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Introduction of the Note of the Secretary-General on the
“Report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2018”

Madam Chair, distinguished delegates,

I am pleased to introduce, on behalf of the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB), the note pursuant to paragraph 17 of General Assembly resolution 65/270, as contained in document A/73/727.

In accordance with the statute of the Unit, the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chair of the Board and through the secretariat of CEB, performs functions that support the work of the Unit, mainly in the preparation of reports that concern more than one organization.

Throughout 2018, the secretariats of CEB and the Unit worked collaboratively to ensure the timely preparation of the notes by the Secretary-General containing responses to reports addressing system-wide concerns. The secretariats also continued to engage in a dialogue to ensure a smooth report preparation process as the Unit maintains its focus on issues of a system-wide nature.

In the course of the reporting year, the Secretary-General, in consultation with members of the CEB and in accordance with procedures set out in chapter II, article 3, of the statute of the Unit, reviewed the qualifications of an inspector proposed for reappointment expiring in 2019.

In closing, the Secretary-General remains committed to maintaining a close working relationship with the Unit and encourages all organizations to respond in a timely manner and in a spirit of cooperation to its requests.

Thank you