

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a final financial report on the project to the General Assembly at its forty-third session.

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42/217. Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal

The General Assembly,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal",⁴⁸

Noting that the International Labour Organisation has under consideration proposals corresponding to those appearing in the report of the Secretary-General,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General:

(a) To arrange for consultations among Member States to take place in New York during the first part of 1988 for the purpose of examining the proposals included in his report entitled "Feasibility of establishing a single administrative tribunal", bearing in mind the technical, legal and administrative aspects of the matter;

(b) To invite the Director-General of the International Labour Office to be represented at such consultations;

(c) To report to the General Assembly at its forty-third session on the outcome of such consultations and to present proposals designed to enable the Assembly to conclude its consideration of this item at that session;

2. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-third session under the item entitled "Administrative and budgetary co-ordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency" a sub-item entitled "Harmonization of the statutes, rules and practices of the administrative tribunals of the International Labour Organisation and of the United Nations".

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42/218. Joint Inspection Unit

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 40/259 of 18 December 1985 and 41/213 of 19 December 1986,

Having considered the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on its activities during the period 1 July 1986 to 30 June 1987,⁴⁹ welcoming the recommendations for self-improvement contained in section VI thereof, and noting the observations and suggestions of Member States thereon,

Recognizing the need to avoid duplication and overlapping in the activities of subsidiary organs of the General Assembly,

Convinced that the General Assembly should give the Joint Inspection Unit greater guidance on its programme of work with respect to the United Nations,

Convinced also that more systematic follow-up activity regarding the implementation of recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit would increase the usefulness of the

inspection function, particularly in encouraging constructive dialogue between the Unit and the various organizations of the United Nations system,

Bearing in mind the recommendations regarding the Joint Inspection Unit in the report of the Group of High-level Intergovernmental Experts to Review the Efficiency of the Administrative and Financial Functioning of the United Nations,²²

1. *Invites* the Joint Inspection Unit to introduce immediately the improvements recommended in section VI of its report⁴⁹ in order to increase the quality and effectiveness of its reports;

2. *Calls upon* the Joint Inspection Unit to adopt a more collective approach in the preparation of its programme of work, in the conduct of its work and in the writing of individual reports;

3. *Requests* the Joint Inspection Unit to include in its annual report a section on its findings regarding the implementation of its recommendations;

4. *Invites* the Joint Inspection Unit, with due regard for its other responsibilities, to include in its proposed programme of work the provision of advice to participating organizations on their methods for internal evaluation and the conduct of more *ad hoc* evaluations of programmes and activities;

5. *Requests* the Joint Inspection Unit to include in its next report the guidelines it follows for selecting, conducting and reporting on its inspections;

6. *Also requests* the Joint Inspection Unit to ensure that its reports are co-ordinated, as far as possible, with the programmes of work of the various bodies of the United Nations and that they are submitted in a timely manner;

7. *Further requests* the Joint Inspection Unit, in exercising its functions, powers and responsibilities, to take fully into account the mandates of other relevant bodies, especially the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination, the Board of Auditors and the International Civil Service Commission;

8. *Invites* the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, within their respective mandates, to provide the General Assembly with their views on the future programme of work of the Joint Inspection Unit;

9. *Requests* the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination to advise the General Assembly on those cases in which the Joint Inspection Unit might perform *ad hoc* external evaluations of programmes and activities;

10. *Urges* Member States to apply the highest standards in selecting candidates for appointment as inspectors, to give special emphasis to relevant experience and qualifications in the fields of personnel management, public administration, inspection and evaluation, and to give consideration to different disciplines;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of the appropriate bodies of the United Nations system all reports of the Joint Inspection Unit on matters within their respective areas of competence and to include reference to all reports of the Unit in the documentation listed in the annotated preliminary agendas of the General Assembly and other United Nations bodies under the most appropriate substantive agenda item;

12. *Requests* all bodies of the United Nations system to examine closely those reports of the Joint Inspection Unit which are within their respective areas of competence and

⁴⁸ A/42/328.

⁴⁹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second Session, Supplement No. 34 (A/42/34 and Corr.1).*