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Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 22 September 1989, the General Assembly decided to include in the agenda of its forty-fourth session the item entitled "Joint Inspection Unit" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit dealing with subject-matters assigned to the other Committees would be referred also to those Committees.
- 2. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Joint Inspection Unit, 1/2 a note by the Secretary-General transmitting the work programme of the Unit for 1989 and the nucleus of its work programme for 1990-1991 (A/44/129) and the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Unit (A/44/488).
- 3. The Committee considered the item at its 4th, 7th, 13th and 14th meetings, on 4, 9, 17 and 19 October 1989. Comments and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/44/SR.4, 7, 13 and 14). The Committee considered other reports of the Joint Inspection Unit in the context of its consideration of agenda items 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991) and 128 (Pattern of conferences).

^{1/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-Fourth Session,
Supplement No. 34 (A/44/34).

II. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

- 4. At the 13th meeting, on 17 October, following informal consultations, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee introduced a draft resolution (A/C.5/44/L.4).
- 5. At its 14th meeting, on 19 October, the Fifth Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/44/L.4, without objection (see para. 6).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Joint Inspection Unit

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 40/259 of 18 December 1985, 41/213 of 19 December 1986, 42/218 of 21 December 1987 and 43/221 of 21 December 1988,

Having considered the annual report of the Joint Inspection Unit on its activities during the period 1 July 1988 to 30 June 1989, $\underline{2}$ / the work programme of the Unit for 1989 and the nucleus of its work programme for 1990-1991, $\underline{3}$ / and the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Unit, $\underline{4}$ /

Welcoming the continuing reform measures employed by the Joint Inspection Unit to enhance the quality and effectiveness of its work in all respects, as described in section VI of its annual report,

Reiterating the importance of a detailed and timely consideration of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit, particularly by Member States and the organizations concerned,

1. Takes note of the annual report of the Joint Inspection Unit and of its work programme for 1989, as well as of the detailed information contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Unit; 4/

^{2/} Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 34 (A/44/34).

^{3/} A/44/129.

^{4/} A/44/488.

- 2. Requests the Joint Inspection Unit, in the development of its work programme, to give even greater attention to management, budgetary and administrative issues relevant to the agendas of the governing bodies of its participating organizations and to their main and common concerns;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to standardize the format of his reports relating to the work and recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit in order to include therein the recommendations of the Unit and any decisions of the General Assembly and other governing bodies before making his comments;
- 4. <u>Urges</u> the Secretary-General, in preparing his report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit, and the Unit, in preparing its annual report, to co-ordinate their efforts in order to present to the General Assembly the maximum possible information on the implementation of the recommendations of the Unit:
- 5. <u>Invites</u> the Joint Inspection Unit to continue to make every possible effort to issue its reports well in advance of meetings of the governing bodies of its participating organizations, in particular the General Assembly, and of the relevant subsidiary bodies, to ensure that the comments of the Secretary-General and those of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, where pertinent, are issued in accordance with existing regulations for the timely receipt of documentation;
- 6. Requests the Joint Inspection Unit to make every effort to shorten its reports, using comparative tables and graphics whenever appropriate, and to include therein an executive summary of its recommendations in order to facilitate the consideration of its reports;
- 7. Also requests the Joint Inspection Unit to take into account the guidelines outlined above in finalizing its work programme for 1990-1991;
- 8. Requests the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of the executive heads of the participating organizations of the Joint Inspection Unit.