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Overview

- 11.1 The programme was established following the final review and appraisal of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s in 2002. As a result of that review, in its resolution 57/7, the General Assembly brought to a close the New Agenda and endorsed the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) as the framework for the provision of international support for African development (NEPAD was formally adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its thirty-seventh ordinary session, held in Lusaka in July 2001). The General Assembly also outlined the substantive areas to receive support and the modalities for providing such support, underscoring the need for a structure in the Secretariat in New York to review and report on the support provided by the United Nations system and the international community for NEPAD and on the coordinated implementation of outcomes of summit meetings and conferences as they relate to Africa as well as to coordinate global advocacy in support of the New Partnership. In addition, the Assembly welcomed the actions being taken at the regional level by the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) to organize the activities of the United Nations system around thematic clusters covering the priority areas of NEPAD and, in that regard, urged the strengthening of the process as a means of enhancing the effective response of the United Nations system in support of the New Partnership. It called upon the United Nations system to enhance its advocacy role and public information activities in support of Africa's development. Subsequently, in its resolution 57/300, the Assembly endorsed the creation of the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa and entrusted to the Special Adviser the role of coordinating reports and advocacy in support of NEPAD. The role of the Office in supporting NEPAD has been reaffirmed by the Assembly in a series of subsequent resolutions.
- 11.2 At the 2005 World Summit, world leaders reaffirmed their commitment to address the special needs of Africa, the only continent not on track to meet any of the goals of the United Nations Millennium Declaration (resolution 55/2) by 2015. The New Partnership includes a commitment to achieve the Millennium Development Goals, which represents an important linkage with the Millennium Declaration. NEPAD substantially reflects the priorities on meeting the special needs of Africa as set out in the Millennium Declaration, namely, supporting the political and institutional structures of emerging democracies in Africa; further building peacekeeping capacity, in cooperation with regional organizations; taking special measures to address the challenges of poverty reduction and sustainable development by cancelling debt, increasing official development assistance, enhancing private capital flows and building capacity for trade; and helping Africa to build its capacity to tackle the spread of HIV/AIDS and other infectious diseases. Consequently, through its support for NEPAD, the programme will contribute substantively to the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals in Africa.
- 11.3 A major barrier to the development of Africa has been the persistence of conflict in some of the countries of the region. The need to develop a comprehensive means of promoting peace and security and development has long been recognized and was articulated in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (A/52/871-S/1998/318). Since 1998, a number of United Nations initiatives in Africa have been in line with the recommendations of the report, although a great deal still needs to be done. Thus, by its resolution 60/223, the Assembly called upon the Secretary-General to continue to monitor progress in the implementation of the recommendations.
- 11.4 In accordance with the mandate provided in the General Assembly resolutions, the programme aims to: (a) mobilize the support and galvanize the efforts of the international community for African peace and development; (b) ensure that the development of Africa remains one of the main priorities of the international community; (c) promote a supportive international framework for African development efforts; (d) encourage a coordinated and effective response by the United

Nations system at the policy and operational levels in support of African development; and (e) strengthen and enhance South-South cooperation in support of the advancement of Africa.

- 11.5 Regional and international efforts have focused on the implementation of the New Partnership and on assisting Africa in developing a robust architecture for peace and security. The programme will support those efforts through a mix of analytical work, advocacy and outreach and improvement in the coordination of the work of the United Nations system in support of African development.
- 11.6 The Office of the Special Adviser for Africa provides overall coordination and leadership of the programme, which will be under the joint responsibility of the Office of the Special Adviser for Africa, ECA and the Department of Public Information.
- 11.7 The issue of publications as a part of the programme of work has been reviewed in the context of each subprogramme. It is anticipated that recurrent and non-recurrent publications will be issued as summarized in table 11.1 and as described in the output information for each subprogramme.

