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Revised estimates resulting from resolutions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its seventh and eighth sessions, held in 2008, and proposals to improve the procedure for presenting to the General Assembly the financial requirements arising from the resolutions and decisions of the Council

Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report details budgetary requirements resulting from resolutions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its seventh and eighth sessions, held in 2008. The expenditure requirements arising as a result of those resolutions are estimated at \$6,889,800. Of this amount, provisions in the amount of \$3,687,500 relating to activities of a “perennial nature” have already been made in the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. In addition, it is anticipated that an amount of \$1,935,900, which is considered as additional requirements for the biennium 2008-2009, will be accommodated to the extent possible, from within the existing appropriations for 2008-2009.

The Secretary-General intends to submit a consolidated statement of requirements arising from the continuing review by the Human Rights Council of its subsidiary machinery in response to General Assembly resolution 60/251, on the remainder of the additional resource requirements of \$1,266,400, arising from the amended programme of work under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009, decided by the Human Rights Council at its seventh and eighth sessions, held in 2008, summarized in annex II to the present report. Following an in-depth review of the absorptive capacity of the provisions in the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009, the consolidated statement will make proposals on how to meet



the additional resource requirements, including the aforementioned total amount of \$1,266,400 relating to the proposals by the Human Rights Council.

The present report also discusses various alternatives to improve the procedure in presenting financial implications arising from the resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council in accordance with resolution 62/245.

I. Introduction

1. The present report is submitted to inform the General Assembly of the requirements resulting from resolutions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its seventh and eighth sessions, held in 2008.

2. The Council adopted a number of resolutions by which it authorized relevant human rights bodies and special procedures to continue or to undertake additional activities, including meetings, which called for expenditure requirements estimated at \$6,889,800. Of this amount, provisions in the amount of \$3,687,500 relating to activities of a “perennial nature” have already been provided in the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Further, requirements considered as additional requirements for the biennium 2008-2009, amounting to \$1,935,900 will be accommodated, to the extent possible, from within existing appropriations for the biennium 2008-2009, while an amount of \$1,266,400 is proposed to be considered in the context of a consolidated statement on the Council’s review of its subsidiary machinery. A consolidated statement of requirements arising from the continuing review by the Human Rights Council in response to resolution 60/251 will be reported to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session. In submitting the consolidated statement, the Secretariat will undertake an in-depth review of the absorptive capacity of requirements arising from the amended programme of work under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009.

3. In accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the Council was provided, where appropriate, with a statement of programme budget implications prior to the adoption of the resolutions.

4. Regarding additional conference-servicing requirements, in each relevant case the Council was informed of the full cost of the additional services to be provided and any potential for absorption of the requirements within the approved appropriations. On that basis, it was indicated to the Council the resources that would be required for the biennium 2008-2009 under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, and under section 28E, Administration, Geneva, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009.

5. In accordance with paragraph 5 of part I of resolution 62/245, the present report also discusses various alternatives to improve the procedure of presenting financial requirements arising from the resolutions and decisions of the Human Rights Council.

6. With regard to resolutions 7/4, 7/5, 7/8, 7/12, 7/13, 7/15, 7/21, 7/22, 7/24, 7/25, 7/32, 7/34, 7/35, 7/36, 8/3, 8/4, 8/6, 8/7, 8/8, 8/9, 8/10 and 8/11, discussed in the present report, the Council’s attention was drawn to the provisions of section VI of General Assembly resolution 45/248 B, and subsequent resolutions, the most recent of which is resolution 62/236, in which the Assembly reaffirmed that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters and reaffirmed the role of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

7. The process of review, rationalization and improvement of special procedures mandates of the Human Rights Council was completed at the ninth session of the Council in September 2008. The report of the Human Rights Council on its ninth

session (A/63/53/Add.1) is currently under consideration by the General Assembly and it is likely that it will give rise to programme budget implications.

8. In addition, a consolidated statement of requirements arising from the continuing review by the Human Rights Council of its subsidiary machinery and potential absorptive capacity arising from the amended programme of work under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009, including Council resolutions 7/33, 7/35 and 8/7 will be reported separately to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session.

II. Additional requirements relating to the resolutions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its seventh and eighth sessions

A. Resolution 7/4: Mandate of the independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights

9. In paragraphs 2, 3, 7 and 9 of its resolution 7/4, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to redefine the mandate of the special thematic procedure and rename it “independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights”;

(b) Also decided that the mandate of the independent expert will be extended for a period of three years;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General to provide the independent expert with all necessary assistance, in particular the staff and resources required to carry out his/her functions, as well as to facilitate his/her participation in and contribution to the follow-up process of the International Conference on Financing for Development;

(d) Requested the independent expert to submit an analytical report on the implementation of the resolution to the Human Rights Council in 2009 in accordance with its annual programme of work, and to submit a progress report on the issue to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session.

10. The requirements to implement the activities for the mandate of the independent expert are estimated at \$61,900 per annum, or \$123,800 per biennium. The mandate of the independent expert falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provisions for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. The amount required would provide for the following:

(a) Travel of the independent expert for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit a report to the Human Rights Council, to submit the report to the General Assembly as well as for two field missions per year (\$91,800 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the independent expert during field missions (\$17,600 per biennium);

(c) local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

B. Resolution 7/5: Mandate of the independent expert on human rights and international solidarity

11. In paragraphs 1, 1 (f), and 2 of its resolution 7/5, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the independent expert on human rights and international solidarity for a period of three years;

(b) Decided to continue participating and contributing to relevant international conferences and events with the aim of promoting the realization of the right of peoples and individuals to international solidarity;

(c) Requested all States, United Nations agencies, other relevant international organizations and non-governmental organizations to mainstream the right of peoples and individuals to international solidarity in their activities, and to cooperate with the independent expert in his/her mandate, to supply all necessary information requested by him/her and to give serious consideration to responding favourably to the requests of the independent expert to visit their countries, to enable him/her to fulfil his/her mandate effectively.

12. The mandate of the independent expert falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provisions for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. The amount of \$56,900 per annum, or \$113,800 per biennium, required to implement the activities provides for the following:

(a) Travel of the independent expert for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit a report to the Human Rights Council and for two field missions per annum (\$79,800 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the independent expert during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

C. Resolution 7/6: Mandate of the independent expert on minority issues

13. In paragraphs 3, 3 (g), and 5 of its resolution 7/6, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the independent expert on minority issues for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the independent expert to submit annual reports on his/her activities to the Human Rights Council, including recommendations for effective strategies for the better implementation of the rights of persons belonging to minorities;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide all the human, technical and financial assistance for the effective fulfilment of the mandate of the independent expert.

14. The mandate of the independent expert falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provisions for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$58,800 per annum, or \$117,600 per biennium, required provides for the following:

(a) Travel of the independent expert for three trips to Geneva per year (each for five days) for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit a report to the Human Rights Council and for two field missions per year of an estimated duration of 10 days each (\$85,600 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the independent expert during field missions (\$17,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

D. Resolution 7/8: Mandate of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights defenders

15. In paragraphs 2, 2 (g), and 5 of its resolution 7/8, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the special procedure on the situation of human rights defenders as a Special Rapporteur for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to report regularly to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide all the assistance to the Special Rapporteur necessary for the effective fulfilment of his/her mandate.

16. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provisions to implement such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for

the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the preparation of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$60,300 per annum, or \$120,600 per biennium, will be required as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit a report to the Human Rights Council and to the General Assembly, as well as for two field missions per year (\$88,600 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$17,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

E. Resolution 7/9: human rights of persons with disabilities

17. In paragraph 18 of its resolution 7/9, the Human Rights Council invited the Special Rapporteur on disability of the Commission for Social Development to continue cooperating with the Human Rights Council and to address the Council on activities undertaken pursuant to his/her mandate, in accordance with its programme of work.

18. Adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council, gives rise to an additional amount of \$6,000 per year required for travel of the Special Rapporteur to address the Human Rights Council as called for in paragraph 18.

19. Provisions have not been made under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009, to cover the travel of the Special Rapporteur. The requirements are, however, proposed to be covered from within available resources, under section 23, Human rights, for the biennium 2008-2009. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. For the biennium 2010-2011 and beyond, it is proposed to provide for the travel of the Special Rapporteur to address the Human Rights Council under section 9, Economic and social affairs, since the Department of Economic and Social Affairs has substantive responsibility for the servicing of the Commission for Social Development.

F. Resolution 7/11: The role of good governance, in the promotion and protection of human rights

20. In paragraph 3 of its resolution 7/11, the Human Rights Council, requested the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to prepare a publication on anti-corruption, good governance and human rights, drawing on the results of the United Nations Conference on Anti-Corruption, Good Governance and Human Rights, held in Warsaw in 2006.

21. Adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council, gives rise to additional requirements in a total amount of \$123,200 to provide for translation (\$25,200), design and layout (\$8,000) and printing of the publication (\$90,000).

22. It is anticipated that the above will be a joint activity, with the majority of costs for drafting and production of the publication to be funded by an outside institution. The contribution of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to the activity will be funded from within extrabudgetary resources, thus no additional appropriation will be required under the regular budget for section 23, Human rights, for the biennium 2008-2009.

G. Resolution 7/12: Enforced or involuntary disappearances

23. In paragraphs 2, 2 (j), 10 (a) and 10 (b), of resolution 7/12, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances for a further period of three years;

(b) Requested the Working Group to submit a regular report on the implementation of its mandate to the Human Rights Council in accordance with its annual programme of work;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General to continue to ensure that the Working Group receives all the assistance and resources it requires to perform its functions, including supporting the principles of the Declaration, carrying out and following up on missions and holding sessions in countries that are prepared to receive it;

(d) Requested the Secretary-General to continue to provide the resources needed to update the database on cases of enforced disappearances.

24. The mandate of the Working Group falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provisions to implement the activities for the mandate of the Working Group have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$264,500 per annum, or \$529,000 per biennium, required to implement the activities provides for the following:

(a) Travel of the Working Group for meetings in Geneva and for two field missions (\$382,800 per biennium);

(b) Travel of the Chairman of the Working Group to submit a report to the Human Rights Council and participate in the annual meeting of special procedures (\$34,600 per biennium);

(c) Travel of staff to accompany the Working Group during field missions (\$49,200 per biennium);

(d) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium);

(e) General Service (Other level) staff costs for three months to update the database on cases of enforced disappearances (\$48,000 per biennium).

H. Resolution 7/13: Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography

25. In paragraphs 2, 2 (i), and 5, of resolution 7/13, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to submit a report on the implementation of his/her mandate to the Council in accordance with its annual programme of work;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide to the Special Rapporteur all the human, technical and financial assistance necessary for the effective fulfilment of his/her mandate.

26. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision to implement such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$59,800 per annum, or \$119,600 per biennium, will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit a report to the Human Rights Council and for two field missions (\$85,600 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

I. Resolution 7/14: The right to food

27. In paragraph 37 of its resolution 7/14, the Human Rights Council decided to convene a panel discussion on the realization of the right to food in the period of its main session of 2009.

28. Pursuant to the terms of that paragraph of the resolution, the conference-servicing costs of the panel are expected to be met from within the conference-servicing entitlements of the Human Rights Council approved for the 2008-2009 biennium under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs, and section 28E, Administration, Geneva.

29. At the time of adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council, the Council was informed that a total additional amount of \$28,600 will be required under section 23, Human rights, to cover the travel cost of the expert participation in the panel discussion. Although it is anticipated that an additional amount of \$28,600 will be required for the biennium 2008-2009, under section 23, additional resources are not requested at this time, as the Secretariat will to the extent possible absorb the

additional requirements from within the appropriations for section 23, Human rights, for the biennium 2008-2009.

J. Resolution 7/15: Situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

30. In paragraphs 2, 6 and 7 of its resolution 7/15, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, in accordance with Commission on Human Rights resolutions 2004/13 and 2005/11, for a period of one year;

(b) Requested the Secretary General to provide the Special Rapporteur with all assistance and adequate staffing necessary to carry out his mandate effectively and to ensure that the mechanism works with the support of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights;

(c) Invited the Special Rapporteur to submit regular reports on the implementation of his mandate to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly.

31. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a "perennial nature". Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$62,300 per annum, or \$124,600 per biennium, will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for three trips to Geneva per year (each for five days) for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures and to submit a report to the Human Rights Council and for two field missions per year of an estimated duration of 10 days each (\$88,000 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$22,200 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

K. Resolution 7/21: Mandate of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination

32. In paragraphs 2, 3, 7, 9 and 10 of resolution 7/21, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination for a period of three years;

(b) Also decided to authorize the Working Group to hold three sessions per year of five working days each, two in Geneva and one in New York, in fulfilment of the mandate outlined in the resolution;

(c) Requested the Office of the High Commissioner to inform the Council, in a timely manner, of the dates and places for the convening of the other regional governmental consultations on this matter, in conformity with paragraph 15 of General Assembly resolution 62/145, bearing in mind that the process may lead to the holding of a high-level round table of States, under the auspices of the United Nations, to discuss the fundamental question of the role of the State as holder of the monopoly of the use of force, with the objective of facilitating a critical understanding of the responsibilities of the different actors, including private military and security companies, in the current context, and their respective obligations for the protection and promotion of human rights and in reaching a common understanding as to which additional regulations and controls are needed at the international level;

(d) Requested the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide the Working Group with all the necessary assistance and support for the fulfilment of its mandate, both professional and financial, including through the promotion of cooperation between the Working Group and other components of the United Nations system that deal with countering mercenary-related activities, in order to meet the demands of its current and future activities;

(e) Requested the Working Group to consult States, intergovernmental organizations, non-governmental organizations and other relevant actors of civil society in the implementation of the resolution and to report its findings on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session and to the Human Rights Council in 2009 in accordance with its annual programme of work.

33. Adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council, gives rise to total full costs estimated at \$656,300 per annum, or \$1,312,600 per biennium, to implement the activities as reflected in the table below.

(United States dollars)

	<i>Requirements per annum</i>	<i>Requirements per biennium</i>
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management		
a. Geneva	211 700	423 400
b. New York	132 700	265 400
Subtotal, section 2	344 400	688 800
Section 23, Human rights		
a. Travel of reps and staff and general operating expenses	189 700	379 400
b. Regional consultation and consultancy	104 600	209 200
Subtotal, section 23	294 300	588 600
Section 28D, Office of Central Support Services	9 800	19 600
Section 28E, Administration, Geneva	7 800	15 600
Total	656 300	1 312 600

34. The mandate of the Working Group falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities estimated at \$646,900, representing almost half of the total requirements as indicated in paragraph 33 above, have been provided in the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009, to implement some of the activities called for in the resolution, as follows:

(United States dollars)

	2008-2009
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	211 700
Section 23, Human rights	427 400
Section 28E, Administration, Geneva	7 800
Total	646 900

35. The balance of the resource requirements estimated at \$665,700 to implement the remaining activities called for in the resolution is as follows:

(United States dollars)

	2008-2009
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	477 100
Section 23, Human rights	161 200
Section 28D, Office of Central Support Services	19 600
Section 28E, Administration, Geneva	7 800
Total	665 700

36. Although it is anticipated that an additional amount of \$665,700 will be required under sections 2, 23, 28D and 28E of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009, as reflected in paragraph 35 above, a preliminary review leads the Secretariat to assume that some absorption of the estimated requirements is possible. The Secretariat has sought to identify areas from which resources can be redeployed to meet the requirements in the biennium 2008-2009. It is anticipated that the Secretariat would to the extent possible meet the additional requirements from within available resources provided for the biennium 2008-2009.

37. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011.

L. Resolution 7/22: Human rights and access to safe drinking water and sanitation

38. In paragraphs 2, 2 (a), 2 (b), 2 (c), 2 (e), 2 (f), and 3 of resolution 7/22, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to appoint, for a period of three years, an independent expert on the issue of human rights obligations related to access to safe drinking water and sanitation in order to:

(i) Develop a dialogue with Governments, the relevant United Nations bodies, the private sector, local authorities, national human rights institutions, civil society organizations as well as academic institutions, to identify, promote and exchange views on best practices related to access to safe drinking water and sanitation, and, in that regard, to prepare a compendium of best practices;

(ii) Advance the work by undertaking a study, in cooperation with and reflecting the views of Governments and relevant United Nations bodies, and in further cooperation with the private sector, local authorities, national human rights institutions, civil society organizations and academic institutions, on the further clarification of the content of human rights obligations, including non-discrimination obligations, in relation to access to safe drinking water and sanitation;

(iii) Make recommendations that could help the realization of the Millennium Development Goals, in particular of Millennium Development Goal 7;

(iv) Work in close coordination, while avoiding unnecessary duplication, with other special procedures and subsidiary organs of the Human Rights Council, relevant United Nations bodies, the treaty bodies, and taking into account the views of other stakeholders, including relevant regional human rights mechanisms, national human rights institutions, civil society organizations as well as academic institutions;

(v) Submit a report to the Human Rights Council at its tenth session including conclusions and recommendations;

(b) Requested the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to ensure that the independent expert receives the necessary resources to enable him/her to discharge the mandate fully.

39. Adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council gives rise to the following resource requirements to implement the activities foreseen:

(United States dollars)

	2008	2009	2010
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management			
Conference services for 2-day meeting	43 000	43 000	43 000
Section 23, Human rights			
1 P-3 level	150 200	150 200	150 200
Consultant services for 2 months each year	10 000	10 000	10 000
Travel of the independent expert to present his report to the Human Rights Council, to attend the annual consultation meeting, to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, and to hold consultations to formulate recommendations concerning the realization of the Millennium Development Goals	31 900	31 900	31 900

	2008	2009	2010
Travel of the independent expert for 2 field missions per year		16 700	16 700
Travel of staff to accompany the independent expert during field missions		9 800	9 800
Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions		7 200	7 200
Travel of one treaty body member or special procedure mandate-holder to participate in one annual consultation	7 000	7 000	7 000
Travel of 5 experts for one annual consultation	35 000	35 000	35 000
Subtotal, section 23	234 100	267 800	267 800
Section 28E, Administration, Geneva			
Conference services for 2-day meeting	1 700	1 700	1 700
Total	278 800	312 500	312 500

40. Provisions have not been made under sections 2, 23 and 28E of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 for the activities outlined in the table above. Although additional requirements of \$278,800 for 2008 and \$312,500 for 2009 outlined in paragraph 38 above would be required under sections 2, 23, and 28E for the biennium 2008-2009 as a result of the adoption of the resolution, further review of the available resources leads the Secretariat to assume that the estimated requirements will to the extent possible be absorbed from within those resources.

41. Since the period for the renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for 2010 will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011.

M. Resolution 7/24: Elimination of violence against women

42. In paragraphs 5, 7, 11 and 12 of its resolution 7/24, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences, for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to report to the Human Rights Council in accordance with its annual programme of work;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General to continue to provide the Special Rapporteur with all necessary assistance for the effective fulfilment of his/her mandate, in particular staff and resources, including to carry out and follow up on missions;

(d) Also requested the Secretary-General to ensure that the reports of the Special Rapporteur are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women, the General Assembly and the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and requested the Special Rapporteur to present an oral report annually to the Commission and to the General Assembly.

43. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. Total requirements of \$68,200 per annum, or \$136,400 per biennium, to implement the activities called for in paragraphs 5, 7 and 12 are as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures and to submit a report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and to report to the Commission on the Status of Women as well as for two field missions per year (\$102,400 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

N. Resolution 7/25: Prevention of genocide

44. In paragraphs 17 and 18 of its resolution 7/25, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Invited the High Commissioner, as part of commemorative events, and as an important contribution towards developing preventive strategies to organize within existing resources, a seminar on the prevention of genocide, with the participation of States, relevant United Nations entities and other international and regional organizations, civil society and academic and research bodies, and to publish a paper on the outcome of the seminar;

(b) Invited the Special Adviser to an interactive dialogue with the Council at the tenth session on the progress made in discharging his duties.

45. Adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council gives rise to total estimated requirements of \$253,100 under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 for (a) section 23: (i) consultancy to prepare and present short papers and to draft the report consolidating the analysis of the short papers and the seminar discussion (\$88,700); and (ii) travel of the Special Adviser (\$6,100); (b) section 2, Conference services, for a 2-day seminar in 2008 (\$156,600); and (c) section 28E, Conference services (\$1,700), as follows:

(United States dollars)

	2008-2009
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	156 600
Section 23, Human rights	94 800
Section 28E, Administration, Geneva	1 700
Total	253 100

46. Provision has not been made under sections 2, 23 and 28E of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 for the activities envisaged under paragraphs 17 and 18. No additional resources are currently envisaged as the Secretariat will to the extent possible absorb the additional requirements of \$253,100 outlined in paragraph 45 above, within the appropriations under sections 2, 23, and 28E for the biennium 2008-2009.

O. Resolution 7/27: Human rights and extreme poverty

47. In paragraphs 4 (a) and (b) of its resolution 7/27, the Human Rights Council, invited the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights:

(a) To further consult the relevant stakeholders mentioned in paragraph 3 of the resolution and allow them to also comment on the report of the High Commissioner,¹ including through the organization of a three-day seminar on the draft guiding principles on extreme poverty and human rights, before March 2009;

(b) To submit a report to the Council, no later than its last session of 2009, to allow the Council to take a decision on the way forward with a view to the possible adoption of guiding principles on the rights of persons living in extreme poverty.

48. Adoption of resolution 7/27 by the Human Rights Council gives rise to total estimated requirements of \$141,300 under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 for: (a) travel of 12 experts; and (b) conference services to be provided to organize a three-day seminar in 2009, as follows:

(United States dollars)

	2008-2009
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	62 000
Section 23, Human rights	77 200
Section 28E, Administration, Geneva	2 100
Total	141 300

49. Provisions have not been made under sections 2, 23 and 28E of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 for the activities envisaged under paragraphs 4 (a) and (b). No additional resources are currently envisaged as the Secretariat will to the extent possible absorb the additional requirements of \$141,300 outlined in paragraph 48 above, within the appropriations under sections 2, 23, and 28E for the biennium 2008-2009.

¹ A/HRC/7/32.

