



Seventy-fourth session
Agenda item 133

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 20 September 2019, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-fourth session the item entitled “Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 21st meeting, on 27 December 2019. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee’s consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record.¹

II. Consideration of draft decision [A/C.5/74/L.27](#)

3. At its 21st meeting, on 27 December, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled “Questions deferred for future consideration” ([A/C.5/74/L.27](#)), submitted by the Chair of the Committee.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision [A/C.5/74/L.27](#) without a vote (see para. 5).

¹ [A/C.5/74/SR.21](#).



III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

5. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Questions deferred for future consideration

A

The General Assembly decides to defer until the first part of its resumed seventy-fourth session consideration of the following documents:

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Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019

Capital master plan

Sixteenth annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the capital master plan¹

Report of the Board of Auditors on the capital master plan for the year ended 31 December 2017²

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its reports for the year ended 31 December 2017 on the United Nations and on the capital master plan³

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions⁴

Fifteenth annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the capital master plan⁵

Report of the Board of Auditors on the capital master plan for the year ended 31 December 2016⁶

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its reports for the year ended 31 December 2016 on the United Nations and on the capital master plan⁷

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions⁸

Fourteenth annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the capital master plan⁹

¹ [A/73/317](#).

² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-third Session, Supplement No. 5*, vol. V ([A/73/5 \(Vol. V\)](#)).

³ [A/73/353](#).

⁴ [A/73/468](#).

⁵ [A/72/294](#) and [A/72/294/Corr.1](#).

⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-second Session, Supplement No. 5*, vol. V ([A/72/5 \(Vol. V\)](#)).

⁷ [A/72/355](#).

⁸ [A/72/536](#).

⁹ [A/71/309](#).

Report of the Board of Auditors on the capital master plan for the year ended 31 December 2015¹⁰

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its report on the capital master plan for the year ended 31 December 2015¹¹

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions¹²

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Human resources management

Report of the Secretary-General on the practice of the Secretary-General in disciplinary matters and cases of possible criminal behaviour, 1 January to 31 December 2018¹³

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions¹⁴

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Ethics Office¹⁵

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions¹⁶

Report of the Secretary-General entitled “Global human resources strategy 2019–2021: building a more effective, transparent and accountable United Nations”¹⁷

Report of the Secretary-General on the overview of human resources management reform for the period 2017–2018¹⁸

Report of the Secretary-General on the assessment of the system of desirable ranges¹⁹

Report of the Secretary-General entitled “Composition of the Secretariat: staff demographics”²⁰

Report of the Secretary-General entitled “Composition of the Secretariat: gratis personnel, retired staff and consultants and individual contractors”²¹

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²²

Report of the Secretary-General on mobility²³

¹⁰ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-first Session, Supplement No. 5, vol. V (A/71/5 (Vol. V)).*

¹¹ [A/71/331](#).

¹² [A/71/541](#).

¹³ [A/74/64](#).

¹⁴ [A/74/558](#).

¹⁵ [A/74/78](#).

¹⁶ [A/74/539](#).

¹⁷ [A/73/372](#).

¹⁸ [A/73/372/Add.1](#).

¹⁹ [A/73/372/Add.3](#).

²⁰ [A/73/79](#).

²¹ [A/73/79/Add.1](#).

²² [A/73/497](#).

²³ [A/73/372/Add.2](#).

Report of the Secretary-General on mobility²⁴

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²⁵

Report of the Secretary-General on amendments to the Staff Regulations and Rules²⁶

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions²⁷

Report of the Secretary-General on the practice of the Secretary-General in disciplinary matters and cases of possible criminal behaviour, 1 July to 31 December 2017²⁸

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Ethics Office²⁹

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions³⁰

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Joint Inspection Unit

Note by the Secretary-General drawing attention to the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled “Review of mechanisms and policies addressing conflict of interest in the United Nations system”³¹

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled “Review of mechanisms and policies addressing conflict of interest in the United Nations system”³²

Note by the Secretary-General drawing attention to the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled “Review of internship programmes in the United Nations system”³³

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled “Review of internship programmes in the United Nations system”³⁴

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The General Assembly decides to defer until the main part of its seventy-fifth session consideration of the following documents:

²⁴ [A/72/767](#).

²⁵ [A/73/569](#).

²⁶ [A/73/378](#).

²⁷ [A/73/622](#).

²⁸ [A/73/71](#).

²⁹ [A/73/89](#).

³⁰ [A/73/183](#).

³¹ [A/73/187](#).

³² [A/73/187/Add.1](#).

³³ [A/73/377](#) and [A/73/377/Corr.1](#).

³⁴ [A/73/377/Add.1](#).

*Item 134**Programme budget for the biennium 2018–2019***United Nations Office for Partnerships**Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office for Partnerships³⁵Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office for Partnerships³⁶*Item 135**Proposed programme budget for 2020***Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council**Report of the Secretary-General on the review of arrangements for funding and backstopping special political missions³⁷Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions³⁸**Review of the experience of the utilization of the contingency fund**Report of the Secretary-General on the review of the experience of the utilization of the contingency fund³⁹Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions⁴⁰

³⁵ [A/74/266](#).

³⁶ [A/73/222](#).

³⁷ [A/66/340](#).

³⁸ [A/66/7/Add.21](#).

³⁹ [A/70/395](#).

⁴⁰ [A/70/7/Add.7](#).