Table 11.1 **Summary of publications**

<i>Publications</i>	<i>2004-2005 actual</i>	<i>2006-2007 estimate</i>	<i>2008-2009 estimate</i>
Recurrent	26	26	20
Non-recurrent	11	10	14
Total	37	36	34

- 11.8 The overall resources required for the biennium 2008-2009 under this section amount to \$11,186,300 before recosting, reflecting an increase of \$383,200 (or 3.5 per cent). The growth shown in tables 11.3 and 11.4 can be summarized as follows:
- (a) A net increase of \$289,800 under subprogramme 1 as a result of: (i) an increase of \$278,600 as a consequence of the delayed impact of two new Professional posts (1 P-4 and 1 P-3) approved for the biennium 2006-2007; and (ii) an increase in the amount of \$15,900 reflecting the cost of the service-level agreement with the Information Technology Services Division, Office of Central Support Services, partially offset by reductions totalling \$4,700 for non-recurrent non-post items;
 - (b) A net increase of \$95,000 under subprogramme 2 as a result of an increase of \$181,000 for one proposed additional Programme Officer post (P-4), partially offset by a decrease of \$86,000 under non-post resources;
 - (c) A decrease of \$1,600 under subprogramme 3 as a result of reduced public information and external printing costs.
- 11.9 During the biennium 2008-2009, the projected extrabudgetary resources, amounting to \$470,000, will complement resources from the regular budget to finance various activities, such as: (a) the preparation of policy papers on emerging issues in Africa, with an emphasis on the nexus between peace and development; (b) follow-up activities relating to the fourth Tokyo International Conference on African Development; (c) activities enhancing human security in Africa; and (d) advocacy and promotional materials relating to NEPAD.
- 11.10 Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/269, resources identified for the conduct of monitoring and evaluation would amount to \$84,200, funded from regular budget resources and reflected under each subprogramme.

11.11 The estimated percentage distribution of the programme resources in the biennium 2008-2009 is shown in table 11.2.

11.12 The distribution of resources is summarized in tables 11.3 and 11.4.

Table 11.2 **Distribution of resources by subprogramme**

(Percentage)

<i>Subprogramme</i>	<i>Regular budget</i>	<i>Extrabudgetary</i>
Coordination of global advocacy of and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development	65.8	100.0
Regional coordination of and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development	14.1	—
Public information and awareness activities in support of the New Partnership for Africa's Development	20.1	—
Total	100.0	100.0

Table 11.3 **Post requirements**

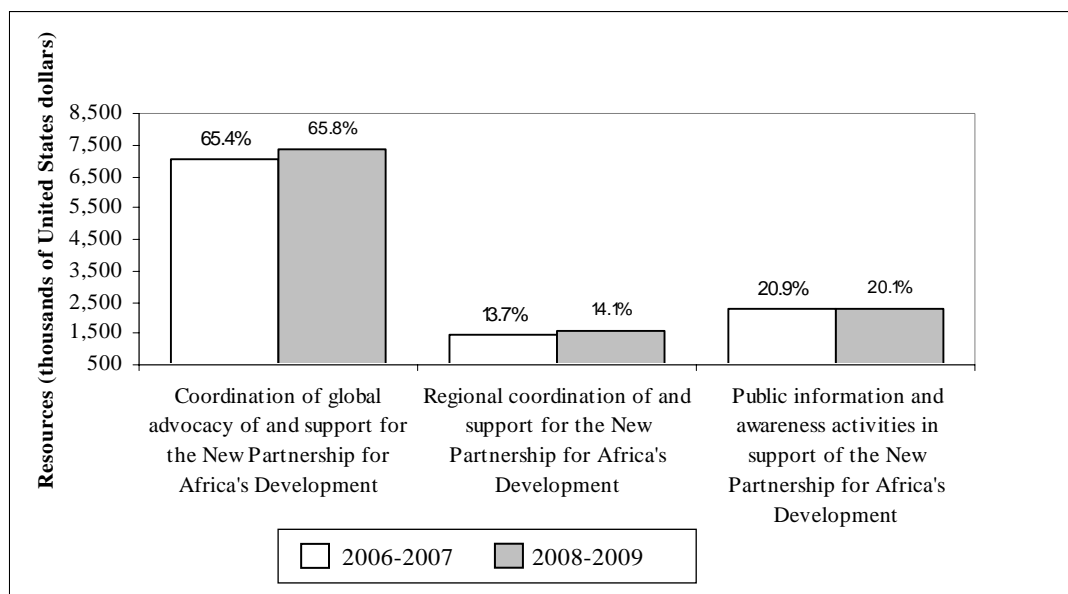
Category	Established regular budget posts		Temporary posts				Total		
	2006- 2007	2008- 2009	Regular budget		Extrabudgetary		2006- 2007	2008- 2009	
			2006- 2007	2008- 2009	2006- 2007	2008- 2009			
Professional and above									
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	
D-2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	
D-1	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2	
P-5	4	4	—	—	—	—	4	4	
P-4/3	13	14	—	—	—	—	13	14	
Subtotal	21	22	—	—	—	—	21	22	
General Service									
Principal level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	
Other level	9	9	—	—	—	—	9	9	
Subtotal	10	10	—	—	—	—	10	10	
Other									
Local level	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	
Subtotal	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	
Total	32	33	—	—	—	—	32	33	

