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Since the thirty-first session, as part of the new system adopted for symbols of General Assembly documents, resolutions and decisions have been identified by an arabic numeral, indicating the session, followed by an oblique stroke and another arabic numeral (for example: resolution 31/1, decision 31/301). When several resolutions or decisions were adopted under the same number, each of them has been identified by a capital letter placed after the two numerals (for example: resolution 31/16 A, resolutions 31/6 A and B, decisions 31/406 A to E).

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In each of the series described above, the numbering follows the order of adoption.

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The present volume contains the resolutions and decisions adopted by the General Assembly from 25 December 2012 to 16 September 2013. Resolutions adopted by the Assembly from 18 September to 24 December 2012 appear in volume I. Volume II contains the decisions adopted by the Assembly during that period.

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**RESOLUTION 67/234 B**

Adopted at the 71st plenary meeting, on 2 April 2013, by a recorded vote of 154 to 3, with 23 abstentions,\* on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.58 and Add.1, sponsored by: Albania, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Barbados, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Central African Republic, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Senegal, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Sudan, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Vanuatu

\* *In favour:* Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominica, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Senegal, Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Zambia

*Against:* Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Syrian Arab Republic

*Abstaining:* Angola, Bahrain, Belarus, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), China, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Oman, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Yemen

**67/234. The Arms Trade Treaty**

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*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 63/240 of 24 December 2008 and 64/48 of 2 December 2009, and its decision 66/518 of 2 December 2011,

*Recalling also* its resolution 67/234 A of 24 December 2012, in which the General Assembly decided to remain seized of the matter of the Arms Trade Treaty during its sixty-seventh session,

*Having considered* the report of the Final United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty as contained in document A/CONF.217/2013/2,

1. *Adopts* the Arms Trade Treaty as contained in the annex to document A/CONF.217/2013/L.3;
2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, as depositary of the Treaty, to reflect the date of adoption of the Treaty by the General Assembly in the final sentence of the Treaty;
3. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, as depositary of the Treaty, to open it for signature on 3 June 2013;

<sup>1</sup> Resolution 67/234, in section II of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. I, becomes resolution 67/234 A.

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4. *Calls upon* all States to consider signing and, thereafter, according to their respective constitutional processes, becoming parties to the Treaty at the earliest possible date;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, as depositary of the Treaty, to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session on the status of signature and ratification of the Treaty.

### RESOLUTION 67/249

Adopted at the 63rd plenary meeting, on 22 January 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.53 and Add.1, sponsored by: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, El Salvador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, Georgia, Greece, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Lebanon, Lithuania, Mexico, Montenegro, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Portugal, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Singapore, Slovenia, Suriname, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay

#### 67/249. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 46/8 of 16 October 1991, 49/141 of 20 December 1994, 51/16 of 11 November 1996, 53/17 of 29 October 1998, 55/17 of 7 November 2000, 57/41 of 21 November 2002, 59/138 of 10 December 2004, 61/50 of 4 December 2006, 63/34 of 26 November 2008 and 65/242 of 24 December 2010,

*Bearing in mind* the provisions of Chapter VIII of the Charter of the United Nations on the existence of regional arrangements or agencies for dealing with such matters relating to the maintenance of international peace and security as are appropriate for regional action and other activities consistent with the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

*Welcoming* the continued commitment of the States members of the Caribbean Community to the United Nations as a principal forum for multilateral cooperation,

*Recalling* the signing on 27 May 1997 by the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community of a cooperation agreement between the secretariats of the two organizations,<sup>2</sup>

*Bearing in mind*, in this regard, the cooperation activities undertaken by the United Nations and the Caribbean Community in fields related to the prevention and eradication of the illicit trade in narcotic drugs, small arms and light weapons, the safety and management of stockpiles and the destruction of surplus weapons and ammunition, the non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and the prohibition and restriction of the use of certain conventional weapons,

*Recalling* the fruitful and action-oriented exchanges that have taken place recently between the two organizations, including contacts between the Secretary-General of the United Nations and Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community, and also between the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community,

*Bearing in mind* that, in its resolutions 54/225 of 22 December 1999, 55/203 of 20 December 2000, 57/261 of 20 December 2002, 59/230 of 22 December 2004, 61/197 of 20 December 2006 and 63/214 of 19 December 2008, it recognized the importance of adopting an integrated management approach to the Caribbean Sea area in the context of sustainable development, and mindful of the critical importance of the Caribbean Sea to the economic and social development and environmental well-being of the region, including in the areas of tourism, trade, commerce and the marine sector,

*Bearing in mind also* the support that Caribbean States have received from the United Nations in their efforts to advance the implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1978, No. 1197.

