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ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE BUDGETARY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
TO THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

Draft report of the Budgetary and Finance Committee

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Addendum

I. Other Matters

2. Financial implications of matters referred to the  
Committee by the Council

1. In the context of the Committee's review of matters referred to it by the Council because of their financial implications, one member pointed out that the documentation for a number of such matters did not, in fact, contain any clear statement of these implications. He felt that this had resulted in unnecessary difficulties for the Committee, as well as for the Administration, since it had made it necessary for the Committee to request many oral clarifications. In order to facilitate the Committee's work in future, he

proposed that the Committee should recommend to the Council a decision which would require the Administration to provide, at future sessions, a clear statement of the financial implications, whenever applicable, as part of the documentation for the item in question. Such a statement would include, as appropriate, such details as the source of financing proposed, the proposed number and grades of additional staff requested and a breakdown of estimated total costs by object of expenditure.

2. All members who spoke supported this proposal. Some members emphasized that the provision of a statement of financial implications should not lead to an increase in the total length of documentation. Other members suggested that the proposal should not preclude leaving a certain degree of flexibility to the Administration in these matters.

Recommendation of the Committee

3. Following its discussion of this item, the Budgetary and Finance Committee recommended that the Governing Council adopt the following decision:

The Governing Council,

Requests the Administrator to ensure that at future sessions of the Council, all documents having financial implications and submitted for consideration by the Council contain, in a separate section, a concise statement of such financial implications, including the source of financing proposed and, where appropriate, details of the proposed number and grades of additional staff requested and the estimated total costs by object of expenditure.

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