Programme of work

Table 11.4 **Resource requirements by subprogramme**

<i>Subprogramme</i>	<i>Resources (thousands of United States dollars)</i>		<i>Posts</i>	
	<i>2006-2007</i>	<i>2008-2009 (before recosting)</i>	<i>2006-2007</i>	<i>2008-2009</i>
Regular budget				
Coordination of global advocacy of and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development	7 070.3	7 360.1	21	21
Regional coordination of and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development	1 478.7	1 573.7	4	5
Public information and awareness activities in support of the New Partnership for Africa's Development	2 254.1	2 252.5	7	7
Subtotal	10 803.1	11 186.3	32	33
Extrabudgetary	745.3	470.0	—	—
Total	11 548.4	11 656.3	32	33

Regular budget resource requirements by subprogramme



Subprogramme 1

Coordination of global advocacy of and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$7,360,100

- 11.13 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing on subprogramme 1 of programme 9 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2008-2009.

Table 11.5 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To strengthen international cooperation in support of the New Partnership for Africa's Development and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in Africa.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
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| (a) Increased international community support to African development in general, and to NEPAD in particular | (a) (i) The number of recommendations in the reports of the Secretary-General incorporated into General Assembly resolutions on African development |
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Performance measures

2004-2005: 40 recommendations

Estimate 2006-2007: 40 recommendations

Target 2008-2009: 45 recommendations

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| (ii) An increase in the number of United Nations activities in support of African development |
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Performance measures

2004-2005: 110 activities

Estimate 2006-2007: 130 activities

Target 2008-2009: 135 activities

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| (iii) An increase in the number of forums addressing South-South cooperation in support of Africa |
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Performance measures

2004-2005: 2 forums

Estimate 2006-2007: 4 forums

	Target 2008-2009: 6 forums
(b) Improved United Nations coordination in providing support to African development with the attainment of the Millennium Development Goals	(b) An increase in the number of joint initiatives undertaken by the United Nations system in support of African development
	<i>Performance measures</i>
	2004-2005: 30 joint activities
	Estimate 2006-2007: 35 joint activities
	Target 2008-2009: 40 joint activities
(c) Increased international awareness of Africa's development issues	(c) An increase in the number of visits to the websites of the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa
	<i>Performance measures</i>
	2004-2005: 270 visits per day
	Estimate 2006-2007: 280 visits per day
	Target 2008-2009: 300 visits per day

External factors

- 11.14 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) Member States continue to demonstrate the political will to implement effective actions in support of the New Partnership for Africa's Development and the African agenda in general; (b) the private sector and civil society, not only internationally, but especially in Africa itself, show their willingness to be involved in the implementation of the New Partnership; and (c) all partners implement their financial pledges and other commitments in support of the New Partnership.

