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Agenda item 59 (b)
Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

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Twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 34/83 M of 11 December 1979, in which it requested the Secretary-General to establish the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research on the basis of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General,¹

Reaffirming its resolution 39/148 H of 17 December 1984, in which it approved the statute of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research, renewed the invitation to Governments to consider making voluntary contributions to the Institute and requested the Secretary-General to continue to give the Institute administrative and other support,

Recalling its resolution 45/62 G of 4 December 1990 on the tenth anniversary of the Institute and its resolution 55/35 A of 20 November 2000 on the twentieth anniversary of the Institute,

* Repealed for technical reasons.
¹ A/34/589.
Considering the continuing need for the international community to have access to independent and in-depth research on security issues and prospects for disarmament and non-proliferation,

Underscoring the particularly relevant contribution of the Institute to thinking and analysis on international security issues in the current context,

Taking note of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) audit report on the Institute which makes a positive assessment of the impact of the work of the Institute and recommends that the Institute should seek adequate funding from the regular budget to better meet the costs of its core staff and that the Institute, in consultation with its Board of Trustees, should establish specific posts for the core functions of the Institute,

Taking note also of the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters, in which, after considering the OIOS audit report, the Board recommended that the costs of the core staff of the Institute should be funded from the regular budget of the United Nations,

1. Welcomes the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research;

2. Recognizes the importance, the timeliness and the high quality of the work of the Institute;

3. Reiterates its conviction that the Institute should continue to conduct independent research on problems relating to disarmament and security and to undertake specialized research requiring a high degree of expertise;

4. Appeals to all Member States to continue to make financial contributions to the Institute in order to ensure its viability and the quality of its work over the long term;

5. Recommends that the Secretary-General implement the relevant recommendations of OIOS and the decisions of the Board of Trustees and continue to seek ways to increase the funding of the Institute, within existing resources.

1 A/60/285.