towards outstanding assessments from previous years. Its payments therefore amounted to \$361,095,000.

23. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.79 was adopted.*

24. **Ms. Goicochea** (Cuba) said that her delegation attached great importance to the draft resolution, which had been produced in response to the first-ever overview report on the financing of peacekeeping operations. However, it wished to emphasize its understanding of paragraph 5 of the draft text, which called on the Secretariat to supply the Member States with full justification of the resources being requested. It took it that the Secretariat would not change the current form of budget reports and would continue to provide full information. The Member States needed a clear view of how the contributions which they made in proportion to their ability to pay would be used.

25. **Ms. Udo** (Nigeria) said it was her delegation's understanding that the present draft resolution covered broad policy issues rather than financing considerations for individual peacekeeping operations. In that connection, it wished to point out that high vacancy rates in peacekeeping missions, particularly those in Africa, undermined their effectiveness. It therefore urged the Secretary-General to take speedy action to implement paragraphs 16 to 18 of the draft resolution, and hoped that the next overview report would not indicate that the problem was still present.

Management of contingent-owned equipment arrangements (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.71)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.71

26. **Mr. Getachew** (Ethiopia), Rapporteur, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.71.

27. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.71 was adopted.*

Status of the implementation of the strategic deployment stocks (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.72)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.72

28. **Mr. Kendall** (Argentina), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.72.

29. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.72 was adopted.*

Death and disability benefits (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.73)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.73

30. **Mr. Getachew** (Ethiopia), Rapporteur, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.73.

31. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.73 was adopted.*

Peacekeeping Reserve Fund (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.76)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.76

32. **Mr. Tilemans** (Belgium), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.76.

33. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.76 was adopted.*

Write-off of contingent-owned equipment at liquidated missions (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.77)

Draft decision A/C.5/57/L.77

34. **Mr. Getachew** (Ethiopia), Rapporteur, introduced draft decision A/C.5/57/L.77.

35. **Mr. Saizonou** (Benin) pointed out that the French version of the draft decision contained a mistake: it was entitled "projet de résolution" rather than "projet de décision".

36. *Draft decision A/C.5/57/L.77 was adopted.*

Support account for peacekeeping operations (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.85)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.85

37. **Mr. Tilemans** (Belgium), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.85.

38. **The Chairman** drew attention to document A/C.5/57/38, which detailed the amounts to be apportioned in respect of each peacekeeping mission, including the pro-rated share of the support account and the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi.

39. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.85 was adopted.*

The meeting was suspended at 4.15 p.m. and resumed at 4.30 p.m.

40. **Mr. Hammerschmidt** (Canada), speaking on behalf of Canada, Australia and New Zealand, said that

he welcomed the creation of the gender adviser post within the Department of Peacekeeping Operations but believed that the post merited a higher classification. The fundamental element of gender mainstreaming was establishing the relevant capacity within the various organizational units: divided accountability did not work. He understood that the reference to the Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women in paragraph 21 of the draft resolution was a reference to its coordination and advisory role and recalled that, in accordance with the Beijing Platform for Action, gender mainstreaming was the responsibility of the Secretary-General and of all United Nations departments, funds and programmes. Consistent with policy direction on gender mainstreaming, nothing in the draft resolution prevented the Secretary-General from proposing to strengthen gender capacity in other parts of the Secretariat where necessary.

41. **Mr. Bouheddou** (Algeria) said that his delegation attached particular importance to the decision contained in paragraph 14 of the draft resolution. He hoped that the next report of the Secretary-General on the support account would contain the information necessary to facilitate the planned review of the existing posts.

42. **Ms. Lock** (South Africa) stressed that her delegation had agreed to the language used in paragraph 18 of the draft resolution on the understanding that the arrangement described therein did not apply to individual peacekeeping missions, posts funded from the regular budget or tribunal posts and that the decision would not have a negative impact on the role of the United Nations in the area of the maintenance of international peace and security. In addition, her delegation had expressed its concern that, although the arrangement in question might ensure greater accountability from the Secretariat in the area of recruitment, it might also further increase the already unacceptably high vacancy rates. She looked forward to receiving information on the practical impact of the decision at the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly.