P. Resolution 7/32: Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar

50. In paragraphs 1, 3 and 4 of its resolution 7/32, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend for one year the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar, in accordance with Commission on Human Rights resolution 1992/58 and 2005/10;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to submit a progress report to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session and to the Human Rights Council in accordance with its annual programme of work;

(c) Called upon the Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights to provide the Special Rapporteur with all necessary assistance and resources to enable him/her to discharge his/her mandate fully.

51. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$72,200 per annum, or \$144,400 per biennium, will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures and to submit a report to the Human Rights Council, as well as for two field missions (\$110,200 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,800 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

Q. Resolution 7/33: From rhetoric to reality: a global call for concrete action against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

52. In paragraph 9 of its resolution 7/33, the Human Rights Council, decided to invite the Group of Five Independent Eminent Experts to address the Council at its tenth session.

53. Adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council gives rise to a total amount of \$21,200 to cover the additional cost of travel and daily subsistence allowance to Geneva for the Group of Five Independent Eminent Experts.

54. The requirements to provide for the travel of the Group of Five have not been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Although it is anticipated that an additional amount of \$21,200 would be required for the biennium 2008-2009 under section 23, no additional resources will be requested as the Secretariat will to the extent possible absorb the additional requirements within the appropriations for section 23, for the biennium 2008-2009.

R. Resolution 7/34: Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

55. In paragraphs 2, 3 (e) and 7 of its resolution 7/34, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to report regularly to the Human Rights Council and to the General Assembly;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide all the necessary human, technical and financial assistance to the Special Rapporteur for the effective fulfilment of his/her mandate.

56. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011 the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$66,400 per annum, or \$132,800 per biennium, will be required to implement the activities called for in paragraphs 2, 3 (e) and 7 as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit a report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and for two field missions per year (\$50,400 per annum);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$8,800 per annum);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$7,200 per annum).

S. Resolution 7/35: Assistance to Somalia in the field of human rights

57. In paragraphs 9, 10 and 11 of its resolution 7/35, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to renew the mandate of the independent expert on the situation of human rights in Somalia for a period of one year, with a view to maximizing the provision and the flow of technical assistance to Somalia in the field of human rights, and requested him/her to submit a report to the Human Rights Council in September 2008 and March 2009;

(b) Requested the Secretary-General to provide the independent expert with all necessary human, technical and financial assistance in carrying out his/her mandate;

(c) Requested the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to strengthen its presence in Somalia with a view to providing technical assistance and advisory services to the relevant Somali institutions.

58. The mandate of the independent expert falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provisions for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Hence, no additional appropriations would be required to implement the activities envisaged under paragraph 9 as a result of adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council. A total amount of \$58,200 per year or \$116,400 per biennium will be required to implement the activities called for in paragraph 11 as follows:

(a) Travel of the independent expert for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures and to submit a report to the Human Rights Council as well as for two field missions (\$62,600 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the independent expert during field missions (\$19,400 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$34,400 per biennium).

59. With respect to paragraph 11, adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council gives rise to a total additional requirement of \$607,000 per year or \$1,214,000 per biennium, under section 23, Human rights, to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Staff costs for one P-4, one P-3 and two national level staff (\$418,000 per annum);

(b) Operational costs, including rental and maintenance of premises, supplies, furniture and equipment, communications, travel within Somalia, local transportation, security and miscellaneous for presence in Somalia (\$89,000 per annum);

(c) Technical assistance and advisory services consisting of training to the relevant Somali institutions (\$100,000 per annum).

60. The requirements for activities envisaged under paragraph 11 outlined in paragraph 58 above, have not been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Although it is anticipated that an additional amount of \$1,214,000 will be required for the biennium 2008-2009, under section 23, as a result of the adoption of the resolution, the Secretariat will make a proposal to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session to meet the additional amount in the consolidated statement of requirements arising from the continuing review by the Human Rights Council and potential absorptive capacity from reduced requirements arising from the amended programme of work under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009.

T. Resolution 7/36: Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression

61. In paragraphs 3, 7 and 8 of resolution 7/36, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur for a further three years;

(b) Requested the Secretary-General to provide the assistance necessary to the Special Rapporteur to fulfil his/her mandate effectively, in particular by placing adequate human and material resources at his/her disposal;

(c) Requested the Special Rapporteur to submit each year to the Human Rights Council a report covering activities relating to his/her mandate.

62. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$53,800 per annum, or \$107,600 per biennium, will be required to implement the activities, arising from the terms of the resolution as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur to attend the annual meeting of special procedures and to submit a report to the Human Rights Council, as well as for two field missions per year (\$73,600 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

U. Resolution 8/3: Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions

63. In paragraphs 7 (a), 10, and 11 of its resolution 8/3, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Requested the Special Rapporteur to continue to examine situations of extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions and to submit on an annual basis his/her findings, together with conclusions and recommendations, to the Human Rights Council and to the General Assembly;

(b) Requested the Secretary-General to provide the Special Rapporteur with adequate human, financial and material resources in order to enable her/him to carry out the mandate effectively, including through country visits;

(c) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions for three years.

64. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$147,000 per biennium will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit his/her report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and for two field missions (\$113,000 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

V. Resolution 8/4: The right to education

65. In paragraphs 9, 9 (g) and 12 of resolution 8/4, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the right to education for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to report to the Council on a yearly basis, in accordance with the Council's programme of work, and to report yearly to the General Assembly on an interim basis;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General to provide the Special Rapporteur with all the assistance necessary for the execution of his mandate.

66. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a "perennial nature". Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$132,200 per biennium will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit his/her report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and for two field missions per year (\$98,200 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

W. Resolution 8/6: Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers

67. In paragraphs 2, 2 (g) and 5 of its resolution 8/6, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to report regularly to the Council with its programme of work and annually to the General Assembly;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide all the assistance to the Special Rapporteur necessary for the effective fulfilment of his/her mandate.

68. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$136,000 per biennium will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit his/her report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and for two field missions per year (\$102,000 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

X. Resolution 8/7: Mandate of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises

69. In paragraphs 4, 4 (h), 6 and 8 of its resolution 8/7, the Human Rights Council, inter alia:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Representative to report annually to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly;

(c) Requested the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to organize, within the framework of the Human Rights Council, a two-day consultation bringing together the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, States, business representatives and all relevant stakeholders, including non-governmental organizations and representatives of victims of corporate abuse, in order to discuss ways and means to operationalize the framework, and to submit a report on the meeting to the Human Rights Council, in accordance with its programme of work;

(d) Requested the Secretary-General and the High Commissioner for Human Rights to provide all the necessary assistance to the Special Representative for the effective fulfilment of his mandate.

70. The mandate of the Special Representative falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for the renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$71,200 per biennium will be required under section 23 to implement the activities, called for in paragraphs 4 and 4 (h) to provide for travel of the Special Representative for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, and to submit his report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly.

71. In addition, adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council, gives rise to a total amount of \$208,400 in 2009 to implement the activities called for in paragraph 6 for: (a) travel and daily subsistence allowance for 10 experts (the number of experts is increased by 5 from the usual 5 experts who attend the annual “sectoral consultation” as this is a specific meeting from 5 regions (\$64,400); (b) travel and daily subsistence allowance for the Special Representative (\$9,000); and (c) conference services to be provided to the two-day consultation in 2009 (\$135,000) as reflected in the table below:

(United States dollars)

	2008-2009
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	133 400
Section 23, Human rights	73 400
Section 28E, Administration, Geneva	1 600
Total	208 400

72. Since the meeting called for in paragraph 6 of the resolution in effect would replace the annual “sectoral consultation meeting” foreseen for 2009, the estimated amount of \$177,200, already included in the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009, would be utilized to offset the requirements of \$208,400 as reflected above.

