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The Committee considers that, when the Secretary-General circulates to governments every three years a list of recommendations and asks what has been done to carry them out, he should not include the following:

- (a) Resolutions which are statements of principle or make recommendations in such wide or general terms that they are not suitable for specific report.
- (b) Resolutions asking for information which the Secretary-General has since taken steps to obtain. They include requests for specific information, such as statistics and regular reports, and replies to specific questions. They also include resolutions calling for the ratification of treaties, conventions, or protocols.

Appendix I contains a list of recommendations which the Committee considers should not be included in the list of recommendations sent to governments by the Secretary-General every three years because they are (1) no longer relevant or in force, or are (2) general statements of principle. The Committee believes that the Secretary-General can decide for himself without difficulty the additional resolutions which should not be sent to-governments because he already has the required information.