

**REVIEW OF THE ACCEPTANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION
OF JIU RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE UNITED NATIONS
SECRETARIAT**

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The General Assembly of the United Nations has noted repeatedly the importance of enhancing the effectiveness of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) and its follow-up system and has reaffirmed that the effectiveness of the JIU is a shared responsibility of the Unit, member States, and the secretariats of the participating organizations.¹

2. In its resolution 54/16, the General Assembly endorsed the proposal of the Unit to establish a system for the handling of JIU reports and recommendations by its participating organizations (hereafter called “follow-up agreement”). The proposal, entitled “Towards a more effective system of follow-up on reports of the Joint Inspection Unit”, was attached as an annex to the Unit’s annual report for 1997.²

3. Subsequently, in 1998, the Unit started tracking actions taken by legislative bodies on JIU recommendations. This tracking system evolved over the years; the current web-based tracking system (WBTS) was introduced in 2012. The WBTS provides an online platform allowing participating organizations to access and update the status of the consideration of JIU reports and the acceptance and implementation of recommendations. The General Assembly in its resolution 69/275 requested that the heads of participating organizations make full use of the web-based system and provide an in-depth analysis of how the recommendations of the Unit are being implemented.³

4. The Unit is committed to further enhance the effectiveness of its follow-up system and therefore decided to include in its programme of work for 2015 a review of the acceptance and implementation of JIU recommendations by its participating organizations for the period 2006-2012. The most recent years have been excluded from the analysis as it takes some time for reports to be considered by legislative bodies and for recommendations to be implemented by the management. Prior to 2006, all recommendations were closed and their acceptance/implementation was no longer tracked.

5. The review will be conducted in two phases. The objectives of this first phase are to review:

- The acceptance and implementation of recommendations by JIU participating organizations, based on the statistics provided in the WBTS, to prompt action to clear recommendations outstanding for five years or more; and
- The process of handling JIU reports by the legislative bodies and secretariats of organizations to identify shortcomings and delays in the process.

6. A questionnaire on the process of handling JIU reports, notes and management letters has been sent to the JIU focal points at each organization. The results of the first phase of the review will be presented in a series of management letters addressed to executive heads of participating organizations.

7. The second phase will aim at identifying good follow-up practices at organizations and drawing lessons to enhance the follow-up process.

8. The present management letter which is addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations in his capacity of head of the United Nations Secretariat, is the result of the analysis carried out during the first phase of the project and therefore includes:

¹ General Assembly resolutions 50/233, 54/16, 62/246, 63/272, 64/262, 65/270, 66/259, 68/266 and 69/275.

² A/52/34.

³ OP.15.

- A comparison of the acceptance and implementation rates for the period 2006-2012 to position the United Nations Secretariat within the spectrum of JIU participating organizations;
- A trend analysis of the acceptance and implementation rates at the United Nations Secretariat for the period 2006-2012;
- A review of recommendations formulated during the period 2006-2009 still outstanding without any explanation, the acceptance of which is “not available” or is “under consideration”, and/or the implementation of which is “in progress”, “not started” or “not available”; and
- An analysis of the process of handling JIU reports issued from 2010 to 2012 by the United Nations Secretariat and legislative bodies, and an analysis of the time taken for reports to be considered, taking into account the major milestones of the process (reports sent for action, CEB and executive heads’ comments issued and reports taken up).

II. ACCEPTANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Below average rate of implementation

9. The United Nations Secretariat⁴ ranks 17th in acceptance and 18th in the implementation of JIU recommendations among all participating organizations and entities considered in the review for the period 2006-2012. As shown in table 1 below, while the United Nations Secretariat’s acceptance rate is slightly above the average rates of all organizations, the implementation rate is far below the average of all organizations (see annex I for more details). The Inspectors strongly encourage the United Nations managers to make efforts to improve the implementation of recommendations.

Table 1. Rates of acceptance and implementation (2006-2012)*

	United Nations Secretariat	All organizations
Number of recommendations	509	7692**
Number of accepted recommendations	341	5000**
Number of implemented recommendations	238	4020**
Rate of acceptance	67%	65%
Rate of implementation	69.8%	80.4%

* As of February 2015.

** Number of recommendations multiplied by a number of organizations concerned to which recommendations were addressed for action.

B. Decreasing rate of acceptance

10. It can be further noted that, despite the above average results, the rate of acceptance of recommendations has decreased significantly over the period 2006-2012, as shown in table 2 below. Given a lessen number of accepted recommendations, the rate of implementation has increased (see annex II for more details). **The Inspectors request that the Secretary-General**

⁴ The recommendations addressed to the United Nations Secretariat apply in addition to the United Nations offices in Geneva, New York, Nairobi and Vienna, OCHA, OHCHR and the Regional Commissions.

undertakes, not later than June 2016, an analysis of the reasons of the decreasing trend of acceptance of recommendations and reports to the Unit.

