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Finland* **: draft resolution

United Nations Staff College in Turin

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 49/222 A of 23 December 1994,

Welcoming the decision taken by the Secretary-General in January 1996 to establish in Turin, Italy, the United Nations Staff College initially as a five-year project,

Noting the relevant recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit in its report entitled "Training institutions in the United Nations system: programme and activities", 1/

* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

** On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union.

1/ A/52/559, annex.

Reaffirming the importance of a coordinated United Nations system-wide approach to research and training, based on an effective division of labour among the relevant institutions and bodies,

1. Notes with appreciation the activities undertaken so far by the United Nations Staff College, particularly to strengthen United Nations performance in the pursuit of peace and development and in the promotion of a common United Nations management culture and by supporting the process of change and reform in the United Nations;

2. Notes with appreciation the relevant technical, logistical and administrative contribution provided by the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization;

3. Invites the relevant United Nations agencies to consider providing resources for the day-to-day running of the United Nations Staff College in Turin and expanding, whenever appropriate, the utilization of the services of the College for staff development, learning and training activities, on a basis of full cost recovery;

4. Notes with appreciation the voluntary funding provided so far by College donors, both within and outside the United Nations system;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to consult with relevant United Nations agencies and to submit to the Council, at its substantive session of 2000 a progress report on the United Nations Staff College in Turin, based on a full evaluation of the implementation and completion of the activities undertaken by the College, incorporating its corporate plan and programme of action, and including recommendations on the future status of the College after the conclusion of its pilot phase, in December 2000.
