Statement of the Chairman Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions 26 November 2012

Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2012

(ACABQ report A/67/573; Secretary-General's report A/67/385; ICSC report A/67/30)

Mr Chairman,

I am pleased to introduce the Advisory Committee's report (A/67/573) on the statement submitted by the Secretary-General (A/67/385), in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, on the administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2012 (A/67/30).

Mr Chairman,

The Committee's report sets out its observations on the financial implications of the decisions and recommendations of the Commission with respect to the review of the level of the education grant; increase in the base/floor salary scale; and increase in the level of danger pay for locally-recruited staff from 25 per cent to 30 per cent of the applicable 2012 General Service salary scales. Section V of the Committee's report outlines the Secretary-General's response to the Committee's request, in its report A/66/7/Add.26, for information on the estimated annual financial implications of the replacement of hazard pay with danger pay. The financial implications of the Commission's decisions and recommendations are summarized in paragraph 33 of the Secretary-General's statement. Should the General Assembly approve the Commission's decisions and recommendations, the Advisory Committee has no objection to the course of action proposed by the Secretary-General in paragraph 34 of his statement.

I thank you, Mr Chairman.