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WORK OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE AT THE THIRTY-FIRST SESSION

Note by the Chairman

1. Pursuant to rule 99 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and to the decision of the Fifth Committee at its 1629th meeting on 18 December 1973, the Chairman, in view of the likely availability of the relevant documentation described in the annex to this note, sets out, for the consideration of the Committee, his suggestions regarding a tentative programme of work.

2. In addition to the items listed in the present document the Committee will, in compliance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure, be called upon to consider and report upon any financial implications that might arise as a result of decisions of the other Main Committees of the Assembly. The Committee will also be required to hold the several elections called for under item 101 of the agenda at any convenient time. Finally the Committee will consider the relevant parts of item 12: Report of the Economic and Social Council, that have been allocated to it. Relevant documentation for that item will be listed in the first revised version of the present document.

Suggested programme of work

<u>Week starting</u>	<u>Item(s) to be considered</u> (<u>and number of agenda item</u>)
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27 September	Medium-term plan /93/
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	Personnel questions /102/
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Composition of the Secretariat

<u>Week starting</u>	<u>Item(s) to be considered (and number of agenda item)</u>
4 October	Medium-term plan <u>/93/</u> (continued) Personnel questions <u>/102/</u> (continued) Composition of the Secretariat Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the IAEA <u>/96/</u> Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977 <u>/92/</u> (a) Use of experts and consultants (b) Standards of accommodation for official travel of United Nations staff by air (c) Emoluments of the members of the International Court of Justice
11 October	Medium-term plan <u>/93/</u> (conclusion) Implementation of the major recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit on medium-term planning Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the IAEA <u>/96/</u> (conclusion) Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations <u>/100/</u> Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977 <u>/92/</u> (continued) (a) United Nations information centres (b) Yearbook of the United Nations (c) Future trend in computer usage Personnel questions <u>/102/</u> (continued) (a) Composition of the Secretariat (b) Other personnel questions

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<u>Week starting</u>	<u>Item(s) to be considered (and number of agenda item)</u>
18 October	Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations <u>/100/</u> (conclusion) Personnel questions <u>/102/</u> (conclusion) Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977 <u>/92/</u> Review of actions taken on the recommendations of the Administrative Management Service
25 October	Financing of the United Nations Emergency Force and of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force <u>/105/</u> Joint Inspection Unit <u>/97/</u> (a) Activities of the Joint Inspection Unit (b) Question of the continuation of the Joint Inspection Unit (c) Question of pension coverage for members of the Joint Inspection Unit (d) Implementation of the major recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit
1 November	Report of the International Civil Service Commission <u>/103/</u> United Nations pension system <u>/104/</u> Joint Inspection Unit <u>/97/</u> Some aspects of the strike at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 25 February to 3 March 1976
8 November	Financial reports and accounts and reports of the Board of Auditors <u>/91/</u> Report of the International Civil Service Commission <u>/103/</u> (conclusion) United Nations pension system <u>/104/</u> (conclusion)
15 November	United Nations accommodation <u>/99/</u> (a) Utilization of office accommodation in the United Nations system

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<u>Week starting</u>	<u>Item(s) to be considered</u> <u>(and number of agenda item)</u>
15 November (continued)	(b) Utilization of office accommodation and conference facilities at the Donaupark Centre in Vienna Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977 <u>[92]</u> (a) Revised estimates resulting from decisions of the Economic and Social Council (b) Services provided by the United Nations to activities financed from extrabudgetary resources (c) Accommodations in Addis Ababa, Bangkok and Santiago
22 November	Pattern of conferences: report of the Committee on Conferences <u>[98]</u> Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977 <u>[92]</u> (a) Revised estimates, UNIDO (b) Comprehensive study of the question of honoraria (c) Organizational nomenclature in the Secretariat
29 November	Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977 <u>[92]</u> Progress report Review of the intergovernmental and expert machinery dealing with the formulation, review and approval of programmes and budgets <u>[95]</u>
6 December	Financial emergency of the United Nations: report of the Negotiating Committee on the Financial Emergency of the United Nations <u>[94]</u> Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977 <u>[92]</u> (conclusion)