Table 2. Trend of acceptance and implementation (2006-2012)*

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of recommendations	87	52	77	51	107	87	48
Rate of acceptance	85.1%	73.1%	71.4%	37.3%	66.4%	71.3%	45.8%
Rate of implementation	63.5%	55.3%	45.5%	78.9%	81.7%	85.5%	86.4%

*As of February 2015.

C. Lower rate of acceptance and implementation of recommendations addressed to the legislative bodies

11. The United Nations Secretariat's rates of acceptance and implementation of recommendations addressed for action to the governing bodies during the period 2006-2012 were lower than the rates of acceptance and implementation of recommendations addressed for action to the executive heads. This is the case at 64 per cent of the organizations. In principle, recommendations addressed to legislative bodies are more difficult to get accepted and implemented since they entail significant policy changes or costs.

Table 3. Rates of acceptance and implementation by addressee (2006-2012)*

	UN executive head	UN legislative bodies
Rate of acceptance	69.4 %	61.5%
Rate of implementation	73.9 %	63.5%

*As of August 2015.

D. High number of long outstanding recommendations for five years or more

12. A review of the 260 recommendations contained in 31 reports, notes and management letters addressed for action to the United Nations Secretariat during the period 2006-2009 shows that, at the beginning of January 2015, there were 136 recommendations outstanding for five years or more, for which action should have already been taken to accept and implement or to reject them. The acceptance of 15 of these recommendations was still under consideration and the acceptance of 43 was not available; the implementation of 44 recommendations was still in progress and the implementation of 34 was not available. With more than half (52.3 per cent) of the recommendations issued during this period still open, the United Nations Secretariat accounts for the second highest number of outstanding recommendations among all organizations.

13. About 15 per cent of these recommendations were addressed to the legislative bodies and three per cent were addressed to the Secretary-General as chairman of the Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB); no action was taken on them so far (they are either "under consideration" or "not available"). The majority of the recommendations is either pending acceptance/rejection (26 per cent) or implementation (56 per cent) by the United Nations secretariat (executive head). These recommendations and their status are listed in annex III. Action by the United Nations Secretariat is required to clear these long outstanding recommendations, as applicable. After five years or more after being sent for action, no recommendation should appear as "acceptance under consideration", "implementation in progress" or "not available". They should be either accepted or rejected and the implementation of those accepted for the most to be completed.

Recommendation 1

The Secretary-General, in his capacity as head of the United Nations Secretariat, should ensure that action is taken to clear the backlog of long outstanding recommendations, as applicable, and report to JIU by December 2015.

III. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS BY THE UNITED NATIONS LEGISLATIVE BODIES

14. This chapter presents an analysis of the process of consideration of JIU reports by the United Nations legislative bodies during the period 2010-2012.

15. The JIU reviewed the handling of 28 reports issued by the Unit during the above-mentioned period, which contained at least one recommendation addressed to the United Nations General Assembly, the United Nations Economic and Social Council or their subsidiary bodies/committees.

16. The review found that the procedures for handling and considering JIU reports were not in full compliance with either the relevant provisions of the JIU statute (articles 11.4 and 12), which the United Nations Secretariat has adhered to, or the provisions of the “follow-up agreement” approved by the General Assembly.

A. Dissemination of JIU reports

17. Article 11.4 (c) of the JIU statute provides that, upon receipt of reports, the executive head(s) concerned shall take immediate action to distribute them to the member States of their organizations. This is also reflected in paragraph 6 of the “follow-up agreement”.

18. In line with the above provisions, the JIU reports are disseminated as official documents of the United Nations as soon as they are printed in all six official languages of the organization,⁵ and are transmitted to the General Assembly with a note by the Secretary-General.⁶ The translation and printing process has however experienced significant delays in recent years, which have affected the timely dissemination, consideration and impact of JIU reports. The Inspectors have entered into a dialogue with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, trusting that such delays will be properly addressed.

19. The JIU reports, notes and management letters are also internally disseminated within the organization. The response to the JIU questionnaire indicates that the electronic copies sent for action/information to the JIU focal point(s) are distributed upon receipt to the relevant departmental focal points for onward dissemination to the relevant senior officials and subject matter experts.

B. Submission of CEB and executive heads’ comments

20. In the case of system-wide reports, article 11.4 (e) of the JIU statute calls for the preparation of joint comments of executive heads within the framework of the CEB for submission to the competent organs of the organizations together with any comments of the respective executive head on matters that concern his/her organization.

⁵ Only reports are translated; notes are published in the original language.

⁶ Only reports are transmitted for consideration by the relevant legislative bodies; notes are not transmitted since their recommendations are addressed to executive heads.

21. The Inspectors noted that CEB comments were transmitted to the General Assembly together with the relevant JIU reports. This is considered a good practice.

22. The response to the JIU questionnaire indicated that the Secretary-General's comments are included in the CEB comments transmitted with the Secretary-General's note to the General Assembly, and no separate executive heads' comments are submitted in the case of system-wide reports. However, in the case of single organization reports, where no joint CEB comments are issued, separate executive head's comments are prepared and transmitted with a note by the Secretary-General.

