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ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY ASPECTS OF THE FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 20 September 1996, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-first session the item entitled "Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.
- 2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 23rd, 27th, 31st, 33rd and 47th meetings, on 7, 13, 21 and 27 November and 18 December 1996. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/51/SR.23, 27, 31, 33) and 47).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.5/51/L.34

- 3. At the 47th meeting, on 18 December, the representative of $\underline{\text{Belgium}}$ introduced a draft resolution, entitled "Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations" (A/C.5/51/L.34), submitted by the Chairman of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations.
- 4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 7).

- 5. Statements were made by the representatives of Nepal, Slovakia, Australia, the United States of America, Zambia, the Czech Republic, Canada and New Zealand (A/C.5/51/SR.47).
- 6. The Controller then made a statement, as did the representative of India (see A/C.5/51/SR.47).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

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

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973, 43/232 of 1 March 1989, 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992, 49/249 A of 20 July 1995 and 49/249 B of 14 September 1995 and its decisions 48/472 A of 23 December 1993 and 50/451 B of 23 December 1995 concerning the composition of groups for the apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations,

<u>Recalling also</u> its resolution 46/206 of 20 December 1991, in particular paragraph 6 thereof, in which it endorsed the recommendations of the Committee for Development Planning regarding the inclusion of Zambia, among others, in the list of least developed countries,

Decides, as an ad hoc arrangement, in respect of the apportionment of peacekeeping expenses, that, from 1 January 1997, Zambia should be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (d) of its resolution 43/232, and that its contributions to the financing of peacekeeping operations should be calculated in accordance with the scale of assessments approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 49/19 B of 23 December 1994 and its decision 50/471 A of 23 December 1995 and subsequent resolutions to be adopted by the Assembly concerning future scales of assessment.

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973, 43/232 of 1 March 1989, 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992, 49/249 A of 20 July 1995 and 49/249 B of 14 September 1995 and its decisions 48/472 A of 23 December 1993 and 50/451 B of 23 December 1995 concerning the composition of groups for the apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations,

Recalling also its resolution 48/223 A of 23 December 1993, in which it set the rate of assessment for the regular budget for the Czech Republic,

- 1. <u>Welcomes</u> the readiness of the Czech Republic to be placed in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (b) of General Assembly resolution 43/232 from 1 January 1997;
- 2. <u>Decides</u>, as an ad hoc arrangement, in respect of the apportionment of peacekeeping expenses, that, from 1 January 1997, the Czech Republic shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (b) of resolution 43/232, and that its contributions to the financing of peacekeeping operations should be calculated in accordance with the scale of assessments approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 49/19 B of 23 December 1994 and its decision 50/471 A of 23 December 1995 and subsequent resolutions to be adopted by the Assembly concerning future scales of assessments;
- 3. <u>Decides also</u>, as an ad hoc arrangement, in respect of the apportionment of peacekeeping expenses, that, for the period from its admission on 19 January 1993 to 31 December 1996, the Czech Republic shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of resolution 43/232, and that its contributions to the financing of peacekeeping operations for this period shall be calculated in accordance with the scales of assessments approved by the General Assembly in its resolutions 46/221 A of 20 December 1991, 48/223 A and 49/19 B and its decisions 47/456 of 23 December 1992 and 50/471 A;
- 4. Recalls that, in accordance with paragraph 2 of resolution 48/223 A, for the year of its admission, the Czech Republic shall contribute at the rate of one twelfth of its rate of assessment for each full month of membership; its contribution in the case of appropriations or apportionments approved by the General Assembly for the financing of peacekeeping operations shall be calculated in proportion to the calendar year;
- 5. <u>Decides</u> that, notwithstanding the provisions of General Assembly resolution 48/223 A, the 1993 assessments of the Czech Republic for peacekeeping operations shall be credited to Member States included in the groups set out in paragraphs 3 (b), (c) and (d) of Assembly resolution 43/232, as adjusted by subsequent resolutions, and that the relative shares for 1993 shall be calculated on the same basis as set out in paragraph 6 below;
- 6. <u>Decides also</u> that the contributions of the Czech Republic for the financing of peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 January 1994 to 31 December 1996 shall be credited to Member States in proportion to their effective rates of assessment for the financing of peacekeeping operations during the period, subject to the following:
- (a) Member States included in the groups set out in paragraphs 3 (c) and (d) of General Assembly resolution 43/232, as adjusted by subsequent resolutions, shall be credited with the full amount by which their aggregate contributions for the financing of peacekeeping operations during the period in question exceeded the aggregate level that would have applied had the Czech Republic been included in one of the groups of Member States set out in paragraph 3 of resolution 43/232, as adjusted by subsequent resolutions;

