

## **DRAFT RESOLUTION**

### **The Council**

**Recognizing** the need to provide advice to the Council on the risk management and control processes in place in the Organization;

### **Considering**

The Report of the External Review Committee to the CERN Council (CERN/2444) and in particular the recommendation contained therein concerning the establishment of an Audit Committee;

The general agreement expressed by the Finance Committee, the Committee of Council and the Council at their respective meetings of 19, 20 and 21 June 2002 on the desirability of the creation of an Audit Committee at CERN;

The recommendation expressed by the Finance Committee and the Committee of Council and the decision taken by the Council at the above-mentioned meetings to establish an Implementation Group to submit proposals in September 2002 for the introduction of an Audit Committee;

The comments made by the Committee of Council at its meeting of 19 September 2002 and by the Finance Committee at its meetings of 18 September and 6 November 2002;

That the creation of such a body shall be without prejudice to the responsibilities of the existing bodies, in particular to those of the Council and of the Director-General as defined by the CERN Convention, dated 1 July 1953 and revised on 17 January 1971 and of the Finance Committee as defined in Annex 1 of the Financial Rules;

**Having regard** to the proposals for the establishment of an Audit Committee submitted by the Implementation Group to the Committee of Council at its meeting of 12 December 2002 and to the Council at its Session of 13 December 2002;

#### **DECIDES**

The establishment of an Audit Committee at CERN which shall be governed by the Terms of Reference in Annex 1 of document CERN/2471/Rev.

#### **AND INVITES**

The Member States delegations to submit proposals for chairmanship of the Audit Committee and to provide a list of candidates for membership.