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Adoption of the report of the Committee on its fifty-second session

Draft report

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Addendum

Programme questions

Evaluation (item 3 (c))

Triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its forty-ninth session on the thematic evaluation of United Nations coordinating bodies

1. At its 3rd meeting, on 5 June 2012, the Committee considered the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its forty-ninth session on the thematic evaluation of United Nations coordinating bodies (E/AC.51/2012/2).
2. The Director of the Inspection and Evaluation Division introduced the report on behalf of the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services and responded to questions raised during the Committee's consideration of the report.

Discussion

3. Delegations expressed appreciation that the report provided a descriptive account of the implementation of the recommendations but would have liked to have seen more analysis of the implementation activities and the impact of those activities.
4. A query was raised on the scheduling of the Senior Management Group and Policy Committee meetings when the Secretary-General was not at Headquarters.



Another query was raised to seek clarification on what the strategic priorities of the United Nations Development Group were for the period 2010-2012.

5. A delegation questioned the inclusion of the concept "Arab Spring" in paragraph 16 of the report since that concept had not been approved by any intergovernmental body.

Conclusions and recommendations

6. **The Committee took note of the report of OIOS on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its forty-ninth session on the thematic evaluation of United Nations coordinating bodies (E/AC.51/2012/2) and recommended that the General Assembly endorse the conclusions contained in paragraphs 45 and 46 of the report. In that regard, the Committee stressed that the recommendation did not imply any endorsement of the five-year action agenda of the Secretary-General.**

7. **The Committee noted that further efforts by the coordinating bodies were required in order to achieve better follow-up to their decisions.**

8. **The Committee emphasized the need to establish mechanisms in the coordinating bodies to measure their own performance regularly and systematically.**

9. **The Committee recalled the importance of inter-agency working groups and thematic networks during the periods between the sessions held by the coordinating bodies.**