C. JIU reports formally considered by legislative bodies

23. All but one⁷ of 28 reports sent for action to the United Nations Secretariat during the period 2010-2012 were tabled for consideration by the competent organ of the organization under the relevant agenda item; thematic reports were taken up under the appropriate substantive agenda items. Time was allocated for Inspectors to introduce their reports formally and informally, upon request. This is also considered a good practice. Nonetheless, not all reports have been considered at the following meeting of the competent organ.

D. Delays in consideration

24. Despite the annual frequency of the most of United Nations Committees' meetings, more than one third of the JIU reports sent for action to the United Nations Secretariat during the period 2010-2012 were considered by the competent organ after one year; two reports were considered by the competent organ with a delay close to three or four years (see annex 4).

E. No decision taken on JIU recommendations

25. Article 11.4 (f) of the JIU statute sets up that executive heads of organizations inform the Unit of all decisions taken by the competent organs of their organizations on reports of the Unit. These provisions are recaptured in paragraphs 12 and 19 of the "follow-up agreement". Paragraph 12, in particular, states that "legislative organs should take concrete action on each recommendation, as called for in paragraph 8 of General Assembly resolution 50/233, rather than just taking note of the report as a whole". This is a necessary requirement for JIU reports to have impact, as article 5, paragraph 5, of the JIU statute provides that the Inspectors of the Unit may make recommendations but have no power of decision.

26. In this regard, the Inspectors noted that, when considering JIU reports, the General Assembly used to adopt resolutions whereby it commented on and/or explicitly endorsed the recommendations contained therein.⁸ This practice was replaced by no action at all or by "taking note of", "having considered" or "welcome" the JIU reports without the competent organ explicitly approving the recommendations to be implemented as expeditiously as possible, as per article 12 of the JIU statute (see annex 4).

⁷ [E/AC.51/2013/L.4](#) "The Committee [for Programme and Coordination], at its 2nd meeting, held a discussion on the consideration of agenda item 5, "Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit", and decided, at that stage, not to consider the report of the Unit entitled "Evaluation of UN-Oceans" (A/67/400) and the comments of the Secretary-General and of the CEB thereon (A/67/400/Add.1)."

⁸ A/RES/54/255 of 7 April 2000, A/RES/55/257 of 15 June 2001, A/RES/56/234 of 24 December 2001, A/RES/56/279 of 27 March 2002, A/RES/58/263 of 23 December 2003, A/RES/58/277 of 23 December 2003 and A/RES/58/283 of 8 April 2004.

27. When no action is taken on a report and its recommendations addressed to the legislative bodies, or when they are only “taken note of”, the recommendations are recorded in the WBTS as “not relevant”, “not available” or “under consideration”. In these instances, the rate of acceptance and implementation is affected and the impact of the recommendations reduced without a clear direction from member States.

28. The Unit in its annual reports has reported on several occasions about the lack of acceptance or rejection of recommendations and called upon legislative bodies to carry out their governance role by deciding on a concrete course of action on recommendations. Usually, the General Assembly uses the term “takes note”, which, according to the United Nations Secretariat, indicates neither agreement nor disagreement. The Inspectors will continue to address this issue directly with governing bodies.

29. The response to the JIU questionnaire indicated that it is the secretariats of the relevant committees where JIU reports are considered, which prepare draft decisions/resolutions on the reports and recommendations addressed to legislative bodies for action. The Inspectors request that the focal point inform the secretariats of these committees of the importance of drafting decisions/resolutions proposing a concrete course of action on JIU recommendations when the Unit’s reports are considered. To facilitate their job, the United Nations Secretariat could provide comments and suggest a course of action for each recommendation, as currently done by other participating organizations.

30. The Inspectors noted that, on occasions, JIU recommendations are rephrased in the operative paragraphs of resolutions and in the Secretary-General’s reports without attributing them to the JIU.⁹ Regrettably, there is no mechanism in place to track and report these cases. It would require that every resolution adopted by the United Nations General Assembly, United Nations Economic and Social Council and relevant committees where a JIU report had been considered be scrutinized against each recommendation in the report to detect any instance where a JIU recommendation was reiterated/rephrased without attribution and the recommendation in question be recorded in the WBTS as acted upon/accepted. However, both the JIU focal point at the organization and the JIU secretariat staff are overstretched and not in position to do so. Instead, the departmental focal points, who are familiar with the subject and responsible for updating the status of recommendations in the WBTS, should be requested to undertake this analysis and report on the outcome in the system.

31. Without a proper mechanism in place, the United Nations Secretariat most likely would continue to unduly record a high number of “open” recommendations addressed to the legislative bodies and a low rate of acceptance and implementation. In this regard, it is recalled that the General Assembly in its resolution 69/275 “requests the heads of participating organizations to make full use of the web-based system of the Unit and to provide an in-depth analysis of how the recommendations of the Unit are being implemented”.

