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**Statement of the Vice-Chairman**  
**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**  
**23 October 2017**

**Fourteenth annual progress report on the implementation of  
the capital master plan**

*(ACABQ report: A/72/536 related reports A/72/294, A/72/5 (Vol. V))*

Mr Chairman,

A/72/536) on

the fifteenth annual progress report on the implementation of the capital master plan.

In its report, the Advisory Committee comments, inter alia, on project status, energy efficiency, accessibility, maintenance arrangements and protection of assets.

Regarding project progress and status, the Advisory Committee notes that all construction work had been completed by August 2017, and that the Secretariat projects an administrative closeout date of 31 December 2018. In this regard, the Committee further notes that there has been a delay of almost 3 years as compared to the original scheduled date of completion, which was the end of 2014.

With regard to financial status, the Advisory Committee notes that the total approved funding for the capital master plan project amounts to \$2,150.4

million, including \$49 million for the interim solutions and residual works. Taking into account the associated costs and the cost of the secondary data centre borne by the capital master plan project, the final cost of the capital master plan, excluding the renovation of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library and South Annex Buildings, amounts to \$2,309.3 million.

With regard to energy efficiency, the Advisory Committee expects the issues with the Energy Dashboard and Reporting Tool to be resolved expeditiously. The Committee reiterates its previous recommendation that the Secretary-General provide information on the quantifiable efficiency gains achieved, both in terms of energy usage and costs of utilities, based on actual data gathered. The Committee also recommends that the Secretary-General be requested to closely monitor and continue to optimize energy usage, and to report on actual efficiency gains realized in future progress reports.

The Advisory Committee expects the Secretary-General to address as a matter of priority the issues related to the resources of the heating ventilation and air conditioning shop, and to provide an update on the status of the maintenance arrangements to the General Assembly at the time of its consideration of the fifteenth progress report.

With regard to accessibility, while recognizing that a number of accessibility elements have been implemented under the capital master plan, the Advisory Committee recommends that the Secretary-General be requested to conduct a review to identify any gaps in the infrastructure, and to report on the findings of the review in his next progress report.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman

**Déclaration du Vice-Président**  
**du Comité consultatif pour les questions administratives et budgétaires**  
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étaient achevés et que le Secrétariat prévoit une clôture administrative à la date du 31 décembre 2017. À cet égard, le Comité consultatif note travaux initialement prévue, à savoir la fin 2014.

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compte que les problèmes liés au système de communication des

Comité consultatif recommande à nouveau que le Secrétaire général

coût des services collectifs de distribution. Il recommande également

général de surveiller

effectivement obtenus.

Le Comité consultatif compte que le Secrétaire général

re prioritaire des questions relatives aux ressources des

services de chauffage, ventilation et climatisation et rendra compte à

examinera le quinzième rapport annuel.

cessibilité, le Comité consultatif constate

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prie le Secrétaire général de procéder à un examen pour recenser les lacunes que pourraient présenter les infrastructures et de lui faire part