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Letter dated 30 October 1998 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the Second Committee

I have the honour to transmit herewith (see annex) a letter dated 29 October 1998 from the Chairman of the Fifth Committee concerning the report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of the development dividend (A/53/374).

(Signed) Didier Opertti

Annex

[Original: English]

Letter dated 29 October 1998 from the Chairman of the Fifth Committee addressed to the Chairman of the Second Committee

I have the honour to inform you that, at its 15th meeting, on 29 October 1998, the Fifth Committee, in the context of its consideration of the report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of development dividend (A/53/374), decided to request me to address a letter to you in your capacity as Chairman of the Second Committee, concerning the Second Committee's deliberations on the aforementioned report.

Indeed, according to the representative of the Group of 77 and China, who spoke on a point of procedure, the Second Committee has not yet completed its consideration of that report. He proposed, therefore, that the Fifth Committee's discussion on the matter be postponed pending the final outcome of the deliberations of the Second Committee.

In that connection, it would be very much appreciated if the programme of work of the Second Committee could be adjusted in such a manner as to accommodate the resumption of the Second Committee's consideration of that report as soon as possible and to communicate the outcome of its deliberations to the Fifth Committee by Friday, 13 November 1998.

(Signed) Movses Abelian Chairman Fifth Committee of the General Assembly

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