⁹ For instance, recommendation 7 of the JIU/REP/2011/3 on “South-South and triangular cooperation in the UN system” calls for the regular participation of the [UNDP] Unit Head and its regional coordinators in all strategic and decision-making mechanisms; recommendation 8 of the same report requests to use the annual meetings of the regional coordination mechanisms (RCM) as a tool for advancing system-wide cooperation and coordination in support of South-South cooperation. A/RES/69/239 of 2 February 2015, after taking note of the report, reformulated these recommendations in OP. 17 and 24 without accrediting them to the JIU. As such endorsement went unnoticed, these two recommendations appear in the WBTS as “under consideration”.

Recommendation 2

Once JIU reports and recommendations thereof have been considered by the United Nations General Assembly, the Secretary-General of the United Nations should instruct the JIU focal point to direct the departmental focal points responsible for the follow-up to JIU recommendations, to identify any direct or indirect references made in resolutions to the acceptance/implementation of recommendations and to make appropriate record in the WBTS.

F. Follow-up and reporting on the implementation of JIU recommendations

32. In line with article 12 of the JIU statute and paragraph 17 of the “follow-up agreement”, the executive heads shall ensure expeditious implementation of approved/accepted recommendations; the Unit may submit reports on the implementation and impact of recommendations to the legislative organs, upon request or on its own initiative. Paragraph 22 of the agreement also states that executive heads shall submit follow-up reports to their legislative organs.

33. Until 2004, the Secretary-General used to follow up and report on JIU recommendations. Such reporting by the Secretary-General was based on a series of long-standing resolutions of the General Assembly dating back to 1972 and was discontinued at the request of the United Nations Secretariat to avoid duplication after the United Nation General Assembly endorsed the follow-up system and the Unit initiated its own systematic tracking and reporting.¹⁰

34. In the response to the JIU questionnaire, the United Nations Secretariat indicated that quarterly updates on the acceptance and implementation of JIU recommendations are presented to the Management Committee and the Independent Audit Advisory Committee and brief updates are provided by the Secretary-General in its accountability reports to the General Assembly. JIU reviewed these latter reports for the last five years and did not find any such reference. If implemented, this would constitute a good practice.

35. While the Inspectors consider the reporting to the management and audit committees as a good practice, they see the lack of reporting on implementation of recommendations to the General Assembly as a shortcoming yet to be addressed. One option to consider is **to include in the annual note by the Secretary-General to the General Assembly¹¹ a brief analysis based on data extracted from the WBTS of the rate of acceptance and implementation by the United Nations Secretariat, as compared to other organizations of the system.** The aim would be to allow member States to effectively exercise their oversight responsibilities.

36. We would appreciate receiving a response to this management letter and its recommendations by 31 December 2015.

¹⁰ General Assembly resolution 59/267 (op.4).

¹¹ Prepared pursuant to paragraph 17 of General Assembly resolution 65/270, in which it requested the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB), to expedite the implementation of that resolution, including through the expected provision of support to the Joint Inspection Unit by the secretariats of the participating organizations in the preparation of its reports, notes and confidential letters, and through the consideration of and action on the recommendations of the Unit in the light of pertinent resolutions of the Assembly, and to report to the Assembly on an annual basis on the results achieved.

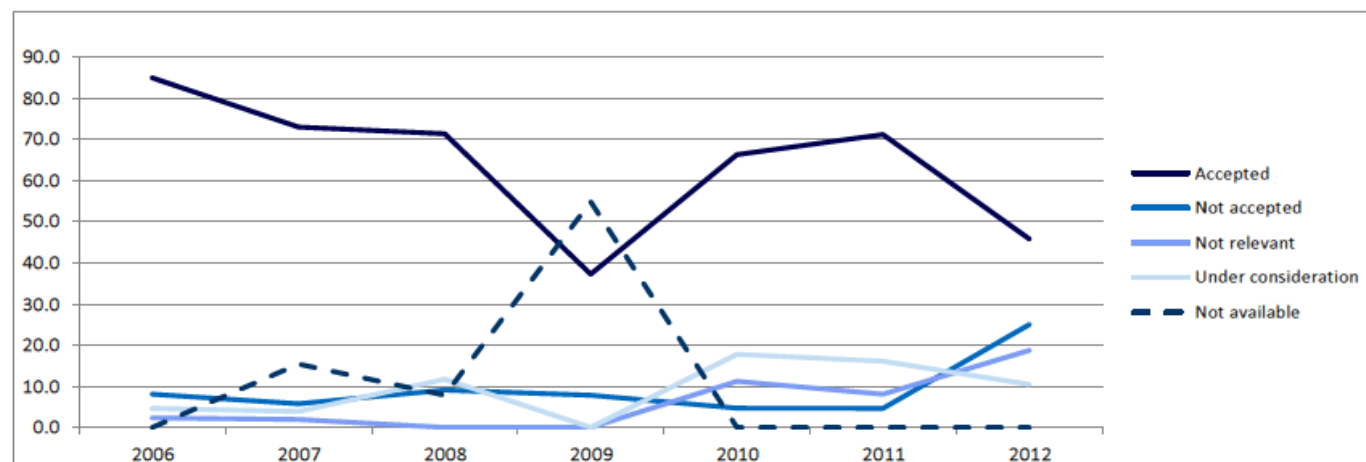
**Annex I: Rates of acceptance and implementation by organization (2006-2012),
as of February 2015**

