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### Summary record of the 3rd meeting

Held at Headquarters, New York, on Wednesday, 8 October 2014, at 10 a.m.

*Chair:* Mr. Ružička ..... (Slovakia)  
*Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative  
and Budgetary Questions:* Mr. Ruiz Massieu

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*The meeting was called to order at 10.10 a.m.*

**Item 141: Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency**

*Budgetary and financial situation of the organizations of the United Nations system (A/69/305)*

1. **Mr. Herman** (United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination), introducing the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the statistical report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB) on the budgetary and financial situation of the organizations of the United Nations system (A/69/305), said that the report was the only system-wide source of financial statistics for the organizations of the United Nations system.

2. In response to the demand for system-wide coherence, as expressed in General Assembly resolution 63/311, the CEB secretariat had worked closely with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs to harmonize data collection and reporting. As a result, data collected for the CEB statistical reporting exercise were now used as the basis for the report of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs on operational activities for development of the United Nations system. By establishing one data collection mechanism, the reporting workload of the United Nations system had been greatly reduced. In response to the request in decision 67/553 B that the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chair of CEB, coordinate the annual compilation of analysis relating to the financial situation of organizations participating in the common system, including a focus on the budgetary implications of adjustments to all elements of staff costs, both for the most recently completed calendar year and, on the basis of projections, for the subsequent calendar year, and submit the related report to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session, the report contained information on all elements of salaries and cost-of-living adjustments; allowances and benefits; and pensions and insurance. Participation in the July 2014 survey had been excellent, with 35 organizations providing financial and staff cost data.

3. The CEB secretariat continued to give transparency a high priority. Therefore, the tables and data published in the report, together with some of the analysis of the figures presented and a number of

charts on trends in recent years, by country, by organization and by donor type, were available on the CEB secretariat's website. The CEB database now contained data covering six consecutive bienniums. Revenue was reported under four categories, namely assessed contributions, non-earmarked voluntary contributions, earmarked voluntary contributions and revenue from other activities. Expenses were reported under five major programme categories, namely development assistance; humanitarian assistance; technical cooperation; peacekeeping operations; and standard-setting, treaty-related and knowledge-creation activities.

**Item 136: Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (continued)**  
(A/C.5/69/L.3)

*Draft resolution A/C.5/69/L.3: Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: requests under Article 19 of the Charter*

4. *Draft resolution A/C.5/69/L.3 was adopted.*

*The meeting rose at 10.25 a.m.*