Outputs

- 11.15 During the biennium 2008-2009, the following outputs will be delivered:
- (a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):
 - (i) General Assembly:
 - a. Substantive servicing of meetings in connection with the agenda item entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (8);
 - b. Parliamentary documentation: progress report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (2); report on the New Partnership: progress in implementation and international support (2);
 - (ii) Economic and Social Council: substantive servicing of the ad hoc advisory group on African countries emerging from conflict (as required);

- (iii) Committee for Programme and Coordination:
 - a. Substantive servicing of meetings in connection with the Committee during its consideration of the report of the Secretary-General on United Nations system support for the New Partnership (3);
 - b. Parliamentary documentation: United Nations system support for the New Partnership (1);
- (iv) Ad hoc expert groups: Africa and international terrorism (1); best practices in natural resources management: a review of the experiences of selected countries (1); the development of microfinance in Africa: scope, impact and lessons learned (1); economic diversification in Africa: a review of the experiences of selected countries (1); overview of Africa's cooperation with new and emerging development partners (e.g., Brazil, China, India and the Republic of Korea) (1); panel discussion on Africa's cooperation with new and emerging development partners (1); panel discussion on the challenges of increased aid to Africa (1); security sector reform and protection of women in post-conflict countries (1); the socio-economic impact of debt relief (1); strengthening the capacity of regional organizations to support peace efforts (1);
- (b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):
 - (i) Recurrent publications: an overview of African peace and development: topical issues in the implementation of the New Partnership (1); directory of African non-governmental organizations (1); folder on United Nations system support for the New Partnership (2);
 - (ii) Non-recurrent publications: Africa and international terrorism (1); best practices in natural resources management: a review of the experiences of selected countries (1); the development of microfinance in Africa: scope, impact and lessons learned (1); economic diversification in Africa: a review of the experiences of selected countries (1); human security and peacebuilding in Africa (1); issues paper: follow-up on the fourth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (1); overview of Africa's cooperation with new and emerging development partners (e.g., Brazil, China, India and the Republic of Korea) (1); report on the state of implementation of various commitments made concerning Africa's development for the high-level meeting on Africa's development needs (1); security sector reform and protection of women in post-conflict countries (1); the socio-economic impact of debt relief (1); strengthening the capacity of regional organizations to support peace efforts (1);
 - (iii) Seminars for outside users: briefings of Member States and other stakeholders, including the private sector and civil society, on current and emerging issues regarding Africa's development and progress in the implementation of NEPAD and on follow-up to United Nations global conferences (8);
 - (iv) Audio-visual resources: database on African non-governmental organizations (1); management of the website of the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (<http://www.un.org/esa/africa>).

Table 11.6 Resource requirements: subprogramme 1

Category	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		Posts	
	2006-2007	2008-2009 (before recosting)	2006-2007	2008-2009
Regular budget				
Post	5 718.8	5 997.4	21	21
Non-post	1 351.5	1 362.7	—	—
Subtotal	7 070.3	7 360.1	21	21
Extrabudgetary	577.3	470.0	—	—
Total	7 647.6	7 830.1	21	21

- 11.16 The amount of \$7,360,100, reflecting an increase of \$289,800, is required for the continuation of 21 posts and related non-post resources. The increase of \$278,600 under posts is a result of the delayed impact of two new Professional posts (1 P-4 and 1 P-3) approved for the biennium 2006-2007. The net increase in non-post requirements is largely attributable to the increased cost of the service-level agreement with the Information Technology Services Division.

Subprogramme 2

Regional coordination of and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$1,573,700

- 11.17 The subprogramme will be implemented by ECA. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing on subprogramme 2 of programme 9 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2008-2009.

