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Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

- 1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 17 September 1999, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fourth session the item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.
- 2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 19th, 22nd, 31st and 58th meetings, on 28 October, 1 and 9 November 1999 and 31 March 2000. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/54/SR.19, 22, 31 and 58).
- 3. For its consideration of the item the Committee had before it the following documents:
- (a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999 (A/54/393);
- (b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 (A/53/428);
- (c) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 (A/52/426);
- (d) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the Joint Inspection Unit on the final reports produced by the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/52/464);

- (e) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1995 to 30 June 1996 (A/51/432);
- (f) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the comments of the Joint Inspection Unit on the final reports produced by the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/530 and Corr.1);
- (g) Report of the Secretary-General on enhancing the internal oversight mechanisms in operational funds and programmes (A/51/801).

II. Consideration of a draft decision proposed by the Chairman

- 4. At its 58th meeting, on 31 March, following a statement by the representative of Belgium and coordinator of informal consultations on this item, and on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that it defer consideration of this item to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly (see para. 6).
- 5. Following the adoption of the draft decision, the representative of Tunisia made a statement (see A/C.5/54/SR.58).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

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The General Assembly decides to defer consideration of the item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services" to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly.

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