(b) The full balance of the contributions of the Czech Republic for the financing of peacekeeping operations for the period in question, after provision for crediting Member States pursuant to paragraph 6 (a) above, shall be credited to Member States included in the group set out in paragraph 3 (b) of General Assembly resolution 43/232, as adjusted by subsequent resolutions.

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973, 43/232 of 1 March 1989, 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992, 49/249 A of 20 July 1995 and 49/249 B of 14 September 1995 and its decisions 48/472 A of 23 December 1993 and 50/451 B of 23 December 1995 concerning the composition of groups for the apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations,

Recalling also its resolution 48/223 A of 23 December 1993, in which it set the rate of assessment for the regular budget for Slovakia,

- 1. <u>Decides</u>, as an ad hoc arrangement, in respect of the apportionment of peacekeeping expenses, that, for the period from its admission on 19 January 1993 to 31 December 1996, Slovakia shall be included in the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of its resolution 43/232, and that its contributions to the financing of peacekeeping operations for this period shall be calculated in accordance with the scales of assessments approved by the General Assembly in its resolutions 46/221 A of 20 December 1991, 48/223 A and 49/19 B of 23 December 1994 and decisions 47/456 of 23 December 1992 and 50/471 A of 23 December 1995;
- 2. Recalls that, in accordance with paragraph 2 of resolution 48/223 A, for the year of its admission, Slovakia shall contribute at the rate of one twelfth of its rate of assessment for each full month of membership; its contribution in the case of appropriations or apportionments approved by the General Assembly for the financing of peacekeeping operations shall be calculated in proportion to the calendar year;
- 3. <u>Decides</u> that, notwithstanding the provisions of General Assembly resolution 48/223 A, the 1993 assessments of Slovakia for peacekeeping operations shall be credited to Member States included in the groups set out in paragraphs 3 (b), (c) and (d) of Assembly resolution 43/232, as adjusted by subsequent resolutions, and that the relative shares for 1993 shall be calculated on the same basis as set out in paragraph 4 below;
- 4. <u>Decides also</u> that the contributions of Slovakia for the financing of peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 January 1994 to 31 December 1996 shall be credited to Member States in proportion to their effective rates of assessment for the financing of peacekeeping operations during the period, subject to the following:
- (a) Member States included in the groups set out in paragraphs 3 (c) and (d) of General Assembly resolution 43/232, as adjusted by subsequent

resolutions, shall be credited with the full amount by which their aggregate contributions for the financing of peacekeeping operations during the period in question exceeded the aggregate level that would have applied had Slovakia been included in one of the groups of Member States set out in paragraph 3 of resolution 43/232, as adjusted by subsequent resolutions;

(b) The full balance of the contributions of Slovakia for the financing of peacekeeping operations for the period in question, after provision for crediting Member States pursuant to paragraph 4 (a) above, shall be credited to Member States included in the group set out in paragraph 3 (b) of General Assembly resolution 43/232, as adjusted by subsequent resolutions.

D

The General Assembly

<u>Decides</u> to continue its consideration of the item entitled "Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations" at its resumed fifty-first session.
