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## **Resolution adopted by the General Assembly**

[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/56/736/Add.1)]

## 56/277. Documents and publications of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

## The General Assembly,

*Having considered* the note by the Secretariat on the languages used for the preparation of documents and publications of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia,<sup>1</sup>

1. *Recalls* its resolution 56/253 of 24 December 2001;

2. *Urges* the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia to comply with all relevant provisions of Commission resolution 44 (IV) of 28 April 1977,<sup>2</sup> whereby it decided, inter alia, that all documents to be submitted to it should, as far as possible, be drafted in Arabic;

3. *Takes note* of the note by the Secretariat,<sup>1</sup> and looks forward to the report of the Secretary-General on the progress achieved in the production of documents and publications in Arabic requested in paragraph 124 of its resolution 56/253 for consideration at the fifty-seventh session.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A/C.5/56/19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 10 (E/5969), chap. III.