43. **Mr. Elnaggar** (Egypt), referring to paragraphs 20 to 23 of the draft resolution, said he agreed that divided accountability was not an appropriate management approach. In that context, he appreciated the reference in paragraph 22 to the importance of not duplicating functions and capacities. Streamlining of management

was essential to the work and efficiency of the Secretariat.

44. **Ms. Goicochea** (Cuba) said that she wished to associate herself with the statements made by the representatives of Algeria, South Africa and Egypt.

45. **Mr. Ramlal** (Trinidad and Tobago), referring in particular to paragraphs 20 to 24 of the draft resolution, said he agreed with other delegations that, consistent with the legislative mandates adopted by various organs of the United Nations, including the Security Council, the gender adviser post deserved a high classification. He stressed the need for the creation of a senior gender adviser capacity within the Department of Peacekeeping Operations.

Feasibility of consolidating the accounts of the various peacekeeping operations (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.86)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.86

46. **Mr. Tilemans** (Belgium), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.86.

47. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.86 was adopted.*

48. **Mr. Elnaggar** (Egypt) said that consolidating the accounts of the various peacekeeping operations was one way to solve the problem of outstanding reimbursements to troop-contributing countries. It would also help to resolve the difficulties relating to the budget for peacekeeping operations caused by the late payment or non-payment of assessed contributions by Member States.

49. His delegation stressed that the planned report of the Secretary-General on the issue of consolidation should be clear and comprehensive and study the impact of consolidation on all interested parties. It should contain all the relevant information necessary to enable Member States to take an informed decision on the matter. In addition, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) should submit its observations on the impact of the proposal so that the appropriate decisions could be taken.

Financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.91)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.91

50. **Mr. Kendall** (Argentina), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.91.

51. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.91 was adopted.*

Review of the rates of reimbursements to the Governments of troop-contributing States (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.92)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.92

52. **Mr. Getachew** (Ethiopia), Rapporteur, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.92.

53. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.92 was adopted.*

Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the policies and procedures of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations for recruiting international civilian staff for field missions (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.93)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.93

54. **Mr. Kelapile** (Botswana) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.93 on behalf of the Chairman.

55. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.93 was adopted.*

Agenda item 127: Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East (continued)

(a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.70)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.70

56. **Mr. Kendall** (Argentina), Vice-Chairman, introducing draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.70, said that the amounts indicated in the third line of paragraph 19 and in the fifth line of paragraph 21 should be \$40,009,200 and \$982,100, respectively.

57. **Ms. Pollard** (Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division) said, with regard to paragraph 9 of the draft resolution, that the Secretariat's interpretation of the phrase "takes note of" would be in conformity with General Assembly decision 55/488. In the annex to that decision, the Assembly reiterated that "takes

note of" and "notes" were neutral terms that constituted neither approval nor disapproval.

58. **Mr. Sabbagh** (Syrian Arab Republic) requested the Secretariat to draw the attention of the administration of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force to the provisions of General Assembly decision 55/488 and to transmit to it a copy of the summary record of the meeting at which the Secretariat had explained the meaning of the phrase "takes note of" so as to avoid any misunderstanding.

59. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.70, as orally revised, was adopted.*

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.78)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.78

60. **The Chairman** drew attention to draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.78, submitted by the delegation of Morocco on behalf of the Group of 77 and China. The draft resolution had been introduced at the Committee's 55th meeting, on Thursday, 29 May 2003.

61. **Mr. Ramadan** (Lebanon) asked whether the amount indicated in paragraph 14 of the draft resolution reflected the total cost resulting from the incident at Qana.

62. **Ms. Pollard** (Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division) said that the amount in question was the sum due from the Government of Israel in connection with the incident.

63. **Mr. Wittmann** (United States of America) recalled that, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 41/213, all possible efforts should be made with a view to establishing the broadest possible agreement on decisions taken by the Committee. However, the draft resolution introduced by the delegation of Morocco on behalf of the Group of 77 and China was the same text on which delegations had failed to achieve consensus in informal consultations. The fourth preambular paragraph and paragraphs 3, 4 and 14 violated the principle of collective responsibility for the expenses of the Organization set out in Article 17 of the Charter of the United Nations. His delegation therefore would like a single recorded vote on those paragraphs.

64. *At the request of the representative of the United States of America, a single recorded vote was taken on*

the fourth preambular paragraph and on paragraphs 3, 4 and 14 of the draft resolution.

