



TOWARDS A RAPID REACTION CAPABILITY FOR THE UNITED NATIONS

- 26. The Secretary-General, in conjunction with Member States, should encourage continued international discussion of seeking alternative funding for the UN system, in order to place the Organization on a more stable financial basis, and should consider the appointment of a high-level expert group, reporting to the General Assembly, to examine possible future sources of financing.**

The United Nations was created "to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war". Within that vision, we must seek to develop the best means of equipping the UN to perform its tasks. Over the long term, the UN needs to acquire a reliable, effective capacity to respond to crisis situations. As we consider the future of the UN, the focus should be on thinking about the possible security needs of the international community into the next millenium and on developing the capabilities which can enable the UN to meet those needs in effective ways.