ANNEX

Status of documentation for the consideration
 of the Fifth Committee

<u>Agenda item and subject</u>	<u>Documentation issued</u>	<u>Estimated time for documentation to be issued</u>
91 <u>Financial accounts and reports of the Board of Auditors</u>		
(a) United Nations	A/31/7 (Vol. I) and Corr.1	
International Trade Centre	A/31/7 (Vol. II) and Corr.2	
United Nations University	A/31/7 (Vol. III)	
(b) UNDP	A/31/7/Add.1	
(c) UNICEF	A/31/7/Add.2	
(d) UNRWA		mid-October
(e) UNITAR	A/31/7/Add.4	
(f) UNHCR	A/31/7/Add.5	
(g) UNEP	A/31/7/Add.6 and Corr.1	
(h) UNFPA	A/31/7/Add.7	
Report of the Advisory Committee on the above (except (d))	A/31/140	
Report of the Advisory Committee on (d) above		mid-October
92 <u>Programme budget for the biennium 1976-1977</u>		
(a) Progress report		mid-October
Report of the Advisory Committee		early November
(b) Revised estimates resulting from decisions of ECOSOC		early October
Report of the Advisory Committee		mid-October
(c) Revised proposals under section 12, UNIDO	A/C.5/31/11 and Corr. 1	
Report of the Advisory Committee		late October

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<u>Agenda item and subject</u>	<u>Documentation issued</u>	<u>Estimated time for documentation to be issued</u>
<u>Item 92 (continued)</u>		
(d) Matters subject to separate reports:		
I. <u>Comprehensive study of the question of honoraria</u>		
Report of the Secretary-General	A/C.5/31/2	
Further report of the Secretary-General		early November
Report of the Advisory Committee		mid-November
II. <u>Services provided by the United Nations to activities financed from extrabudgetary resources</u>		
Report of the Secretary-General		mid-October
Report of the Advisory Committee		late October
III. <u>Review of actions taken on the recommendations of the AMS</u>		
Report of the Secretary-General	A/C.5/31/6	
Report of the Advisory Committee		early October
IV. <u>Organizational nomenclature in the Secretariat</u>		
Report of the Secretary-General	A/C.5/31/8	
V. <u>Yearbook of the United Nations</u>		
Report of the Secretary-General	A/C.5/31/12	
Report of the Advisory Committee		early October

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<u>Item 92 (continued)</u>		
VI. <u>Standard of accommodation for official travel of United Nations staff by air</u>		
Report of the Secretary- General	A/C.5/31/5	
VII. <u>Use of experts and consultants in the United Nations</u>		
Report of the Secretary- General	A/C.5/31/10 and Corr.1	
Report of the Advisory Committee		early October
VIII. <u>Future trend in computer usage</u>		
Report of the Secretary- General	A/C.5/31/3	
Report of the Advisory Committee		late September
IX. <u>Emoluments of the members of the International Court of Justice</u>		
Report of the Secretary- General	A/C.5/31/13	
Report of the Advisory Committee		late September
X. <u>Accommodation at Bangkok, Addis Ababa and Santiago</u>		
Report of the Secretary- General		late September
Report of the Advisory Committee		mid-October
XI. <u>United Nations information centres system</u>		
Report of the Secretary- General	A/C.5/31/14	
Report of the Advisory Committee		early October

<u>Agenda item and subject</u>	<u>Documentation issued</u>	<u>Estimated time for documentation to be issued</u>
93 <u>Medium-term plan</u>		
(a) Medium-term plan for the period 1978- 1981 and revised plan for 1977	A/31/6/Add.1, vols. I and II and Corr.1 to 5	
Report of the Committee on Programme and Co-ordination	A/31/38	
Report of the Economic and Social Council	A/31/3, chapter VII, section A	
Report of the Advisory Committee	A/31/139	
(b) Implementation of the major recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit	A/C.5/31/15	
Report of the Advisory Committee		early October
94 <u>Financial emergency of the United Nations: report of the Negotiating Committee on the Financial Emergency of the United Nations</u>		mid-November
95 <u>Review of the intergovernmental and expert machinery dealing with the formulation, review and approval of programmes and budgets</u>		Relevant portion(s) of the report of the <u>Ad Hoc</u> Committee on Restructuring of the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations System will be referred to the Fifth Committee.
96 <u>Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the IAEA</u>		
(a) Reports of the Advisory Committee		early October

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Documentation issued

Item 96 (continued)

(b) Reports of the Secretary-General:

- I. Bodies and organs established for purposes of administrative and budgetary control, investigation and co-ordination A/31/75 and Corr.1 and 2
- II. Continuation of the Joint Inspection Unit and proposed revised terms of reference A/31/75/Add.1 and Corr.1
- III. Brief factual description of the activities of the intergovernmental bodies which have recently addressed themselves to questions related to administrative and budgetary control, investigation and co-ordination A/31/75/Add.2

(c) Report of the Advisory Committee on (b) (I) above

mid-October

97 Joint Inspection Unit

(a) Activities of the Joint Inspection Unit

Eighth report of the Joint Inspection Unit A/C.5/31/1

(b) Question of the continuation of the Joint Inspection Unit

- I. Report of the Secretary-General A/31/75/Add.1 and Corr.1
- II. Report of the Joint Inspection Unit A/31/89
- III. Report of the Economic and Social Council A/31/3 (chapter III, section H)
 (chapter VII, section C)

IV. Report of the Advisory Committee

mid-October

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<u>Agenda item and subject</u>	<u>Documentation issued</u>	<u>Estimated time for documentation to be issued</u>
<u>Item 97</u> (continued)		
(c) Question of pension coverage for members of the Joint Inspection Unit		early October
(d) Implementation of the major recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit		
I. Report of the Secretary-General		mid-October
II. Report of the Advisory Committee		late October
(e) Some aspects of the strike at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 25 February to 3 March 1976		
I. Report of the Joint Inspection Unit	A/31/137	
II. Comments of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination		late October
III. Report of the Advisory Committee		early November
98 <u>Pattern of conferences: report of the Committee on Conferences</u>		mid-October
99 <u>United Nations accommodation</u>		
(a) Utilization of office accommodation in the United Nations system:		
I. Accommodation at United Nations Headquarters		
Report of the Joint Inspection Unit	A/9854	
Report of the Secretary-General	A/C.5/31/17 and Corr.1	

<u>Agenda item and subject</u>	<u>Documentation issued</u>	<u>Estimated time for documentation to be issued</u>
<u>Item 99 (continued)</u>		
II. Office accommodation provided for extrabudgetary staff in the United Nations system		
Report of the Joint Inspection Unit	A/10279	
Reports of the Secretary-General	A/10279/Add.1 and A/C.5/31/7	
III. Utilization of office accommodation in Geneva		
Report of the Joint Inspection Unit	A/10280	
Comments by the Secretary-General	A/10280/Add.1	
IV. Report of the Advisory Committee on I to III above		early October
(b) Utilization of office accommodation and conference facilities at the Donaupark Centre in Vienna		
I. Report of the Secretary-General		late October
II. Report of the Advisory Committee		mid-November
100 <u>Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Committee on Contributions</u>	A/31/11	
101 <u>Appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of subsidiary organs of the General Assembly</u>		
(a) Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions	A/31/127	
(b) Committee on Contributions	A/31/128	
(c) Board of Auditors	A/31/129	

<u>Agenda item and subject</u>	<u>Documentation issued</u>	<u>Estimated time for documentation to be issued</u>
<u>Item 101 (continued)</u>		
(d) Investments Committee	A/31/130 and A/C.5/31/18	
(e) United Nations Administrative Tribunal	A/31/131	
(f) International Civil Service Commission	A/31/132/Rev.1	
(g) United Nations Staff Pension Committee	A/31/133	
<u>102 Personnel questions</u>		
(a) Composition of the Secretariat	A/31/154	
(b) Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on personnel problems in the United Nations and major recommendations of the Administrative Management Service		
I. Report of the Secretary-General	A/C.5/31/9	
II. Report of the Advisory Committee		early October
(c) Amendment to the staff rules	A/C.5/31/4	
<u>103 Report of the International Civil Service Commission</u>		
Comments of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination		late October
Report of the Advisory Committee on the financial implication aspects		early November
<u>104 United Nations pension system</u>		
(a) Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board		mid-October
(b) Investments in developing countries	A/C.5/31/16	
(c) Report(s) of the Advisory Committee		late October

<u>Agenda item and subject</u>	<u>Documentation issued</u>	<u>Estimated time for documentation to be issued</u>
105 <u>Financing of the United Nations Emergency Force and of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force</u>		
(a) Report of the Secretary-General		mid-October
(b) Report of the Advisory Committee		late October