	<i>(percentage)</i>		<i>(percentage)</i>
	<i>Accepted</i>		<i>Implemented</i>
FAO	93.7	OHCHR	100.0
UNRWA	91.2	FAO	97.3
WFP	89.6	ICAO	94.1
UNHCR	86.2	WFP	93.4
UNFPA	85.7	WMO	92.8
WHO	83.6	UNIDO	92.6
UNIDO	82.9	UNESCO	90.4
UNDP	82.3	UNHCR	89.2
UNESCO	81.9	WHO	88.3
UNOPS	81.0	UNEP	86.7
ICAO	80.8	UNCTAD	86.6
UNICEF	80.4	UNRWA	82.4
UNEP	78.7	UNOPS	82.0
UNAIDS	77.8	ILO	80.5
IMO	72.8	All organizations	80.4
ILO	68.2	UNFPA	80.1
UN	67.0	WIPO	78.2
All organizations	65.0	UNWTO	73.7
WMO	63.9	UN	69.8
WIPO	56.3	UNDP	69.5
ITU	47.4	UNICEF	66.3
OHCHR	38.5	IAEA	61.3
IAEA	35.3	UN-Habitat	61.2
UNCTAD	32.8	UNODC	57.9
UPU	25.7	IMO	57.2
UNODC	22.4	UNAIDS	51.4
UN-Habitat	19.2	ITC	50.0
ITC *	18.2	UPU	46.8
UNWTO	6.3	ITU	46.2
CEB	0.0	CEB	0.0
UN-WOMEN *	0.0	UN-WOMEN	0.0

*From 2012.

Annex II: United Nations trend of acceptance and implementation of JIU recommendations (as of February 2015)

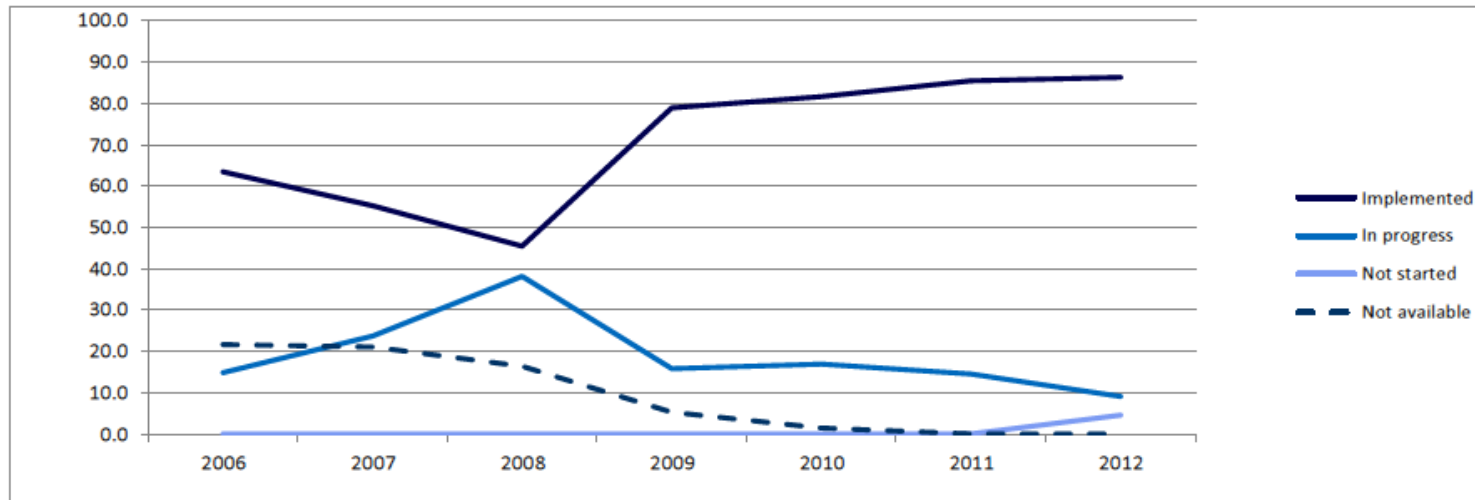
Acceptance



%	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Accepted	85.1	73.1	71.4	37.3	66.4	71.3	45.8
Not accepted	8.0	5.8	9.1	7.8	4.7	4.6	25.0
Not relevant	2.3	1.9	0.0	0.0	11.2	8.0	18.8
Under consideration	4.6	3.8	11.7	0.0	17.8	16.1	10.4
Not available	0.0	15.4	7.8	54.9	0.0	0.0	0.0