Table 11.7 Objectives for the biennium expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures

Objective of the Organization: To strengthen United Nations system-wide support for the implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development at the regional and subregional levels.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
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(a) Enhanced coherence, coordination and cooperation among United Nations agencies in support of the implementation of NEPAD at the regional and subregional levels

(a) (i) The number of joint activities and programmes undertaken at the regional and subregional levels

Performance measures

2004-2005: 9 joint activities and programmes

(b) Improved cooperation and coordination between United Nations agencies and the African continental organizations (African Union, African Development Bank and the regional economic communities) for the effective implementation of NEPAD at the regional and subregional levels

Estimate 2006-2007: 10 joint activities and programmes

Target 2008-2009: 14 joint activities and programmes

(ii) The number of overlapping programmes that are merged

Performance measures

2004-2005: 5 overlapping programmes merged

Estimate 2006-2007: 7 overlapping programmes merged

Target 2008-2009: 7 overlapping programmes merged

(b) (i) An increase in the number of memorandums of understanding signed collectively or bilaterally between United Nations agencies and the African Union, the African Development Bank and the regional economic communities, aiming at strengthening joint programming and/or joint implementation of activities or programmes in support of NEPAD at the subregional and regional levels

Performance measures

2004-2005: 5 memorandums of understanding signed

Estimate 2006-2007: 7 memorandums of understanding signed

Target 2008-2009: 7 memorandums of understanding signed

(ii) An increase in the number of programmes and projects implemented under those memorandums of understanding

Performance measures

2004-2005: 2 programmes/projects implemented

Estimate 2006-2007: 4 programmes/projects implemented

Target 2008-2009: 7 programmes/projects implemented

External factors

- 11.18 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) United Nations agencies and organizations working in Africa are committed to the implementation of joint activities and programmes in support of the New Partnership for Africa's Development and the attainment of the United Nations Millennium Development Goals; and (b) African regional bodies, regional economic communities and intergovernmental organizations are supportive of United Nations efforts to strengthen system-wide support for the New Partnership.

Outputs

- 11.19 During the biennium 2008-2009, the following outputs will be delivered:

- (a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):
 - (i) Substantive servicing of meetings: annual session of the regional consultation meeting of United Nations agencies and organizations working in Africa in support of the implementation of NEPAD (2); annual meeting of the United Nations leadership community in Africa (2);
 - (ii) Parliamentary documentation (6): issues papers for the meeting of the United Nations leadership community in Africa on improving the effectiveness of United Nations entities in delivering and responding to new and growing challenges in Africa (2); reports to the annual meetings of the ministerial session of ECA subregional offices on United Nations system-wide support for the implementation of NEPAD at the subregional level (2); reports to the annual session of the regional consultation meeting of United Nations agencies and organizations working in Africa in support of operationalizing the framework for the 10-year capacity-building programme for the African Union, including the NEPAD programme (2);
 - (iii) Ad hoc expert groups: assessing progress in advancing the NEPAD programme: five years later (1); enhancing the African Peer Review Mechanism process (1); strengthening the United Nations regional consultation mechanism for effective United Nations support for the vision and priorities of the African Union and its NEPAD programme (1);
- (b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):
 - (i) Non-recurrent publications: five-year review of the NEPAD programme: from planning to implementation (1); implementation of the African Peer Review Mechanism: challenges and best practices (1); measures to enhance the functioning of the regional consultation mechanism for United Nations agencies and organizations working in Africa towards accelerating the implementation of the United Nations/African Union cooperation programme/NEPAD (1);
 - (ii) Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wallcharts, information kits: booklet and other promotional materials highlighting best practices as well as effective joint projects and programmes in support of the implementation of NEPAD by United Nations agencies and Member States, the African Union Commission, the NEPAD secretariat and the regional economic communities (2);

