

Fifth Committee, the Assembly unanimously decided to undertake a comprehensive review of the system of pension benefits; to increase pensionable remuneration by 5 per cent; and, pending the outcome of the comprehensive review, to supplement pensions and life annuities by 5 per cent to alleviate hardships. The Secretary-General had recommended a supplement of 10 per cent. However, a number of delegations, including the Canadian, questioned the desirability or necessity of a supplement of this size, particularly since any supplement that was approved might prejudice the outcome of the comprehensive review on pension benefits. Accordingly the Assembly agreed to limit the supplement to 5 per cent.