In favour:

Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against:

Israel, United States of America.

Abstaining:

Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Serbia and Montenegro, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay.

65. *The fourth preambular paragraph and paragraphs 3, 4 and 14 of draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.78 were adopted by 80 votes to 2, with 47 abstentions.*

66. **Mr. Sermoneta** (Israel) said that, as in previous years, his delegation had voted against the paragraphs

and would vote against the draft resolution as a whole. Its position on the substantive issue referred to in those paragraphs was well known, and it would therefore refrain from reiterating it out of respect for the spirit of professionalism that should characterize the work of the Committee. However, it wished to underscore that the paragraphs voted on, in which one Member State was singled out, were inappropriate in a financing resolution and that their inclusion in the draft text ran counter to the established practice of the Committee and damaged its credibility and reputation.

67. **Mr. Ramadan** (Lebanon) said that his delegation respected the principle of collective responsibility for the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations. However, it also wished to emphasize the principle of responsibility of States for their international wrongful acts and for the consequences of such acts. That principle was enshrined in the Charter and was implied in paragraph 1 (e) of General Assembly resolution 55/235, which stated that, where circumstances warranted, the Assembly should give special consideration to the situation of any Member States which were victims of, and those which were otherwise involved in, the events or actions leading to a peacekeeping operation. It was on that basis that eight previous General Assembly resolutions had requested the payment of compensation to the United Nations for the damage incurred as a result of the attack on the peacekeeping post in Qana. That request was reiterated in the fourth preambular paragraph and in paragraphs 2, 3 and 14 of the draft resolution before the Committee.

68. **Ms. Arce de Gabay** (Peru) said that, while her delegation had voted in favour of the paragraphs, it believed that the political elements they contained would be best dealt with in a different context.

69. **Mr. Wittmann** (United States of America) said that, although his delegation strongly supported the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), it could not endorse the draft text, which contained paragraphs that were unacceptable to his delegation. It therefore wished to request a recorded vote on the draft resolution as a whole.

70. *At the request of the representative of the United States of America, a recorded vote was taken on the draft resolution as a whole.*

In favour:

Algeria, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia and Montenegro, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against:

Israel, United States of America.

Abstaining:

None.

71. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.78 as a whole was adopted by 129 votes to 2.*

72. **Ms. Thorpe** (Australia), speaking also on behalf of Canada and New Zealand, said that those delegations were pleased that the adoption of the draft resolution provided for the necessary continuation of the financing of UNIFIL, but were concerned that the paragraphs voted on separately contained political elements inappropriate for a financing resolution. They

had therefore abstained in that vote. The paragraphs in question undermined longstanding budgetary principles on the financing of peacekeeping operations based on collective responsibility. Only 23 Member States had met their financial obligations to UNIFIL in full and Member States were therefore urged to pay their assessed contributions without delay.

73. **Mr. Vassilakis** (Greece), speaking on behalf of the European Union countries, said that they had abstained from the vote on the fourth preambular paragraph and paragraphs 3, 4 and 14 but had voted in favour of the draft resolution as a whole. Their position on the issues involved was well known and had been expressed on previous occasions.

Agenda item 128: Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo
(continued) (A/C.5/57/L.67)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.67

74. **Ms. Wahab** (Indonesia) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.67 on behalf of the Chairman.

75. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.67 was adopted.*

76. **Mr. Elnaggar** (Egypt) said that his delegation wished to draw attention to the reservations expressed in the related report of the Advisory Committee (A/57/772/Add.5) concerning the estimates for communications and information technology for the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK). As the Advisory Committee stated, it was difficult to understand how additional resources could be required for communications and information technology at a time when the Mission was in the process of downsizing its activities. Regrettably, no convincing argument for the proposed increase had been presented by the Secretariat in its responses to the questions put by Member States. He trusted that the Advisory Committee's comments would be taken into account in the preparation of future budgets for UNMIK and other peacekeeping operations.

77. **Mr. Vassilakis** (Greece), speaking on behalf of the European Union countries, urged the Secretariat to take note of the Advisory Committee's comments on the estimates for UNMIK for communications and information technology (A/57/772/Add. 5, paras. 40 and 41).

