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56/287. Implementation of the provisions of General Assembly resolution 56/242

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General of 16 April 2002, 1

- 1. *Reaffirms* General Assembly resolution 56/242 of 24 December 2001, in which it approved the calendar of conferences and meetings of the United Nations for 2002–2003, and its resolution 56/254 D of 27 March 2002;
- 2. Notes with concern the negative impact on some aspects of the smooth functioning of the United Nations following the implementation of the measures contained in the note verbale of the Secretary-General dated 28 February 2002;
- 3. Reaffirms its request to the Secretary-General to provide adequate conference services to regional group meetings in accordance with General Assembly resolution 56/242;
- 4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of General Assembly resolution 56/242, utilizing the following options:
- (a) Absorbing the additional workload within the capacity of the Department of General Assembly Affairs and Conference Services and the Department of Management;
- (b) Utilizing the savings generated as a result of the implementation of the calendar of conferences and meetings as approved in General Assembly resolution 56/242;
- (c) Delaying the implementation of certain non-substantive activities within the Department of General Assembly Affairs and Conference Services and the Department of Management;

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¹ A/56/919.

(d) Submitting proposals for reprogramming the activities of the Department of General Assembly Affairs and Conference Services and the Department of Management related to conference and support services, for the consideration and approval of the General Assembly.

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