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Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003

**Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman following
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Item 123, Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolutions 56/253, 56/254 and 56/242 of 24 December 2001,

Reaffirming also the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, inter alia, rule 47,

1. *Notes with concern* the implementation of the measures outlined in the note verbale from the Secretary-General dated 28 February 2002 and in information circular ST/IC/2002/13 in relation to the reductions to certain areas which directly affect services provided to Member States;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to implement the above resolutions in a way that does not adversely affect the services provided to Member States, in accordance with the current budgetary procedures, the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation and the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations;

3. *Stresses* the need for the Secretary-General to implement all General Assembly resolutions in a transparent and non-selective manner;

4. *Notes* the importance of appropriate provision of conference support services to the bodies and committees of the Organization and to regional groups in accordance with General Assembly resolution 56/242 and, in this context, requests the Secretary-General to minimize the adverse effect of any changes resulting from his implementation of the measures outlined in the note verbale from the Secretary-General dated 28 February 2002 and outlined in ST/IC/2002/13 from the existing and established practice in provision and availability of conference servicing;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to restore immediately the Internet services, including web hosting, e-mail and support services to Permanent Missions, utilizing the

resources released as a result of resolution 56/___ on the comprehensive study of the question of honorariums payable to members of organs and subsidiary organs of the United Nations, and to reflect the necessary transfers among sections of the budget in the context of the first performance report to be submitted at the fifty-seventh session;

6. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to present proposals to implement the provisions of resolution 56/242 within the resources specified in resolution 56/254 for its consideration and action during the second part of its fifty-sixth session;

7. *Decides* to consider these matters further in the context of the first performance report at the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly.