<sup>3</sup> *Report of the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Port Louis, Mauritius, 10–14 January 2005* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.05.II.A.4 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

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*Noting* the support that the United Nations Environment Programme has been extending for the implementation of the environmental and sustainable development programmes of the Caribbean Community, including its close collaboration with the Sustainable Development Unit of the Caribbean Community secretariat, and related national and regional institutions,

*Expressing appreciation*, in this context, for the technical role of the United Nations Environment Programme in building cooperation linkages among the small island developing States of the Caribbean Community, and in facilitating the assessment by them of the implications of their adaptation to climate change, which will guide future United Nations Environment Programme climate change programmes in the region,

*Taking note* of the outcome document of the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals,<sup>4</sup> in which Heads of State and Government recognized the unique and particular vulnerabilities of small island developing States and reaffirmed their commitment to urgent and concrete action to address those vulnerabilities through the full and effective implementation of the Mauritius Strategy, and taking note also of the outcome document of the high-level review meeting on the implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,<sup>5</sup> held on 24 and 25 September 2010 in New York,

*Noting* that the Caribbean region is the second most hazard-prone region in the world, with frequent exposure to devastating natural hazards, including earthquakes, floods, hurricanes and volcanic eruptions, and concerned that their increased frequency, intensity and destructive power continue to pose a challenge to the development of the region,

*Recalling* the devastating earthquake that struck Haiti on 12 January 2010 as well as the subsequent passage of tropical storms and hurricanes which caused loss of life and widespread damage to agriculture, infrastructure and personal property, and stressing the urgent need for renewed and sustained attention to the critical situation in Haiti and to fulfil the pledges made to assist Haiti in its long-term recovery and sustainable development initiatives,

*Noting* that in 2010, 2011 and 2012 States members of the Caribbean Community, including the Bahamas, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, were severely affected, in varying degrees of intensity, by natural disasters which caused significant loss of life and extensive damage to infrastructure, with consequent negative effects on the development efforts of the countries affected,

*Noting with appreciation* the robust support and encouragement that the United Nations continues to give to the Pan-Caribbean Partnership against HIV/AIDS as it continues to perform its role as the regional response mechanism for reducing the spread and impact of HIV and AIDS through a system of universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support,

*Noting with appreciation also* the number of consultations and information exchanges that have been taking place between officials of the two organizations aimed at strengthening their bilateral cooperation in such areas as combating crime and armed violence, and drug abuse control,

*Expressing deep concern* about the persistent challenges posed by an international environment characterized by, inter alia, ongoing adverse impacts of the world financial and economic crisis, the lack of access to energy and sustainable modern energy services, food insecurity, the increased incidence of natural disasters and environmental challenges, all of which have increased the vulnerabilities and seriously exacerbated the challenges for the development efforts of the countries of the Caribbean Community,

*Recalling* the initiative of the States members of the Caribbean Community for the convening of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases on 19 and 20 September 2011,

*Affirming* the need to further strengthen the cooperation that already exists between entities of the United Nations system and the Caribbean Community in the areas of sustainable development, political and humanitarian affairs and security,

*Convinced* of the need for the coordinated utilization of available resources to promote the common objectives of the two organizations,

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<sup>4</sup> Resolution 65/1.

<sup>5</sup> Resolution 65/2.

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1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>6</sup> in particular paragraphs 36 to 48 on the Caribbean Community, concerning efforts to strengthen and deepen cooperation;
2. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in association with the Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community, as well as the relevant regional organizations, to continue to assist in furthering the development and maintenance of peace and security within the Caribbean region;
3. *Notes* the recent engagements between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community;
4. *Requests* the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community to continue to promote and expand cooperation within their respective mandates so as to increase the capacity of the two organizations to attain their objectives and to seek answers to global challenges, including climate change, disaster relief and preparedness, socioeconomic challenges, including poverty, and transnational organized crime;
5. *Calls upon* the United Nations and the specialized agencies, funds and programmes of the United Nations system, bearing in mind the particular vulnerabilities of the States members of the Caribbean Community, to intensify their assistance to those States to enable them to address the diverse challenges that these vulnerabilities pose to achieving sustainable development;
6. *Welcomes* the political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases,<sup>7</sup> adopted by consensus, and in particular the acknowledgement of non-communicable diseases as a development challenge and the commitment to coordinated, multisectoral approaches, development of national plans, prioritization of prevention by addressing common risk factors, development of voluntary targets, strengthening of national health systems, including the provision of universal coverage, and promotion of increased access to medicines;
7. *Stresses* the importance of greater international solidarity, cooperation and assistance in accelerating the implementation of multisectoral national plans and of giving due consideration to non-communicable diseases as a development priority in the elaboration of the post-2015 United Nations development agenda;
8. *Expresses appreciation* for the robust partnership arrangements between the Caribbean Community and the World Health Organization and Pan American Health Organization in addressing non-communicable diseases, and commends the valuable supportive role being played by the World Health Organization and Pan American Health Organization through the provision of technical and other resources to the Caribbean Community in its effort to establish and operationalize the Caribbean Public Health Agency as a mechanism for cooperation and coordination across the region on public health policy;
9. *Also expresses appreciation* for the active cooperation existing between the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and the Caribbean Community, particularly in improving the capacity of the Community in gathering and analysing data and in deepening its analysis of the intraregional and external trade of the Community, as well as in elaborating on the concept of vulnerability in the context of the graduation of some of its member States;
10. *Notes with appreciation* the existing cooperation between the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the Caribbean Community, and calls for further deepening of that cooperation in areas such as the contribution of information and communications technology to education, the protection of world heritage sites in the Community, the challenge of male academic underachievement and the role of cultural industries to the economies of the States of the region;
11. *Also notes with appreciation* the commitment of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to the initiative for establishing a permanent memorial to the victims of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade, jointly led by the States members of the Caribbean Community and the Group of African States at the United Nations, and in this regard requests increased collaboration with the Permanent Memorial Committee towards the successful conclusion of the international design competition for the permanent memorial;

