



\$5.4 billion resulting from a review of all aspects of the Secretariat's costs, including posts. We

He recognized him for achieving this level not by one-time gimmicks but by making

additional post and exchange rate-related recosting last December. We have made no objection

as a result, UNRWA's total cost for 2012 is \$67 million (11%) over 2011, while other UN agencies

areas have seen far more modest -- and in some cases no -- reductions. And we have been

sounding the alarm about the spiraling costs of UN compensation -- which is what most of so-called "recosting" in the current biennium really represents -- for two years.

▲ ... of supporting posts (120) to judges (5) in the International Court

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of Justice;

- The proposed transitioning of the United Nations Environment Program to the Regular Budget;
- The proposed upward reclassification of posts; and
- The ratio of higher to other level posts that appear top-heavy in some offices.

... efficiency will be enough. Mr. Chairman, depends on a larger

maximize our investments in the UN. It is vital to proceed urgently on a comprehensive staffing review that should include an assessment of the appropriate distribution of staff across

department, office, and activity across the Secretariat by grade levels and geographic location.

On making a comprehensive review to optimize the Organization's resources, the Secretary-General

But if we're not willing to consider such sensible reforms, there is another course: we must then