- (iii) Special events: forum on NEPAD: the way forward after the five-year review (1);
 - (iv) Technical material: maintenance of a website on NEPAD: United Nations agencies working in Africa; development and maintenance of e-discussion lists for each of the nine United Nations thematic clusters on NEPAD in order to improve intra-cluster dialogue and facilitate cross-sectoral programming and implementation within clusters;
 - (v) Substantive servicing of inter-agency meetings: substantive support for the implementation of the African Peer Review Mechanism at the country level through support and review missions and technical assistance in capacity-building programmes for Member States (1); functional support for meetings of the nine United Nations thematic clusters of the regional consultation in support of NEPAD (9); functional support for the organization of the annual subregional consultation meetings of United Nations agencies and organizations working in Africa in support of NEPAD in collaboration with the subregional organizations, the regional economic communities, the African Union Commission and the NEPAD secretariat (2);
 - (vi) Contribution to joint outputs: functional support for meetings organized within the context of enhancing United Nations/African Union cooperation: framework for the 10-year capacity-building programme for the African Union (2);
- (c) Technical cooperation (regular budget):
- (i) Advisory services: provision of advisory services, upon request, to Member States and regional economic communities, the African Partnership Forum, the NEPAD Steering Committee, the African Peer Review Mechanism secretariat, the African Union NEPAD secretariat and other African regional economic communities and institutions to support:
 - a. Implementation of United Nations/African Union cooperation within the framework of the 10-year capacity-building programme for the African Union;
 - b. Regional economic communities and the NEPAD secretariat in advancing the NEPAD programme and action plans;
 - c. African Peer Review Mechanism countries in the implementation of their national programmes of action;
 - (ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: advocacy and outreach activities for NEPAD in collaboration with the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa, the Department of Public Information, the United Nations Development Programme, the NEPAD secretariat and the regional economic communities; development, implementation and appraisal of concrete projects and programmes in support of the implementation of the NEPAD programme/action plans.

Table 11.8 Resource requirements: subprogramme 2

Category	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		Posts	
	2006-2007	2008-2009 (before recosting)	2006-2007	2008-2009
Regular budget				
Post	1 056.2	1 237.2	4	5
Non-post	422.5	336.5	—	—
Subtotal	1 478.7	1 573.7	4	5
Extrabudgetary	—	—	—	—
Total	1 478.7	1 573.7	4	5

- 11.20 The resources of \$1,573,700, representing an increase of \$95,000, provide for the continuation of four posts and the addition of one new P-4 post for a Programme Officer and related non-post requirements. The proposed new post will be responsible for assisting in the implementation of the framework for enhancing United Nations/African Union cooperation by providing technical support for the substantive servicing of the expanded regional consultative meetings convened by ECA as overall coordinator for NEPAD; preparing background documents and reports to be considered during joint United Nations/African Union meetings; providing liaison with and technical support to heads of agencies and programmes during joint consultations with the African Union Chairperson and commissioners; and developing future cluster priorities based on the 10-year framework for enhancing United Nations/African Union cooperation. The requirements for the new post are partially offset by lower requirements under other staff costs, consultants and experts, resulting in a net increase of \$95,000.

Subprogramme 3

Public information and awareness activities in support of the New Partnership for Africa's Development

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$2,252,500

- 11.21 The subprogramme will be implemented by the Department of Public Information. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing on subprogramme 3 of programme 9 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2008-2009.

