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Report of the Secretary-General*

Summary

The present report is submitted in compliance with General Assembly resolution 58/13, by which the Assembly encouraged the Secretary-General to continue to improve the capacity of the Organization to respond effectively to the requests of Member States by providing coherent and adequate support for their efforts to achieve the goals of good governance and democratization.

The report is also submitted pursuant to resolution 58/281, in which the Assembly invited the Secretary-General, Member States, the relevant specialized agencies and bodies of the United Nations system, as well as other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, to support and collaborate in the holding of the Sixth International Conference of New or Restored Democracies in Doha in 2006. The report discusses, in particular, the follow-up to the Fifth International Conference of New or Restored Democracies held in Ulaanbaatar in 2003, and the preparations for the Sixth International Conference. The Secretary-General indicates in the report that he intends to initiate a study on the comparative advantages, complementarity and desirable distribution of labour of various intergovernmental democracy movements, organizations and institutes, whether global or regional, and on how the United Nations system has worked and could further work with them in a

* Owing to recent events and changes in the Secretariat related to the agenda item, the report could not be submitted at an earlier date.