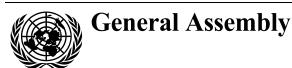
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Information technology

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 54/249 of 23 December 1999, by which it requested the Secretary-General to develop a comprehensive strategy for the development and implementation of information technology,

- 1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on information technology in the Secretariat: a plan of action, and endorses the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions thereon;
- 2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to resubmit the plan of action, taking into account the provisions of paragraph 1 above and:
- (a) Developing a specific plan to improve efficiency through the application of information technology in the Secretariat and the action required to implement it;
- (b) Defining clearly the responsibilities of the different bodies in the application and integration of information technology within the United Nations;
- (c) Addressing the objective of improving decision-making with respect to information technology in the Secretariat by improving coordination and reducing duplication;
- (d) Developing a cost-benefit analysis for use in identifying information technology priorities;
 - (e) Developing an implementation plan for those priorities;

¹ A/55/780.

² Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/56/7) paras. 80-94.

3. Also requests the Secretary-General to submit for the consideration of the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session a single report containing the information requested in the present resolution.