Table 11.9 **Objectives of the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To raise international awareness of the critical economic and social situation in Africa, as well as the efforts made by Africa and the international community to promote the economic recovery and sustainable development of the region in pursuit of the goals of the New Partnership for Africa's Development and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Improved quality and timely issuance of <i>Africa Renewal</i> and <i>Afrique Renouveau</i>	<p>(a) (i) The percentage of the target audience expressing satisfaction with the quality of the magazine</p> <p><i>Performance measures</i></p> <p>2004-2005: 60 per cent</p> <p>Estimate 2006-2007: 60 per cent</p> <p>Target 2008-2009: 65 per cent</p> <p>(ii) A reduction in the number of days beyond 3 months for each issuance of <i>Africa Renewal</i> and <i>Afrique Renouveau</i></p> <p><i>Performance measures</i></p> <p>2004-2005: 7 days</p> <p>Estimate 2006-2007: 6 days</p> <p>Target 2008-2009: 6 days</p>
(b) Enhanced awareness of key thematic issues covered by the information materials produced by the subprogramme, both in print and on the website	<p>(b) The percentage of the target audience indicating awareness of key thematic issues</p> <p>2004-2005: 65 per cent of target audience indicating raised awareness</p> <p>Estimate 2006-2007: 65 per cent of target audience indicating raised awareness</p>

	Target 2008-2009: 65 per cent of target audience indicating raised awareness
(c) Enhanced awareness of the target audience of the aims of NEPAD	(c) The percentage of the target audience indicating awareness of the aims of NEPAD
	2004-2005: 50 per cent
	Estimate 2006-2007: 65 per cent
	Target 2008-2009: 65 per cent

External factors

- 11.22 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that external media (editors and journalists) are willing to accept publication materials prepared and disseminated by the Africa Section. The quality of the information that can be prepared by the subprogramme is influenced by the ability of partners (United Nations agencies, the African Union, the NEPAD secretariat, actors in Africa and the international community) to share information on their activities related to the goals, challenges and accomplishments of NEPAD.

Outputs

- 11.23 During the biennium 2008-2009, the following outputs will be delivered: other substantive activities (regular budget):
- (a) Recurrent publications: *Africa Renewal* (4 times a year) in English (8); *Afrique Renouveau* (4 times a year) in French (8);
 - (b) Booklets, fact sheets, wallcharts, information kits: information kits, briefing papers, press releases, media advisories and input to United Nations radio broadcasts on major international, regional and local initiatives and developments that support or have an impact on economic and social development in Africa (4);
 - (c) Press releases, press conferences: the promotion of information materials produced by the Africa Section through liaison with editors and writers in major African media and with major donor and other countries to place those articles and to include relevant information on United Nations support for Africa in their own materials (1);
 - (d) Technical material: Africa Renewal Online (English and French versions): develop and maintain the website, produce content tailored to the media and others interested in Africa's development to be linked to the website and design the site to optimize access to all available information materials (<http://www.un.org/AR>) (2).

Table 11.10 Resource requirements: subprogramme 3

Category	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		Posts	
	2006-2007	2008-2009 (before recosting)	2006-2007	2008-2009
Regular budget				
Post	1 659.9	1 659.9	7	7
Non-post	594.2	592.6	—	—
Subtotal	2 254.1	2 252.5	7	7
Extrabudgetary	168.0	—	—	—
Total	2 422.1	2 252.5	7	7

