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Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 113 appear in the reports of the Committee contained in documents A/53/485 and Add.1–5.
2. The Fifth Committee considered the question of the outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO at its 65th meeting, on 13 July 1999. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the question are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.5/53/SR.65).
3. In addition to the documents listed in documents A/53/485 and Add.2–5, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO (A/54/127) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/53/7/Add.15).

II. Consideration of a draft decision proposed by the Chairman

4. At the 65th meeting, on 13 July, the Chairman orally proposed a draft decision on the outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO.
5. Following statements by the representative of the United States of America and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, the Chairman of the Fifth Committee revised the draft decision (see A/C.5/53/SR.65).

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the revised draft decision without a vote (see para. 7).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

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

Outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO

The General Assembly, takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000–2001 for the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO¹ and of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.²

¹ A/54/127.

² A/53/7/Add.15.