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Standards of accommodation for air travel

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

- 1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions has considered the report of the Secretary-General on standards of accommodation for air travel (A/C.5/44/12). During its consideration of this report, the Advisory Committee met with representatives of the Secretary-General who provided it with additional information.
- 2. Paragraph 2 and tables 1 to 9 of the report of the Secretary-General contain information on exceptions to the rules on standards of accommodation for air travel as set forth in General Assembly resolution 42/214 of 21 December 1987. During the period from 1 July 1988 to 30 June 1989, 58 exceptions were granted, at an additional cost of \$61,197. (Forty-two exceptions were granted during the period from 1 January 1988 to 30 June 1988, when the same provisions of resolution 42/214 applied.)
- 3. While recognizing the importance of continuing to monitor exceptions to standards of accommodation for air travel, the Advisory Committee believes that the present procedure should be modified. The Advisory Committee recommends that the Secretary-General should in future submit his annual report on the matter directly to the Advisory Committee; following review, the Advisory Committee will report to the General Assembly if necessary.