Report of the Secretary-General on administrative and statutory matters

(c) Detailed Financial Rules

Addendum 1

I. Introduction

1. As outlined in paragraph 9 of document CE/96/2(c), specific proposals for the wording of paragraphs 3.07 and 6.25 of the Detailed Financial Rules have been reviewed. As a result of such review, the following text for these detailed financial rules is proposed:

**Detailed Financial Rule 3.07: Transfers of credits between Sections (Programmes) of the same Part and transfers of credits between Parts (Major Programmes) of the approved budget.**

The Secretary-General is authorized to make such transfers between Sections (Programmes) of the same Part (Major Programmes) on closing the accounts for the financial year after obtaining the authorization of the Programme and Budget Committee. For transfers between various Parts (Major Programme) of the budget, a recommendation from the Programme and Budget Committee and the authorization of the Executive Council should be sought. The authorization of the Programme and Budget Committee and of the Executive Council can also be obtained in written form.

**Detailed Financial Rule 6.25: Special Contingency Reserve**

The use of the Special Contingency Reserve shall be determined by the Secretary-General with prior authorization from the Executive Council, and subsequently reported to the Programme and Budget Committee for confirmation.
II. Actions to be taken by the Executive Council

2. The Executive Council is requested:

   (a) To approve the Detailed Financial Rules as presented in CE/96/2(c) and as modified by this Addendum on its rules 3.07 and 6.25, agreeing that the amended DFR will enter into force once IPSAS is operative, targeting 1 January 2014; and

   (b) To seek approval from the General Assembly about the new text of DFR 6.25 which modifies the way to use the Special Contingency Reserve approved by A/RES/572(XVIII) in accordance to point 4 of Annex 4 of document A/18/15.¹

¹ Its use shall be determined by the Secretary-General with prior authorization from the Chairman of the Executive Council, subject to confirmation by the Committee on Budget and Finance and the Executive Council.