Values	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Accepted	74	38	55	19	71	62	22
Not accepted	7	3	7	4	5	4	12
Not relevant	2	1	0	0	12	7	9
Under consideration	4	2	9	0	19	14	5
Not available	0	8	6	28	0	0	0

Implementation



%	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Implemented	63.5	55.3	45.5	78.9	81.7	85.5	86.4
In progress	14.9	23.7	38.2	15.8	16.9	14.5	9.1
Not started	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.5
Not available	21.6	21.1	16.4	5.3	1.4	0.0	0.0

Values	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Implemented	47	21	25	15	58	53	19
In progress	11	9	21	3	12	9	2
Not started	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Not available	16	8	9	1	1	0	0

Annex III: Recommendations addressed to the United Nations Secretariat outstanding for five years or more, as of February 2015

	Executive Head	Legislative Body	Chief Executives Board
Outstanding Recommendations: Acceptance in progress and under consideration	36/136 (26.4%)	20/136 (14.7%)	4/136 (2.9%)
Outstanding Recommendations: Implementation not available and in progress	45/136 (33.1%)	29/136 (21.3%)	2/136 (1.4%)

Report number	Recommendation number	Current status	Recommendation Addressee (Legislative Body, Executive Head, or Chief Executives Board)
JIU/REP/2006/1	1	Implementation: In progress	Legislative Body
	3	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	5	Acceptance: Under consideration	Secretary-General as Chairman of Chief Executives Board
	8	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	9	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	10	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	13	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	16	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2006/2	2	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	7	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	10	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
JIU/REP/2006/4	2	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	4	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	5	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	6	Implementation: In progress	Legislative Body

Report number	Recommendation number	Current status	Recommendation Addressee (Legislative Body, Executive Head, or Chief Executives Board)
	10	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
JIU/REP/2006/5	2	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	3	Acceptance: Under consideration	Executive Head
	4	Acceptance: Under consideration	Executive Head
	6	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	8	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	9	Acceptance: Under consideration	Secretary-General as Chairman of Chief Executives Board
	10	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	14	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	15	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	17	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
JIU/REP/2006/6	2	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	7	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	10	Implementation: Not available	Executive Head
	11	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	16	Implementation: Not available	Executive Head
JIU/ML/2007/1	3	Implementation: Not available	Executive Head
JIU/NOTE/2007/1	1	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2007/1	3	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	4	Acceptance: Under consideration	Legislative Body
	5	Acceptance: Under consideration	Legislative Body
	6	Acceptance: Under consideration	Legislative Body
	7	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
JIU/NOTE/2007/2	1	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head

Report number	Recommendation number	Current status	Recommendation Addressee (Legislative Body, Executive Head, or Chief Executives Board)
	2	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2007/2	3	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	4	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	5	Implementation: In progress	Legislative Body
	6	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
JIU/REP/2007/4	2	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	5	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	6	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	7	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	8	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2007/8	8	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
JIU/REP/2007/9	9	Implementation: In progress	Secretary-General as Chairman of Chief Executives Board
JIU/REP/2007/10	2	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	3	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	4	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	5	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	6	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	7	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	8	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
JIU/NOTE/2008/1	4	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	6	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	7	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
JIU/NOTE/2008/2	7	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2008/2	1	Acceptance: Under consideration	Legislative Body

Report number	Recommendation number	Current status	Recommendation Addressee (Legislative Body, Executive Head, or Chief Executives Board)
	2	Acceptance: Under consideration	Legislative Body
	3	Acceptance: Under consideration	Legislative Body
JIU/NOTE/2008/3	1	Acceptance: Under consideration	Executive Head
	2	Acceptance: Under consideration	Executive Head
	3	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	4	Acceptance: Under consideration	Executive Head
	6	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2008/3	1	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	3	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	4	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	5	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	6	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	7	Implementation: Not available	Secretary-General as Chairman of Chief Executives Board
	9	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	10	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	12	Acceptance: Under consideration	Executive Head
JIU/NOTE/2008/4	1	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	2	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	3	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	4	Implementation: Not available	Executive Head
	8	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	12	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	15	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	17	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head

Report number	Recommendation number	Current status	Recommendation Addressee (Legislative Body, Executive Head, or Chief Executives Board)
	18	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2008/4	1	Acceptance: Not available	Secretary-General as Chairman of Chief Executives Board
	2	Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
	3	Acceptance: Not available	Secretary-General as Chairman of Chief Executives Board
	4	Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
	5	Acceptance: Under consideration	Executive Head
	7	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	8	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	9	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	10	Implementation: Not available	Legislative Body
	11	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	JIU/REP/2008/5	1	Implementation: In progress
3		Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
4		Acceptance: Under consideration	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2008/6	1	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	2	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	4	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2009/1	25	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
JIU/NOTE/2009/2	9	Implementation: Not available	Executive Head
JIU/REP/2009/5	1	Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
	4	Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
	8	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head

