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REPORT OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE

Submitted by the Chairman of the Main Committee,
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1. The Main Committee held two meetings during the period 4-6 December 2001. The present report reflects developments as of Thursday, 6 December 2001, 6 p.m. A third meeting of the Committee was announced for Friday, 7 December 2001, at 10 a.m.
2. The Committee elected the following Vice-Persons: Mr. J. Melaga (Cameroon), Mr. A. Zsigmond (Hungary), Mrs. O. Pellicer Silva (Mexico), Mr. U.W. Thein (Myanmar).
3. In accordance with the mandate given to it by the General Conference, the Committee considered agenda items 7 to 17 and 19. Draft decisions and resolutions on items 9, 10 (a) to 10 (e), 11, 12, 14, 15, 16 and 19 were considered.
4. Consensus was reached during the meeting on 4 December 2001 on nine draft decisions or resolutions under items 10 (b) to (e), 14 to 16, and 19. With the aim of achieving consensus, the following items were discussed informally:
 - Item 10 (a)—Scale of assessments of Member States (under the guidance of Vice-Chairman Mr. A. Zsigmond, Hungary)
 - Item 10 (f)—Appointment of an external auditor (under the guidance of Mr. P. Hosseini, President of the Industrial Development Board)
 - Item 11—Medium-term programme framework, 2002-2005 (under the guidance of Vice-Chairperson Mrs. Pellicer Silva).
5. At its meeting on 6 December 2001, the Chairpersons of the informal working groups on the scale of assessments and the medium-term programme framework, 2002-2005, reported on progress made, and the Committee agreed to continue both informal working groups with a view to achieving consensus.
6. Concerning item 10 (f), appointment of an external auditor, the Committee was informed that the three candidatures remained valid and that the matter would be referred to plenary with the expectation of voting.
7. The present report will be updated orally during the seventh plenary meeting, on 7 December 2001.

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