American Federation of Teachers – Continuation of Partnership

The Staff Council,

Recalling resolutions 44/43 (3 April 2014) and 44/54 (9 April 2015);

Noting that the partnership with the American Federation of Teachers - AFT continues to be useful to the United Nations Staff Union – UNSU in various ways, including by AFT’s advocacy of UNSU’s issues and concerns among the Host Country authorities and the international Unions;

Further noting that UNSU currently has around 1,000 dues paying members;

The Staff Council,

Decides to authorize to the President of the United Nations Staff Union to once again sign an addendum to the Unity Agreement between AFT and UNSU stating the following:

“Addendum to the Unity Agreement between the United Nations Staff Union and the American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO

The United Nations Staff Union and the American Federation of Teachers agree that the parties have fulfilled their mutual and joint responsibilities, under the Unity Agreement dated May 23, 2014, and that the members of the UNSU and the AFT, as well as the labor movement as a whole, have benefited greatly as a result of this partnership and look forward to its continuation. In light of this successful collaboration, and with a view toward making it permanent, the parties agree to an extension of this agreement, and continuation of its provisions, commencing May 24, 2016 through May 24, 2017. It is understood that the parties are free at any time during this period to commence discussions leading to the amendment by mutual consent of the terms, conditions, and duration of this agreement.”

Further decides that, in view of the current number of UNSU’s due paying members, the total amount of annual fees to be paid by UNSU to AFT be capped at USD 28,000.00 (twenty-eight thousand US dollars).