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<sup>6</sup> A/67/280-S/2012/614.

<sup>7</sup> Resolution 66/2, annex.

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12. *Further notes with appreciation* the ongoing efforts of the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean in providing technical assistance and capacity-building to States members of the Caribbean Community in the management of stockpiles of small arms and light weapons and their ammunition and the destruction of obsolete and seized firearms, ammunition and explosives;

13. *Stresses* the urgent need for the reopening of the office of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in the region so as to reinforce the efforts of the States of the region in their struggle against the interrelated scourges of drugs, violent crime and the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons;

14. *Expresses appreciation* for the cooperation received from the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat in the implementation of the annual commemoration of the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade on 25 March and for the continuing support and cooperation being received in the preparatory activities for establishing a permanent memorial to the victims of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade, in keeping with General Assembly resolution 62/122 of 17 December 2007 and subsequent resolutions;

15. *Requests* the Department of Public Information, in cooperation with the countries concerned and relevant organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, to continue to take appropriate steps to enhance public awareness worldwide of the commemorative activities and the permanent memorial initiative, and to continue to facilitate efforts to erect the permanent memorial at United Nations Headquarters;

16. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;

17. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community".

### RESOLUTION 67/250

Adopted at the 65th plenary meeting, on 21 February 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.55 and Add.1, sponsored by: Bangladesh, Cuba, Egypt, Eritrea, Indonesia, Iraq, Japan, Kenya, Malawi, Panama, Uruguay

#### **67/250. Organization of the special session of the General Assembly on the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 47/176 of 22 December 1992 and 48/186 of 21 December 1993 on the International Conference on Population and Development, held in Cairo from 5 to 13 September 1994, its resolution 49/128 of 19 December 1994 on the report of the Conference<sup>8</sup> and its resolution 53/183 of 15 December 1998 on the implementation of the Programme of Action of the Conference,<sup>9</sup> as well as all its subsequent resolutions on the implementation of the Programme of Action,

*Recalling also* its resolution 65/234 of 22 December 2010 on the follow-up to the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014, in which it decided to convene a special session during the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly in order to assess the status of implementation of the Programme of Action and to renew political support for actions required for the full achievement of its goals and objectives,

*Reaffirming* the need for Governments to recommit themselves at the highest political level to achieving the goals and objectives of the Programme of Action,

*Taking note* of Economic and Social Council decision 2012/232 of 25 July 2012 on the special session,

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<sup>8</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 5–13 September 1994* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.XIII.18).

<sup>9</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

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*Recalling* paragraph 3 of resolution 65/234, in which it decided that the Commission on Population and Development should convene during its forty-seventh session an interactive discussion on the assessment of the status of the implementation of the Programme of Action,

*Recalling also* that in paragraph 7 of resolution 65/234, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General, with the support of the United Nations Population Fund and other relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes, to ensure that the relevant issues identified during the sessions of the Commission were compiled and forwarded to Governments at the sixty-ninth session of the Assembly, with an index report indicating recurrent themes and key elements found therein, along with the findings of the operational review,

*Recognizing* the importance of active participation by all States in the interactive discussion in the forty-seventh session of the Commission on the assessment of the status of implementation of the Programme of Action and in the special session,

*Recognizing also* the importance of the effective participation and contribution of relevant stakeholders, including civil society, particularly non-governmental organizations, as appropriate, in the forty-seventh session of the Commission and in the special session and its preparation,

*Recognizing further* the important contributions made by actors of civil society, particularly non-governmental organizations, to the Conference, its follow-up and the implementation of its Programme of Action,