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	12	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	13	Implementation: In progress	Executive Head
	16	Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
JIU/REP/2009/6	1	Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
	2	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	3	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	4	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	5	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	6	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	9	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	10	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	11	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	12	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	13	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	16	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	17	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	18	Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
	JIU/REP/2009/8	1	Acceptance: Not available
2		Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
3		Acceptance: Not available	Executive Head
4		Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
6		Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
7		Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
9		Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
10		Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body

Report number	Recommendation number	Current status	Recommendation Addressee (Legislative Body, Executive Head, or Chief Executives Board)
	12	Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
JIU/REP/2009/9	1	Acceptance: Not available	Legislative Body
Total outstanding recommendations		136	

**Annex IV: Milestones in the process of consideration of JIU reports by the United Nations legislative bodies,
as of February 2015**

Report symbol	Type of report (System-wide, several or single organization)	Date report sent for action	Date of issuance of CEB comments and symbol	Time taken by CEB secretariat to issue comments (in months)	Date of issuance of executive head comments and symbol	Time taken by executive head to issue comments (in months)	Date report taken up by legislative body and symbol	Time between report sent for action and taken up by legislative body (in months)	Action taken by legislative bodies (accept, reject, note taken, no action)	Remarks
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)=(c) – (b)	(e)	(f)= (e) – (b)	(g)	(h) = (g) – (b)	(j)	(k)
JIU/REP/2012/12	SWR	15/02/2013	23/05/2013 A/67/873/Add.1	3 months, 8 days	23/05/2013 A/67/873/Add.1	3 months, 8 days	05/06/2013, A/68/16 (CPC)	4 months	The Committee took note in A/68/16.	GA endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the CPC on evaluation, on the annual overview report of the CEB for 2012, on UN system support for NEPAD and on the reports of the JIU. A/RES/68/20

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JIU/REP/2012/11	SWR	07/03/2013	20/05/2013 A/67/867/Add.1	2 months, 13 days	20/05/2013 A/67/867/Add .1	2 months, 13 days	05/06/2013, A/68/16 (CPC)	3 months	The Committee took note of the report and recommended that the GA endorse the recommendations contained in the report.in A/68/16 GA endorses the conclusions and recommendations of the CPC on evaluation, on the annual overview report of the CEB for 2012, on UN system support for NEPAD and on the reports of the JIU. A/RES/68/20	
JIU/REP/2012/9	SWR	28/02/2013	19/09/2013 A/68/373/Add.1	6 months, 22 days	19/09/2013 A/68/373/Add	6 months, 22 days	27/12/2013 A/RES/68/252	10 months	Having also considered	CEB comments more than 6 months

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										.1	No decision taken
JIU/REP/2012/8	SWR	28/06/2013	04/09/2013 A/68/344/Add.1	2 months	04/09/2013 A/68/344/Add .1	2 months, 7 days	27/12/2013 A/RES/68/246	6 months	Having further considered	No decision taken	
JIU/REP/2012/5	SWR	28/02/2013	19/09/2013 A/68/67/Add.1	6.5 months	19/09/2013 A/68/67/Add. 1	6 months, 22 days	27/12/2013 A/RES/68/252	10 months	Having also considered	No decision taken	
JIU/REP/2012/4	SWR	22/10/2012	21/06/2013 A/67/888/Add.1	8 months	21/06/2013 A/67/888/Add .1	7 months, 30 days	27/12/2013 A/RES/68/252	14 months	Having also considered	CEB comments more than 6 months Report taken up >1 year	
JIU/REP/2012/3	SWR	09/08/2012	26/11/2012 A/67/400/Add.1	3.5 months,	26/11/2012 A/67/400/Add .1	3 months, 17 days			No res. found	"The Committee, at its 2nd meeting, held a discussion on the consideration of agenda item 5, "Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit", and decided, at that stage, not to	

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										consider the report of the Unit entitled "Evaluation of UN-Oceans" (A/67/400) and the comments of the Secretary-General and of the CEB thereon (A/67/400/Add.1)." E/AC.51/2013/L.4
JIU/REP/2012/2	SWR	11/05/2012	28/09/2012 A/67/337/Add.1	4.5 months	28/09/2012 A/67/337/Add.1	4 months, 17 days	12/4/2013 A/RES/67/255	11 months,	Having also considered	No decision taken
JIU/REP/2011/11	SWR	12/04/2012	01/03/2013 A/68/63/Add.1	10.5 months	01/03/2013 A/68/63/Add.1	10 months, 17 days	11/12/2013 A/RES/68/72	20 months	Taking note	CEB comments more than 6 months Report taken up >1 year No decision taken
JIU/REP/2011/10	SEV	15/03/2012	11/10/2012	7 months	11/10/2012 A/67/136/Add	6 months,	12/4/2013	13 months	Having also	Report taken up >1

