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## RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

### **(b) Review of the final accounts and audits for the twenty-first financial period, including the report of the Working Group**

#### **Note by the Secretary-General**

#### SUMMARY

**Executive summary:** This document recalls the decision of the Council at its eighty-eighth session to reconvene the Council Intersessional Working Group on Accounts and Audit, to review the External Auditor's report on the final accounts for the twenty-first financial period.

**Action to be taken:** Paragraph 5

**Related documents:** C 88/18(a), Add.1 and Add.2

1 At its eighty-eighth session, the Council took note of the final accounts for the twenty-first financial period, the External Auditor's report and the Secretary-General's response to the points raised.

2 The Council agreed to reconvene the Council Intersessional Working Group on Accounts and Audit under the Chairmanship of Mr. J. Mervyn Jones (Bahamas), to prepare a report for consideration by the Council at its eighty-ninth session in November 2002. The Council also decided that the Working Group would have the same terms of reference as it had previously, with one addition, namely, to include a follow-up to the External Auditor's recommendations for the year 2000, on which an Action Report had been provided by the External Auditor.

3 The Council may wish to note that the Secretary-General accordingly addressed Circular Letter No. 2399 to all Member States of the Organization on 5 July 2002, conveying the Council's decision on the matter of the Council Intersessional Working Group, and inviting representation at the meeting to be held on 15 October 2002.

4 The Secretary-General will provide the Council in due course with the report of the Council Intersessional Working Group.

#### **Action requested of the Council**

5 The Council is invited to take note of the information contained in this document.

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