73. The amount of \$177,200 already included in the programme budget relates to \$42,200 under section 23 for the attendance of the Special Representative and experts at an annual meeting of special procedures mandate-holders referred to in paragraphs 70 and 71 above; \$133,400 under section 2 for conference servicing requirements; and \$1,600 under section 28E for administrative support. Although on this basis, it is anticipated that an additional amount of \$31,200 would be required for the biennium 2008-2009 under section 23, no additional resources will be requested at this juncture in the light of the consolidated statement to be submitted to the General Assembly on the review by the Human Rights Council of its subsidiary machinery in response to General Assembly resolution 60/251.

74. A proposal to meet the additional amount will be made in the consolidated statement of requirements arising from the continuing review by the Human Rights

Council and potential absorptive capacity from reduced requirements arising from the amended programme of work under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 to be reported to the General Assembly at its current session.

Y. Resolution 8/8: Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment

75. In paragraphs 3, 3 (g) and 10 of its resolution 8/8, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment for a further period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to report on his/her activities, observations, conclusions and recommendations to the Human Rights Council, in accordance with its programme of work, and annually on the overall trends and developments with regard to his/her mandate to the General Assembly;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General to ensure, within the overall budgetary framework of the United Nations, the provision of an adequate and stable level of staffing, as well as the necessary technical facilities, for the bodies and mechanisms involved in combating torture and assisting victims of torture, in order to ensure their effective performance commensurate with the strong support expressed by Member States for combating torture and assisting victims of torture.

76. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$109,400 per biennium will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to present his/her report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and for two field missions per year (\$75,400 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

Z. Resolution 8/9: Promotion of the right of peoples to peace

77. In paragraphs 10 and 11 (c) of its resolution 8/9, the Human Rights Council, inter alia, requested the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights:

(a) To convene, before April 2009, and taking into account previous practices, a three-day workshop on the right of peoples to peace, with the participation of two experts from countries of each of the five regional groups;

(b) To report on the outcome of the workshop to the Council at its eleventh regular session to be held in June 2009.

78. Adoption of the resolution by the Human Rights Council gives rise to a total amount of \$243,900 for the biennium 2008-2009 to implement the activities, to provide for: (a) general temporary assistance at the P-3 level for two months (\$25,000); (b) travel and daily subsistence allowance for 10 experts from 5 regions (\$69,600); and (c) conference services to be provided to organize a three-day workshop in 2009 (\$149,300) as follows:

(United States dollars)

	2008-2009
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	147 100
Section 23, Human rights	94 600
Section 28E, Administration, Geneva	2 200
Total	243 900

79. The requirements to implement the activities called for in the resolution have not been included under sections 2, 23 and 28E, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Although it is anticipated that a total additional amount of \$243,900 will be required for the biennium 2008-2009, no additional resources are requested at this time as the Secretariat will make every effort to meet the requirements from within the appropriations approved for sections 2, 23 and 28E, for the biennium 2008-2009.

AA. Resolution 8/10: Human rights of migrants: mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

80. In paragraphs 1, 1 (h) and 9 of resolution 8/10, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to report regularly to the Human Rights Council, according to its annual programme of work, and to the General Assembly, at the request of the Council or the General Assembly;

(c) Requested the Secretary-General to give the Special Rapporteur all necessary human and financial assistance for the fulfilment of his/her mandate.

81. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the

proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$125,800 per biennium will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to present his/her report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and for two field missions per year (\$91,800 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

BB. Resolution 8/11: Human rights and extreme poverty

82. In paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of its resolution 8/11, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the independent expert on extreme poverty for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to give high priority to the question of the relationship between extreme poverty and human rights and invited it to pursue further work in that area, integrating and cooperating fully with the independent expert in the various activities, notably the Social Forum and the consultation on the draft guiding principles on extreme poverty, and to provide all necessary human and financial resources for the effective fulfilment of the mandate of the independent expert;

(c) Requested the independent expert to submit an annual report on the implementation of the resolution to the General Assembly and to the Council, in accordance with their programme of work.

83. The mandate of the independent expert falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$132,800 per biennium will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the independent expert for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit his/her report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and for two field missions per year (\$98,800 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the independent expert during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

CC. Resolution 8/12: Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children

84. In paragraphs 4, 4 (h) and 5 of resolution 8/12, the Human Rights Council:

(a) Decided to extend the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children, for a period of three years;

(b) Requested the Special Rapporteur to report annually, starting in 2009, on the implementation of the resolution to the Council and the General Assembly, according to their respective programmes of work;

(c) Requested the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to ensure that the Special Rapporteur receives the necessary resources to enable him/her to discharge the mandate fully.

85. The mandate of the Special Rapporteur falls under the category of activities considered to be of a “perennial nature”. Provision for such activities have been included under section 23, Human rights, of the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009. Since the period for renewal of the mandate extends into the biennium 2010-2011, the requirements for that period will be considered in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011. No additional appropriations will be required as a result of the adoption of the resolution. A total amount of \$122,600 per biennium will be required to implement the activities, as follows:

(a) Travel of the Special Rapporteur for consultations/to attend the annual meeting of special procedures, to submit his/her report to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly and for two field missions per year (\$88,600 per biennium);

(b) Travel of staff to accompany the Special Rapporteur during field missions (\$19,600 per biennium);

(c) Local transportation, security, communication and other miscellaneous expenses during field missions (\$14,400 per biennium).

III. Overall requirements

86. As shown in annex II to the present report, the implications of the resolutions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its seventh and eighth sessions in 2008 give rise to total requirements amounting to \$6,889,800. Of that amount, \$3,687,500 has been provided under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 relating to activities of a “perennial nature”. Further, an amount of \$1,935,900 will be accommodated to the fullest extent possible within the existing appropriation. With regard to the remaining requirement of \$1,266,400, funding is proposed for consideration in the context of a consolidated statement on the Council’s review of its subsidiary machinery to be submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session.

IV. Procedure to improve the presentation of financial implications arising from resolutions and decisions of the Human Rights Council

87. In part I, paragraph 5, of its resolution 62/245, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit proposals to improve the procedure for presenting the financial requirements arising from resolutions and decisions of the Human Rights Council for consideration at its sixty-third session.

88. Currently, the Secretariat submits a revised estimates report, following the conclusion of a session and/or including the conclusion of a special session of the Human Rights Council, detailing the financial requirements arising from the resolutions and decisions taken by the Human Rights Council at the session concerned, including the special session if any. This practice is in line with the current procedure of submitting a revised estimates report, following the conclusion of a session of the Economic and Social Council, of the financial requirements arising from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Council.

89. Since the first session of the Human Rights Council, in 2006, through its sixth session, held in September and December 2007, including its first special session, held in July 2006, through its fifth special session, held in October 2007, a total of six revised estimates reports on the resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council for which the Secretariat determined that there were programme budget implications, have been submitted to the General Assembly (see annex I). The number of revised estimates reports submitted to the General Assembly, including the present report, has ranged from two to three reports annually.

90. Although, in retrospect, the number of the revised estimates reports may be considered too high, the intention of the Secretariat in submitting a revised estimates report following the conclusion of a session of the Human Rights Council is to ensure that the General Assembly is fully informed of the financial implications arising from the decisions and resolutions of the Council at each of its sessions.

91. In view of the comments of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions that the current procedure contributed to a piecemeal approach to budgeting and that the procedure for presenting to the General Assembly the financial requirements arising from the resolutions and decisions of the Council should be improved (see A/62/7/Add.34, para. 8), the Secretariat has reviewed various mechanisms currently in place for the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations, in order to present proposals to improve the current procedure for the treatment of the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council, namely: (a) the procedures in place for treatment of the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council; (b) expenditures of a “perennial” character (General Assembly resolution 41/213, annex I, para. 7); (c) the treatment of requirements for special missions; and (d) the procedures on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses.