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			A/67/136/Add.1		.1	26 days	A/RES/67/255		considered	year No decision taken
JIU/REP/2011/9	SWR	09/03/2012	29/06/2012 A/67/119/Add.1	3.5 months	29/06/2012 A/67/119/Add.1	3 months, 20 days	12/4/2013 A/RES/67/254	13 months	Having also considered	Report taken up >1 year No decision taken
JIU/REP/2011/7	SWR	29/03/2012	29/08/2012 A/67/140/Add.1	5 months	29/08/2012 A/67/140/Add.1	5 months	12/4/2013 A/RES/67/258	12.5 months	Having considered	Report taken up >1 year No decision taken
JIU/REP/2011/6	SWR	21/02/2012	02/07/2012 A/67/83/Add.1	4.5 months	02/07/2012 A/67/83/Add.1	4 months, 11 days	12/4/2013 A/67/140/Add.1 and A/RES/67/254	14 months	Having also considered	Report taken up >1 year No decision taken
JIU/REP/2011/5	SWR	21/02/2012	28/02/2012 A/66/710/Add.1	7 days	28/02/2012 A/66/710/Add.1	7 days	09/04/2012 A/RES/66/257	1.5 months	Welcomes	No decision taken
JIU/REP/2011/4	SWR	29/03/2012	15/06/2012 A/67/78/Add.1	2.5 month	15/06/2012 A/67/78/Add.1	2 months, 17 days	24/07/2013 A/RES/67/292	16 months	“Calls upon the Secretary-General to continue to	Report taken up > 1 year

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						1				develop the network of focal points that supports the Coordinator for Multilingualism [...]taking into consideration the relevant recommendations contained in the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on multilingualism;”
JIU/REP/2011/3	SWR	08/07/2011	29/02/2012 A/66/717/Add.1	7.5 months	29/02/2012 A/66/717/Add .1	7 months, 21 days	19/12/2014 A/RES/69/239	41 months	Further takes note	CEB comments more than 6 months Report taken up >3 years No decision taken
JIU/REP/2011/2	SEV	20/05/2011	30/01/2012 A/66/380/Add.1	8.5 months	30/01/2012 A/66/380/Add .1	8 months, 10 days	09/04/2012 A/RES/66/257	10.5 months	Welcomes	No decision taken

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JIU/REP/2011/1	SWR	10/06/2011	23/03/2012 A/66/327/Add.1	9.5 months	23/03/2012 A/66/327/Add.1	9 months, 13 days	12/4/2013 A/RES/67/255	21.5 months	Having also considered	CEB comments more than 6 months Report taken up >1 year No decision taken
JIU/REP/2010/10	SO	23/02/2011	16/09/2011 A/66/315/Add.1	7 months	16/09/2011 A/66/315/Add.1	6 months, 24 days	24/12/2011 A/RES/66/246	10 months	Having considered	No decision taken
JIU/REP/2010/9	SWR	10/03/2011	21/10/2011 A/66/137/Add.1	7.5 months	21/10/2011 A/66/137/Add.1	7 months, 11 days	22/12/2011 A/RES/66/223	9.5 months	Takes note	CEB comments more than 6 months No decision taken
JIU/REP/2010/8	SWR	29/03/2011	23/09/2011 A/66/355/Add.1	6 months	23/09/2011 A/66/355/Add.1	5 months, 25 days	24/12/2011 A/RES/66/234	9 months	Having also considered	No decision taken
JIU/REP/2010/7	SWR	16/12/2010	23/09/2011 A/66/348/Add.1	9 months	23/09/2011 A/66/348/Add.1	9 months, 7 days	24/12/2011 A/RES/66/246	12 months	Having considered	No decision taken

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JIU/REP/2010/6	SWR	22/11/2010	17/08/2011 A/66/308/Add.1	9 months	17/08/2011 A/66/308/Add.1	8 months, 26 days	24/12/2011 A/66/637, and A/RES/66/246	13 months	Having considered	Report taken up >1 year No decision taken
JIU/REP/2010/5	SWR	04/01/2011	23/09/2011 A/66/73/Add.1	8.5 months	23/09/2011 A/66/73/Add.1	8 months, 19 days	02/02/2012 A/RES/66/236	13 months	Considered	No decision taken
JIU/REP/2010/4	SWR	22/11/2010	17/08/2011 A/65/788/Add.1	9 months	17/08/2011 A/65/788/Add.1	8 months, 26 days	09/04/2012 A/RES/66/257	16.5 months	Welcomes	Report taken up >1 year No decision taken
JIU/REP/2010/3	SWR	18/06/2010	09/09/2010 A/65/345/Add.1	3 months	09/09/2010 A/65/345/Add.1	2 months, 22 days	24/12/2010 A/RES/65/247	6 months	Also Considered	No decision taken
JIU/REP/2010/2	SWR	19/05/2010	01/09/2010 A/65/338/Add.1	3.5 months	01/09/2010 A/65/338/Add.1	3 months 13 days	4/4/2011 A/RES/65/268	10.5 months	Considered	No decision taken

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JIU/REP/2010/1	SWR	19/03/2010	07/09/2010 A/65/346/Add.1	5.5 months	07/09/2010 A/65/346/Add .1	5 months, 19 days	9/04/2014 A/RES/68/263	48.5 months	Considered	Report taken up >4 years No decision taken