

58/562. Strengthening the Department of Public Information, within the existing capacity, in order to support and enhance the United Nations web site in all official languages of the Organization: follow-up

At its 79th plenary meeting, on 23 December 2003, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,¹¹⁸ took note of the report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the Department of Public Information, within the existing capacity, in order to support and enhance the United Nations web site in all official languages of the Organization: follow-up,¹²⁴ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.¹²⁵

58/563. Biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2004–2005

At its 79th plenary meeting, on 23 December 2003, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,¹²⁶ and in accordance with paragraph 6 of its resolution 46/220 of 20 December 1991, approved the biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2004–2005 annexed to the present decision.

Annex

Biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2004–2005

A. Programme of work for 2004

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors
2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations
3. Programme budget for the biennium 2004–2005
4. Programme planning
5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations
6. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency
7. Pattern of conferences
8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations
9. Human resources management

10. Joint Inspection Unit
11. United Nations common system
12. United Nations pension system
13. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services
14. Administration of justice at the United Nations
15. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991
16. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994
17. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations
18. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations
19. Report of the Economic and Social Council
20. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

B. Programme of work for 2005

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors
2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations
3. Programme budget for the biennium 2004–2005
4. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006–2007
5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations
6. Joint Inspection Unit
7. Pattern of conferences
8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations
9. United Nations common system
10. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services
11. Administration of justice at the United Nations
12. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

¹²⁴ A/58/217.

¹²⁵ A/58/7/Add.1 and Corr.1. For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 7A*.

¹²⁶ A/58/571/Add.1, para. 5.

13. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994
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58/564. Questions deferred for future consideration

At its 79th plenary meeting, on 23 December 2003, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,¹²⁶ decided to defer until its resumed fifty-eighth session consideration of the following agenda items and related documents:

Item 127: Human resources management

Item 128: Administration of justice at the United Nations

Item 129: Joint Inspection Unit

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit¹²⁷

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the programme of work of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2003¹²⁸

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the preliminary listing of reports for potential inclusion in the programme of work of the Unit for 2004 and beyond¹²⁹

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit¹³⁰

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the preliminary review of its statute and working methods¹³¹

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on an in-depth review of its statute and working methods¹³²

Item 130: Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003¹³³

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of the Headquarters Committee on Contracts¹³⁴

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the review of the structure and operations of United Nations information centres¹³⁵

Item 134: Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Report of the Secretary-General on the participation of United Nations Volunteers in peacekeeping operations¹³⁶

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations¹³⁷ and first report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002–2003¹³⁸

7. Decisions adopted on the reports of the Sixth Committee

58/522. Progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new international economic order

At its 72nd plenary meeting, on 9 December 2003, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Sixth Committee,¹³⁹ decided to take note of the consideration of the item entitled “Progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new international economic order”, and noted that this question could be considered in the future.

¹²⁷ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-eighth Session, Supplement No. 34 (A/58/34).*

¹²⁸ A/58/64.

¹²⁹ A/58/291.

¹³⁰ A/58/220.

¹³¹ A/58/343.

¹³² A/58/343/Add.1.

¹³³ A/58/364.

¹³⁴ A/58/294.

¹³⁵ A/57/747 and Corr.1.

¹³⁶ A/55/697.

¹³⁷ A/55/874.

¹³⁸ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 7 (A/56/7).*

¹³⁹ A/58/510, para. 6.