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PERSONNEL QUESTIONS

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on  
personnel problems in the United Nations

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Secretary-General, with the agreement of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, transmits herewith to the General Assembly a report on personnel problems in the United Nations by Mr. Maurice Bertrand, member of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU/REP/71/7).<sup>1/</sup>
2. The Secretary-General's preliminary comments on this report, which was received on 23 August 1971, are currently being compiled. They will be submitted to the Advisory Committee in accordance with established procedures. Mr. Bertrand's report deals with several topics that are related to the mandate entrusted by the General Assembly in resolution 2743 (XXV) to the Special Committee for the Review of the United Nations Salary System. Accordingly the Special Committee may wish to give consideration to Mr. Bertrand's report when it resumes its work in 1972.
3. In the circumstances, and bearing in mind that the Administrative Management Service has not yet surveyed the Office of Personnel, the Secretary-General's initial comments on the report by Mr. Bertrand may have to be supplemented by a fuller submission to the General Assembly at its twenty-seventh session.

\* For practical reasons, the present document has been divided into two parts.

<sup>1/</sup> In the interest of economy and in accordance with the recommendations of the General Assembly, there will be a limited initial distribution of the report.

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4. The Secretary-General has assumed that the General Assembly would wish to consider this report, and the relevant comments thereon, under the related substantive agenda item, as shown above.