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<i>Summary</i>	<i>First estimates of receipts and expenditure for 2013</i>
<i>Action to be taken</i>	<i>Preparation of the draft budget for the 2013 financial year</i>
<i>Related documents</i>	<i>Draft budget 2013 – First estimates (UNIDROIT 2012 - F.C.(71) 2); Report of the 71st session of the Finance Committee (UNIDROIT 2012 - F.C (71) 5)</i>

1. The first estimates of receipts and expenditure for the 2013 financial year prepared by the Secretariat (F.C. (71) 2) were examined by the Finance Committee at its 71st session (Rome, 15 March 2012), in accordance with Article 31 of the Regulations. These first estimates are contained in the Appendix to the document prepared for the 71st session of the Finance Committee (F.C. (71) 2).
2. On the basis of those initial estimates, the Governing Council is called upon to draw up the draft Budget for 2013 to be communicated to the Governments of member States for observations. Governments will have until 21 September 2012 to submit their observations.
3. Together with any comments received by the Secretariat, the draft Budget will be transmitted to the Finance Committee, for consideration at its 72th session, to be held in Rome, late September 2012. The Committee will at that time give its opinion of the draft Budget before its submission to the General Assembly at its 70th session in Rome, to be held in Rome early December 2012.