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Draft report

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Addendum

Proposed strategic framework for the period 2010-2011

(*Item 3(b)*)

Programme 26

Jointly financed activities

1. At its 8th meeting, on 16 June 2008, the Committee for Programme and Coordination considered programme 26, Jointly financed activities, of the proposed biennial programme plan (A/63/6 (Prog.26)).
2. The representatives of the Secretary-General introduced the programme and responded to queries raised during the Committee's consideration of the programme.

Discussion

3. Regarding component B, Joint Inspection Unit, of programme 26, clarification was sought as to the relevance of the Committee's analysis of the strategic framework of the Joint Inspection Unit at this time, given the internal reform that the Unit is currently undergoing and that its programme of work would be presented in its annual report. The view was expressed that the objectives in the strategic framework refer only to the Joint Inspection Unit secretariat, while the strategic framework for the Unit itself would be submitted directly to the General Assembly as part of the programme of work for the Unit for 2009.



Conclusions and recommendations

4. The Committee recommended that the General Assembly approve the programme narrative of programme 26, Jointly financed activities, of the proposed biennial programme plan, subject to the following modifications:

A. International Civil Service Commission

Strategy

Paragraph 26.2

In the first sentence, after the words “To accomplish its objectives”, insert the words “and bearing in mind the limitations imposed by Member States on their national civil service.”.

B. Joint Inspection Unit

Indicators of achievement

In indicator (a) (i), after the word “acceptance”, insert the words “and implementation”.

In indicator (b) (ii), after the word “acceptance”, insert the words “and implementation”.

C. United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat

Add a new expected accomplishment (d) as follows:

“Enhanced coordination within the United Nations system related to the adoption and implementation of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards according to the agreed timetable”.

Indicators of achievement

In indicator of achievement (a) (i), after the word “coherent”, insert the words “and coordinated”.

Renumber indicator of achievement (b) as (b) (i) and add a new indicator of achievement (b) (ii) as follows:

“Number of measures taken and, when needed, the assessed impact on all corresponding instructions and guidelines”.

Add a new indicator of achievement (d) as follows:

“Number of meetings held and harmonization measures agreed within the United Nations system on accounting policies and practices for the timely implementation of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards”.