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Preparations for the special session of the General Assembly entitled “Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century”**Comparative report on how different categories of projects and programmes of United Nations organizations include women’s interests and gender mainstreaming issues and on resources allocated in this regard****Note by the Secretary-General**

Attention is drawn to General Assembly resolution 52/231 of 4 June 1998, paragraph 14, in which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly at its special session entitled “Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century” a comparative report on how different categories of projects and programmes of United Nations organizations were including women’s interests and gender mainstreaming issues and on resources allocated in that regard. The information requested is contained in the report of the Secretary-General assessing the implementation of the system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women, 1996-2001 (E/CN.6/2000/3), which is before the Commission on the Status of Women at its forty-fourth session.

* E/CN.6/2000/PC/1.