A. Procedure in place for treatment of the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council

92. Revised estimates arising from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council are reported by the Secretary-General to the General Assembly annually, at its main session, in a revised estimates report on the financial requirements resulting from such decisions. It has been the norm to submit one such report annually at the main session of the General Assembly, with the exception of the year 2000, when the Secretary-General submitted an additional report (A/C.5/55/25/Add.1) to the Assembly resulting from Economic and Social Council decision 2000/311 adopted by the Council at its resumed substantive session of 2000. As indicated to the Advisory Committee during its review of the Secretary-General's report on revised estimates resulting from the adoption of resolutions by the Human Rights Council at its sixth session and fifth special session (A/62/671), upon establishment of the Human Rights Council, the Secretariat considered that a similar practice as that used for the Economic and Social Council should be applied to the Human Rights Council, which was the same procedure followed for the Council's predecessor, the Commission on Human Rights, when it was a functional Commission of the Economic and Social Council. However, the difference between the two mechanisms has been the absence of specific guidance when the Council was established and the periodicity of the annual sessions and special sessions held by the Human Rights Council. Owing to their frequency and the considered need to keep the Assembly informed, there has been a greater frequency in the submission of reports than had been the case previously regarding revised estimates following the adoption of resolutions and decisions of the Human Rights Council.

B. General Assembly resolution 41/213, annex I, paragraph 7, relating to expenditures of a "perennial" character

93. In accordance with paragraph 7 of annex I of General Assembly resolution 41/213, efforts have been made to include provisions in the Secretary-General's proposed programme budgets for all reasonably predictable requirements so as to reduce to a minimum the need to present additional requirements through revised estimates or statements of programme budget implications. Since the biennium 1998-1999, as part of this budgetary process, expenditures related to political activities of a "perennial" character, whose mandates have been renewed or extended for a one-year or three-year period, have been included in the programme budget for section 23, Human rights. As can be noted from annex III to the present report, the Human Rights Council has in response to General Assembly resolution 60/251: (a) extended the mandates of most of the subsidiary machinery it assumed from its predecessor, the Commissioner on Human Rights, for a period of one year or three years; (b) established a number of new mechanisms as part of its subsidiary machinery; (c) established new bodies, such as the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. With regard to the mandates that have been extended by the Council, the expenditures related to these activities which are of a "perennial" character have been included in the provisions of the programme budget under section 23, Human rights. However, with regard to the new mandates and bodies that have been established and which fall

within the character “perennial activities”, some of the expenditures have been met from within existing resources and some have been reported within the context of the performance report for the respective biennium concerned. The related conference-servicing requirements for meetings of the Human Rights Council subsidiary machinery are also given similar treatment under sections 2 and 28E.

C. Treatment of requirements for special missions

94. Since its inception, the Human Rights Council has held seven special sessions. The Council has mandated a special mission in each of the five special sessions that it held in the biennium 2006-2007, as reflected in annex I. The estimated requirements of \$1,089,200 that arose for the five special missions were met from within existing appropriations. In addition to the mandates of the Human Rights Council, the Secretary-General appointed, in 2006, an Independent Special Commission of Inquiry for Timor-Leste, for which the related resources, although initially met from commitments under the resolution on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses, have been accommodated within the existing appropriations under section 23, Human rights. In the current biennium, the Council has adopted decisions at its sixth and seventh special sessions which did not foresee any additional requirements.

95. In the biennium 2006-2007, additional requirements arising from decisions and resolutions adopted by the Council for special missions have been accommodated from within existing resources. It is anticipated that the additional requirements for the biennium 2008-2009 will either be met from within existing resources or be reported in the performance report for the biennium 2008-2009. Although thus far, since the establishment of the Human Rights Council, approved appropriations under sections 23, Human rights, and 2, Conference servicing, have been utilized to meet these additional requirements, owing to slow implementation of activities and high vacancy rates, the situation is not likely to continue when the activities of the Council are fully implemented in a timely manner and when the posts approved for OHCHR are fully encumbered.

D. Procedures on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses

96. By their very nature, it should be noted that some of the activities undertaken in implementation of human rights measures are unpredictable. The experience gained in one biennium is not necessarily an indication of what will be encountered in the next. As an example, in his statement (A/C.5/47/93) on the programme budget implications of resolution 47/20 B relating to the situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti, the Secretary-General informed the General Assembly that the activities outlined for the special mission while not directly related to the maintenance of peace and security, were of an extraordinary nature and should thus be dealt with outside the procedures related to the contingency fund as provided for in paragraph 11 of annex I to General Assembly resolution 41/213. Most recently, in 2006, the requirements for the Independent Special Commission of Inquiry for Timor-Leste were met under the provisions of the resolution on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses certified by the Secretary-General as relating to maintenance of peace and security.

97. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in its report (A/62/7/Add.25) commented that if, “on the basis of the practice of the last two bienniums, there is recurrent need for special missions in the area of human rights, then, in the interest of budgetary transparency, consideration should be given to including a provision for such requirements in both the budget outline and the proposed programme budget, akin to that used for special political missions”. Following that, the Secretary-General proposed in his report (A/62/125) inclusion in the biennial resolution on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses of a new paragraph authorizing the Secretary-General, subject to the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations, to enter into commitments of up to \$2 million during a biennium to meet unforeseen and extraordinary expenses arising from human rights measures. This proposal was not approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 62/236.

98. Following review of the various mechanisms discussed in paragraphs 92 through 97 above, the Secretariat proposes that hereafter the revised estimates arising from adoption of the resolutions and decisions by the Human Rights Council should be presented annually to the General Assembly at its main session. Meanwhile, additional requirements that may arise, excluding those relating to special human rights missions, should to the extent possible be accommodated from within the level of resources approved for any given biennium and reported in the context of the performance report.

99. The Secretariat also further proposes that, since the activities of the Human Rights Council are not directly related to the maintenance of peace and security but can be considered as of an extraordinary nature, the additional resources arising from mandates relating to special missions which cannot be accommodated from within existing resources should be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 41/213.

100. The proposal is made in case the costs of the range of activities adopted by the Human Rights Council, as well as certain new activities which the Secretary-General brought to the attention of the General Assembly in respect of the special missions which OHCHR is mandated to undertake, exceed the level of the fund.

101. The Secretariat further proposes that its proposals in paragraphs 98 to 100 above may have to be reconsidered following the review by the General Assembly of the status of the Human Rights Council in 2011.

V. Conclusions and action required of the General Assembly

102. As reflected in annex II to the present report, the implications of the resolutions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its seventh and eighth sessions give rise to total requirements of \$6,889,800 for the biennium 2008-2009.

103. Of the total estimated requirements of \$6,889,800, provision of \$3,687,500 has already been made in the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 for activities of a “perennial nature”. Of the balance of \$3,202,300, an amount of \$1,935,900 will be accommodated to the fullest extent possible from within the existing appropriation and the remainder \$1,266,400 will be dealt with in the context of the consolidated statement of requirements arising from the

continuing review by the Human Rights Council and potential absorptive capacity arising from the amended programme of work under the programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 to be reported to the General Assembly, at its sixty-third session.

104. The General Assembly may therefore wish to take note that additional appropriations are not sought at this time to implement the resolutions of the Human Rights Council covered in the present report.