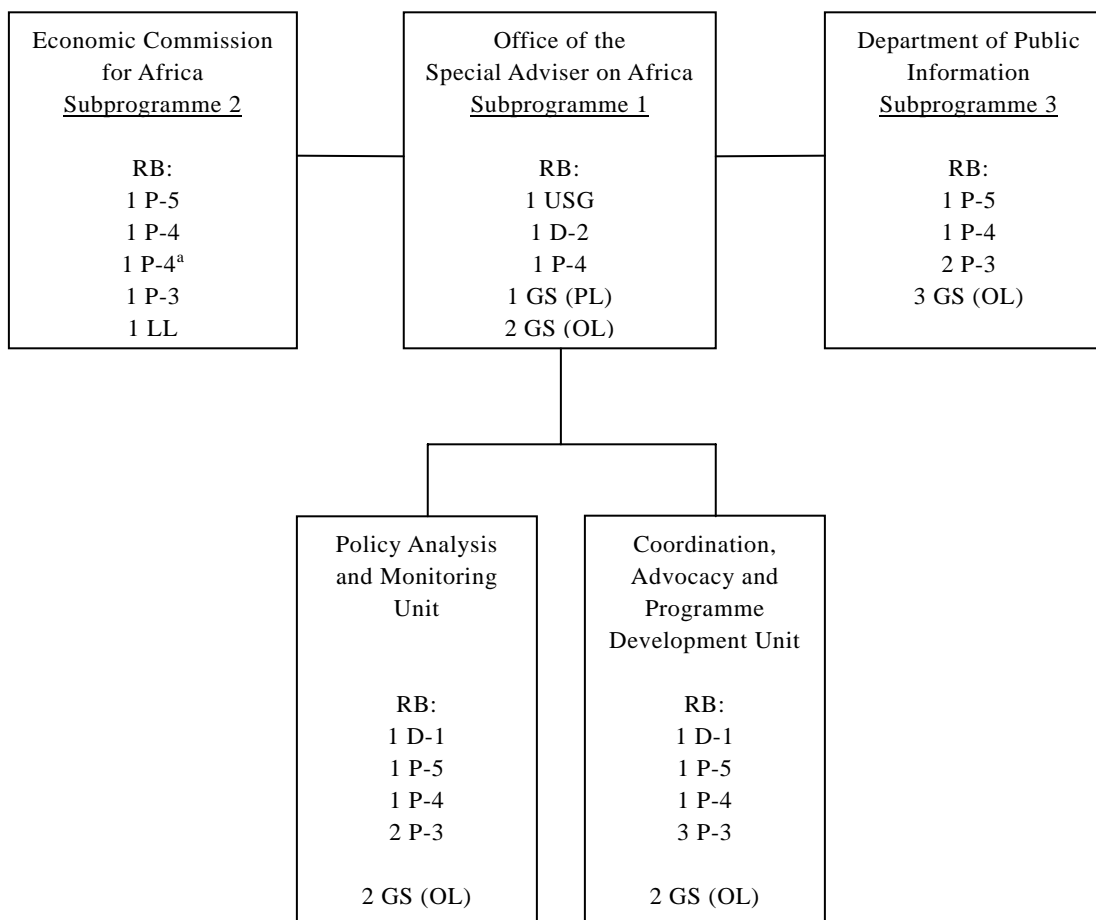
- 11.24 The amount of \$2,252,500, reflecting a decrease of \$1,600, provides for the continuation of seven posts and related non-post requirements. The decrease is attributable to reduced production costs associated with public information materials produced under contractual services, partially offset by the increased cost of the service-level agreement with the Information Technology Services Division and travel requirements in connection with attending events and meetings, on-the-ground research and the coverage of regional developments.

Table 11.11 Summary of follow-up action taken to implement the relevant recommendations of the oversight bodies

Brief description of the recommendation	Action taken to implement the recommendation
Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7 and Corr.1)	
IV.26 The Advisory Committee recommends that the organization chart at the end of the fascicle for section 11 be reformatted so as to show the true linkage between the Office of the Special Adviser, the Economic Commission for Africa and the Department of Public Information.	The organization chart has been adjusted to reflect the linkages among the three subprogrammes.

United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development

Organizational structure and post distribution for the biennium 2008-2009



Abbreviations: RB, regular budget; GS, General Service; PL, Principal level; OL, Other level; LL, Local level.

^a New post.

Annex

Outputs produced in 2006-2007 not to be carried out in the biennium 2008-2009

<i>A/60/6, paragraph</i>	<i>Output</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Reason for discontinuation</i>
Coordination of global advocacy of and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development			
11.18 (b) (i)	Issues papers for the meetings of the Secretary-General's Advisory Panel on International Support for NEPAD	2	The two-year mandate for the Advisory Panel ended.
11.18 (b) (i)	Report of the Secretary-General's Advisory Panel on International Support for NEPAD	2	The two-year mandate for the Advisory Panel ended.
		Total	4