Agenda item 129: Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor and the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.80)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.80

78. **Ms. Samayoa-Recari** (Guatemala) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.80 on behalf of the Chairman.

79. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.80 was adopted.*

Agenda item 130: Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.66)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.66

80. **Mr. Elkhuisen** (Netherlands) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.66, on behalf of the Chairman.

81. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.66 was adopted.*

Agenda item 131: Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.87)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.87

82. **Mr. Dragulescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.87.

83. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.87 was adopted.*

Agenda item 132: Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991) (continued)

(a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.81)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.81

84. **Ms. Buchanan** (New Zealand) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.81 on behalf of the Chairman.

85. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.81 was adopted.*

Agenda item 134: Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.82)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.82

86. **Mr. Pulido** (Venezuela) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.82.

87. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.82 was adopted.*

Agenda item 135: Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.83)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.83

88. **Ms. Aguinaldo** (Philippines) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.83 on behalf of the Chairman.

89. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.83 was adopted.*

Agenda item 142: Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.69)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.69

90. **Mr. Kendall** (Argentina), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.69.

91. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.69 was adopted.*

Agenda item 143: Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.68)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.68

92. **Mr. Getachew** (Ethiopia), Rapporteur, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.68.

93. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.68 was adopted.*

Agenda item 147: Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (continued) (A/C.5/57/L.95)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.95

94. **Mr. Cano** (Nicaragua) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.95 on behalf of the Chairman.

95. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.95 was adopted.*

Agenda item 151: Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (*continued*) (A/C.5/57/L.75)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.75

96. **Ms. Stanley** (Ireland) introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.75 on behalf of the Chairman.

97. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.75 was adopted.*

Agenda item 126: Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (*continued*)

Support account for peacekeeping operations. Financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (A/C.5/57/38)

98. **Ms. Pollard** (Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division), introducing the note by the Secretary-General on the support account for peacekeeping operations and financing of the United Nations Logistics Base, Brindisi, Italy (A/C.5/57/38), said that the amounts to be apportioned in respect of each peacekeeping mission, including the prorated share of the support account and of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, were set out in the annex to the document.

99. **The Chairman** said he took it that the Committee wished to take note of the information provided by the Secretariat in document A/C.5/57/38.

100. *It was so decided.*

Agenda item 126: Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (*continued*)

Agenda item 131: Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola (*continued*)

Agenda item 136: Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan (*continued*)

Agenda item 137: Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (*continued*)

Agenda item 138: Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (*continued*)

Agenda item 139: Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters (*continued*)

Agenda item 140: Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II (*continued*)

Agenda item 141: Financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique (*continued*)

Agenda item 144: Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (*continued*)

Agenda item 145: Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia (*continued*)

Agenda item 146: Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (*continued*)

Agenda item 148: Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium and the Civilian Police Support Group (*continued*)

Agenda item 149: Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti (*continued*)

Agenda item 150: Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic (*continued*)

Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.89

101. **Mr. Dragulescu** (Romania), Vice-Chairman, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.89 on closed peacekeeping missions.

102. *Draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.89 was adopted.*

103. **Mr. Vassilakis** (Greece), speaking on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, and, in addition, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway,

said that the last three lines of paragraph 3 of the resolution did not constitute a condition for the return of the remaining cash but an explanation. He therefore hoped that the expected date would be respected.

Agenda item 111: Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (*continued*)

Questions deferred for future consideration

Draft decision A/C.5/57/L.96

104. **Mr. Kendall** (Argentina), Vice-Chairman, said that his delegation had been coordinator for the following two questions under agenda item 112: the report of the Secretary-General on conditions of service and compensation for officials, other than Secretariat officials, serving the General Assembly: full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/C.5/57/35); and the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Support costs related to extrabudgetary activities in organizations of the United Nations system" (A/57/442). It having been proposed that discussion of those questions should be deferred to the fifty-eighth session, he would like to request that they should be given priority.

105. **Mr. Wittmann** (United States of America) endorsed the request by the representative of Argentina.

106. *Draft decision A/C.5/57/L.96 was adopted.*

Completion of the work of the Fifth Committee at the second part of the resumed fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly

107. **The Chairman** declared that the Fifth Committee had thus completed its work at the second part of the resumed fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly.

The meeting rose at 6.10 p.m.