105. With regard to the procedure for presenting the financial requirements arising from resolutions and decisions of the Human Rights Council, the General Assembly is requested:

(a) To approve the procedure whereby in future the revised estimates arising from the adoption of resolutions and decisions by the Human Rights Council would be presented annually to the General Assembly at its main session;

(b) To approve the procedure whereby, since the activities of the Human Rights Council are not directly related to the maintenance of peace and security but can be considered as of an extraordinary nature, the additional resources arising from mandates relating to special missions which cannot be accommodated within existing resources would be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 41/213;

(c) To decide that the proposals in paragraphs (a) and (b) above would be subject to further review after the General Assembly reviews the status of the Council in 2011.

Annex I

Revised estimates reports resulting from resolutions and decisions taken by the Human Rights Council since its first session in 2006

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Date of revised estimates report</i>	<i>Revised estimates report number</i>	<i>Related session of the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Related date session of the Human Rights Council held</i>	<i>Related General Assembly resolution</i>	<i>Requirements accommodated from the existing appropriation</i>	<i>Requirements as a charge against the contingency fund</i>
18 October 2006	A/61/530	First session	19 to 30 June 2006		1 139.9	
		First special session	5 to 6 July 2006		27.3	
		Second special session	11 August 2006		537.5	
Subtotal				61/252	1 704.7	
13 December 2006	A/61/530/Add.1	Resumed second session	27 to 29 November 2006		151.1	
	A/61/530/Add.1	Third session	29 November to 8 December 2006		1 290.1	
	A/61/530/Add.1	Third special session in 2006	15 November 2006		130.5	
Subtotal, A/61/530/Add.1				61/252	1 571.7	
7 February 2007	A/61/530/Add.2	Fourth special session in 2006	12 to 13 December 2006	61/273	347.2	
15 May 2007	A/61/530/Add.3	Fourth session in 2007	12 to 30 March 2007	61/273	360.3	
2 July 2007	A/62/125	Third session	29 November to 8 December 2006	62/238	4 351.5	3 705.5
1 February 2008	A/62/671	Sixth session	10 to 28 September 2007 and 10 to 14 December 2007		466.7	
	A/62/671	Fifth special session	2 October 2007		46.7	
Subtotal, A/62/671				62/245	513.4	
	A/63/541	Seventh session	3 to 28 March 2008		2 927.2	
	A/63/541	Eighth session	2 to 18 June 2008		275.1	
November 2008	Subtotal, A/63/541			to be decided ^a	3 202.3	
Total					12 051.1	3 705.5

^a To be decided by the General Assembly at its sixty-third session.

Annex II

Summary of requirements resulting from resolutions of the Human Rights Council at its seventh and eighth sessions

(Thousands of United States dollars)

		2008-2009				
<i>Human Rights Council resolutions</i>		<i>Budget section</i>	<i>Requirements</i>	<i>Existing provision in the programme budget</i>	<i>Requirements to be accommodated to the fullest extent possible within the existing appropriation and as necessary report in the performance report</i>	<i>Requirements to be considered in the context of a consolidated statement on the Council's review of its subsidiary machinery</i>
7/4	Mandate of the independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	23	123.8	123.8	—	—
7/5	Mandate of the independent expert on human rights and international solidarity	23	113.8	113.8	—	—
7/6	Mandate of the independent expert on minority issues	23	117.6	117.6	—	—
7/8	Mandate of the Special Rapporteur of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights defenders	23	120.6	120.6	—	—
7/9	Human rights of persons with disabilities	23	12.0	—	12.0	—
7/11	The role of good governance in the promotion and protection of human rights	—	—	—	—	—
7/12	Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances	23	529.0	529.0	—	—
7/13	Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography	23	119.6	119.6	—	—
7/14	The right to food	23	28.6	—	28.6	—
7/15	Situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea	23	124.6	124.6	—	—
7/21	Mandate of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	2	688.8	211.7	477.1	—
		23	588.6	427.4	161.2	—
		28D	19.6	—	19.6	—
7/22	Human rights and access to safe drinking water and sanitation	28E	15.6	7.8	7.8	—
		2	86.0	—	86.0	—
		23	501.9	—	501.9	—
7/24	Elimination of violence against women	28E	3.4	—	3.4	—
		23	136.4	136.4	—	—
		2	156.6	—	156.6	—
7/25	Prevention of genocide	23	94.8	—	94.8	—
		28E	1.7	—	1.7	—
		2	62.0	—	62.0	—
7/27	Human rights and extreme poverty	23	77.2	—	77.2	—
		28E	2.1	—	2.1	—
		2	144.4	144.4	—	—
7/32	Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar	23	144.4	144.4	—	—

		2008-2009				
		Budget section	Requirements	Existing provision in the programme budget	Requirements to be accommodated to the fullest extent possible within the existing appropriation and as necessary report in the performance report	Requirements to be considered in the context of a consolidated statement on the Council's review of its subsidiary machinery
<i>Human Rights Council resolutions</i>						
7/33	From rhetoric to reality: a global call for concrete action against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance	23	21.2	—	—	21.2
7/34	Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance	23	132.8	132.8	—	—
7/35	Assistance to Somalia in the field of human rights	23	1 330.2	116.2	—	1 214.0
7/36	Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression	23	107.6	107.6	—	—
Subtotal, seventh session			5 460.5	2 533.3	1 692.0	1 235.2
8/3	Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions	23	147.0	147.0	—	—
8/4	The right to education	23	132.2	132.2	—	—
8/6	Mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers	23	136.0	136.0	—	—
8/7	Mandate of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises	2	133.4	133.4		—
			144.6	113.4		31.2
		28E	1.6	1.6		
8/8	Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	23	109.4	109.4	—	—
8/9	Promotion of the right of peoples to peace	2	147.1		147.1	
		23	94.6		94.6	
		28E	2.2		2.2	
8/10	Human rights of migrants: mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants	23	125.8	125.8	—	—
8/11	Human rights and extreme poverty	23	132.8	132.8	—	—
8/12	Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially in women and children	23	122.6	122.6	—	—
Subtotal, eighth session			1 429.3	1 154.2	243.9	31.2
Total			6 889.8	3 687.5	1 935.9	1 266.4

Annex III

Human Rights Council subsidiary machinery extended by the Human Rights Council, terminated and newly established

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
I. Mandates in annex to decision 1/102, which extended by 1 year mandates of the Commission on Human Rights						
Intergovernmental working group established to make recommendations with a view to the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action	1/5	X	3 years			
Independent expert appointed by the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Haiti	PRST/9/1	X	Until September 2010			
Independent expert appointed by the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Somalia	7/35	X	1 year			
Independent expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi	6/5, 9/19	X	Until an independent national human rights institution has been established			
Independent expert on technical cooperation and advisory services in Liberia	6/31, 9/16	X		Discontinued September 2008		

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
Independent expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo	7/20	X		Discontinued March 2008		
Independent expert on the situation of human rights in Uzbekistan (procedure established in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1503 (XLVIII))	Fourth session of the Human Rights Council	X		Discontinued March 2007		
Independent expert on human rights and international solidarity	6/3, 7/5, 9/2	X	3 years			
Independent expert on minority issues	6/15, 7/6	X	3 years			
Independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	7/4	X (redefined and renamed) March 2008	3 years			
Independent expert on the question of human rights and extreme poverty	8/11	X	3 years			
Personal Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Cuba				Not renewed		
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan	S-4/101, 4/8, 6/34, 9/17	X	1 year, until June 2009			
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar	7/32	X	1 year			

