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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE  
OF EXPERTS TO EXAMINE THE FINANCES OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND  
THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

Report on the activities of the Joint Inspection Unit  
during the period 1 July 1969-30 June 1970

During meetings of the Fifth Committee on this subject, the representative of Guyana, on behalf of the delegations of Barbados, Ghana, Guyana, India, Mexico and the United Republic of Tanzania, submitted the following text to be included in the report of the Fifth Committee on this subject:

In the interest of improving the operations of the Joint Inspection Unit, while at the same time bearing in mind its independent status, the Fifth Committee recommends that the following procedures be implemented:

(a) The Joint Inspection Unit should, through the Secretary-General, publish details of its work programme at the beginning of each year and should intensify its consultations with external bodies of an investigative and co-ordinating nature. It is hoped that in this way overlap and duplication of work carried out by the various bodies in this field may be minimized. The Joint Inspection Unit will, of course, be able to adjust its work programme as it sees fit and will continue to make use of the device of unscheduled, on-the-spot inspections.

(b) The Joint Inspection Unit should give priority attention to requests from legislative bodies for inspection reports in fields within its terms of reference. In this connexion the Committee suggests to the appropriate legislative bodies that they fully utilize the expertise of

the Joint Inspection Unit. Furthermore, the Committee is of the view that the Joint Inspection Unit should take into account the comments made in the Committee concerning rationalization of its field activities.

(c) Legislative bodies should continue to arrange their work programmes in such a way that sufficient time is allocated for full consideration of the Unit's reports and recommendations.

(d) The procedures for the handling of the Joint Inspection Unit reports should in future allow for the reports to be made available to Member States as soon as practicable after issue.

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