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea	7/15	X	1 year			
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Belarus				Not renewed		
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967	S-1/1, 1/106	X	Until the end of the occupation			
Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living	6/27	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance	7/34	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions	8/3	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief	6/37	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the adverse effects of the illicit movement and dumping of toxic and dangerous products and wastes on the enjoyment of human rights	9/1	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the human rights aspects of the victims of trafficking in persons, especially women and children	8/12	X	3 years			

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants	8/10	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers	8/6	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism	6/28	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression	7/36	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health	6/29	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the right to education	8/4	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the right to food	6/2	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography	7/13	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people	6/12	X	3 years			
Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	8/8	X	3 years			

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences	7/24	X	3 years			
Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises	8/7	X	3 years			
Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia	9/15	X	1 year	Replaced by Special Rapporteur	September 2008	
Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights defenders	7/8	X	3 years	Replaced by Special Rapporteur	March 2008	
Representative of the Secretary-General on human rights of internally displaced persons	6/32	X	3 years			
Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent	9/14	X	3 years			
Working Group on Arbitrary Detention	6/4	X	3 years			
Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances	7/12	X	3 years			
Working group on the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	7/21	X	3 years			

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
Working Group on Communications of the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights	5/1			Replaced by complaint procedure mechanism		
Working Group on situations	5/1			Replaced by complaint procedure mechanism		
Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights				Replaced by Advisory Committee		
Special Rapporteur entrusted with preparing a detailed study on the difficulties of establishing guilt and/or responsibilities with regard to crimes of sexual violence				Not renewed		
Special Rapporteur to conduct a detailed study of discrimination in the criminal justice system				Not renewed		
Special Rapporteur to conduct a detailed study of the universal implementation of international human rights treaties				Not renewed		
Special Rapporteur to prepare a comprehensive study on corruption and its impact on the full enjoyment of human rights, in particular economic, social and cultural rights				Not renewed		
Special Rapporteur to undertake a study on human rights and the human genome				Not renewed		

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
Special Rapporteur to undertake a study on non-discrimination as enshrined in article 2, paragraph 2, of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights				Not renewed		
Special Rapporteur with the task of preparing a comprehensive study on the prevention of human rights violations committed with small arms and light weapons				Not renewed		
Special Rapporteurs with the task of preparing a comprehensive study on discrimination based on work and descent				Not renewed		
Social Forum	6/13	X (2-day Social Forum replaced by 3-day Social Forum)				
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery	6/14	X (Working Group of Sub-Commission replaced by Special Rapporteur)	3 years	X (Working Group terminated September 2008)	X (Special Rapporteur in lieu of Working Group)	

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
Working Group on Indigenous Populations				X (Working Group of Sub-Commission replaced by subsidiary expert mechanism (5 experts) meeting for 3 days during the first year and for up to 5 days thereafter)		
Working Group on Minorities	6/15		4 years	X	X (in-sessional Working Group of Sub-Commission replaced by Forum on Minorities to meet for 2 working days and its work to be reviewed after 4 years)	
II. Other bodies not in decision 1/102 related to General Assembly resolution 60/251						
Working Group on an Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	1/3	X		Discontinued		

	<i>Human Rights Council resolution/ decision</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights extended by the Human Rights Council (see Human Rights Council decision 1/102)</i>	<i>Duration or extension</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery assumed from the Commission on Human Rights terminated by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Human rights subsidiary machinery newly established by the Human Rights Council</i>	<i>Newly established bodies since the Human Rights Council was established</i>
Working group on the right to development	1/4, extended for 1 year, 4/4 extended for 2 years, resolution 9/3	X	Until it completes the tasks entrusted to it by the Council in its resolution 4/4			
High-level task force on the right to development	1/4 to meet before the end of 2006, 4/4 extended for 2 years, resolution 9/3	X	Until the eleventh session of the Working Group, in 2010			
III. Human rights subsidiary machinery that have been newly established by the Human Rights Council						
<i>5 highly qualified experts to be selected by OHCHR in close consultations with regional groups to study substantive gaps in international instruments to combat racism</i>	1/5				X	
Intersessional open-ended intergovernmental working group to develop universal periodic reviews	1/103				X (limited 10-day duration)	
Working group on the universal periodic review	Resolution 5/1		3 sessions of 10 working days each/per year		X	

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Open-ended intergovernmental working group to implement paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 60/251	1/104				X (limited 20-day duration)	
Expert mechanism on the rights of indigenous peoples	6/16 and 6/36 which provided for 1.5 day meetings for exchange of views on new mechanism		3 years		X	
High Commissioner to select 10 experts (2 from each regional group) and convene before April 2009 a 3-day workshop on the right of peoples to peace, with the participation of 10 experts 2-day workshop on right of people to peace	8/9					X
Independent expert on the issue of human rights obligations related to access to safe drinking water & sanitation	7/22		3 years		X	
Panel discussion on realization on the right to food at its main session of 2009	7/14		Limited to 2009			
Open-ended intergovernmental intersessional working group on agenda, annual programme of work, methods of work and rules of procedure of the Council	3/4				X (limited 10-day duration)	

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Request to the High Commissioner to convene an expert consultation to contribute to the ongoing process of drafting the draft general guidelines relating to foreign debt etc.	2/109				X	
Ad hoc Committee of Human Rights Council to elaborate complementary standards to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination	3/103		Annual sessions of 10 working days and hold first one before the end of 2007		X	
Preparatory Committee for Durban Review Conference	3/2 (limited to the Durban Conference)		PrepCom to hold organizational session of 1 week in May 2007 and 2 substantive sessions of 10 working days each in 2007 and 2008			Human Rights Council will act as the PrepCom
High Commissioner to convene a workshop on regional arrangements and present to the Council a summary	6/20					
Informal meeting to discuss ... Indigenous Populations	6/16		1.5 days		X	
Follow-up to decisions S-4/101 on Darfur: decides to convene a group of 7 SR to report to Human Rights Council at its fifth session	4/8 (limited)					Limited to the fifth session of the Council

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Ad hoc Committee on Complementary Standards to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination	6/21		Inaugural session in the first quarter of 2008 to commence mandate and to allocate no more than 2 days at the beginning of the inaugural session to reflect on past accomplishments			X (see also HRC decision 3/103)
Forum on minority issues (see above, Working Group of Sub-Commission)	6/15, 7/6	X	3 years		X	
Elaboration of human rights goals to be launched on the celebration of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights sixtieth anniversary	6/26		Sixtieth anniversary			X
Universal periodic review voluntary trust fund to be established to facilitate the participation of developing countries, particularly least developed countries	5/1, 6/17				Universal periodic review mechanisms	
Universal periodic review voluntary fund for financial and technical assistance	6/17				Universal periodic review mechanisms	

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Human Rights Council Advisory Committee (ninth session of Council Panel on missing persons)	5/1, 7/28, 9/101		Requests the Advisory Committee to prepare subsequently a study on the best practices in the matter of missing persons and to submit that study to the Council at its twelfth session		X	
Special Rapporteurs	5/1				X	
Consultative Group established to propose to the President of the Human Rights Council, at least one month before, a list of candidates for the selection and appointment of mandate-holders	5/1				X	
Working Group on situations	5/1				X (replaced former Working Group on situations)	
Working Group on communications	5/1				X (replaced former Working Group on communications)	

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Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture ... Or Punishment	1/PRST.1				X (1/PRST.1, Optional Protocol to the Convention entered into force 22 June 2006)
Committee on Enforced Disappearances	1/1				X (Convention will enter into force when 20 States have ratified; currently there are 5 ratifications and 78 signatories)
Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities					X (Convention entered into force 3 May 2008)