1. *Decides* that the special session of the General Assembly on the follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014 will be held in New York on 22 September 2014, in the most efficient and cost-effective manner;

2. *Also decides* that the proceedings of the special session shall be governed by the rules of procedure of the General Assembly;

3. *Encourages* all Member and observer States and observers to consider being represented at the special session at the highest political level, including at the level of Head of State or Government;

4. *Decides* that the organizational arrangements for the special session shall be as follows:

(a) The special session shall be composed of plenary meetings on 22 September 2014 from 1 to 9 p.m.;

(b) The plenary meetings shall feature statements by the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, Member and observer States and observers, as well as five selected representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, chosen by the President of the Assembly with due regard for geographic balance, in consultation with Member States in order of precedence;

(c) The President of the General Assembly shall draw up a list of representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council who may participate in the special session;

(d) The President of the General Assembly shall also draw up a list of representatives of other relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, youth groups and the private sector who may participate in the special session, taking into account the principle of equitable geographic representation, for submission to Member States for their consideration on a non-objection basis, and shall bring the list<sup>10</sup> to the attention of the General Assembly;

5. *Reaffirms* that the special session will be undertaken on the basis of and with full respect for the Programme of Action and that there will be no renegotiation of the existing agreements contained therein;

6. *Encourages* Member and observer States and observers to consider including non-governmental organizations and youth representatives, where applicable, in their delegations to the special session;

7. *Decides* that participation in the forty-seventh session of the Commission on Population and Development shall be open-ended, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the rules of procedures of functional commissions and past practice of the Commission;

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<sup>10</sup> The list will include proposed as well as final names.

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8. *Invites* all other relevant regional and international organizations, including bodies of the United Nations system, to contribute, as appropriate, to the forty-seventh session of the Commission and its preparation;

9. *Decides* to invite States members of the specialized agencies of the United Nations that are not members of the United Nations to participate in the special session and the interactive discussion of the forty-seventh session of the Commission in the capacity of observers;

10. *Stresses* the need for the effective participation, as appropriate, of actors of civil society, particularly non-governmental organizations, in the forty-seventh session of the Commission, taking into account the practice and experience gained at the International Conference on Population and Development.

### RESOLUTION 67/251

Adopted at the 67th plenary meeting, on 13 March 2013, without a vote, on the basis of the draft resolution proposed by the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme (A/67/784, annex)

#### **67/251. Change of the designation of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2997 (XXVII) of 15 December 1972 on institutional and financial arrangements for international environmental cooperation, by which it established the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme,

*Recalling also* its resolution 67/213 of 21 December 2012 on the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twelfth special session and on the implementation of section IV.C, entitled “Environmental pillar in the context of sustainable development”, of the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development,

1. *Takes note* of Governing Council decision 27/2 of 22 February 2013, by which the Governing Council invited the General Assembly to adopt a resolution to change its designation to the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme, it being understood that this change of designation in no way changes, nor will change, the present mandate, aims and purposes of the United Nations Environment Programme or the role and functions of its governing body;

2. *Decides* to change the designation of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme to the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme.

### RESOLUTION 67/252

Adopted at the 69th plenary meeting, on 26 March 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.54 and Add.1, sponsored by: Albania, Andorra, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Belize, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Ukraine, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Zambia, Zimbabwe

#### **67/252. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 54/10 of 26 October 1999, by which it granted observer status to the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries and considered it mutually advantageous to provide for cooperation between the United Nations and the Community, as well as its resolutions 59/21 of 8 November 2004, 61/223 of 20 December 2006, 63/143 of 11 December 2008 and 65/139 of 16 December 2010,

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*Recalling also* the Articles of the Charter of the United Nations, in particular of Chapter VIII, that encourage activities through regional cooperation for the promotion of the purposes and principles of the United Nations, and Security Council resolution 1809 (2008) of 16 April 2008 on peace and security in Africa,

*Considering* that the activities of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries complement and support the work of the United Nations, and taking into account, in that regard, the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations,<sup>11</sup>

*Considering also* the relevance of the Portuguese language in international affairs, unifying 240 million people in eight countries and four continents, and noting the political commitment of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries to promote the Portuguese language in international and regional organizations, including the United Nations and its specialized agencies, funds and programmes,

*Welcoming* the celebration of Portuguese Language Day, 5 May, by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, for the seventh consecutive year, on 10 May 2012, and by the States members of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries in New York from 1 to 3 May 2012,

1. *Notes with appreciation* the final declaration of the ninth Conference of Heads of State and Government of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries, held in Maputo on 20 July 2012, on the theme “The Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries and the challenges of food and nutritional security”, in which the Community reaffirmed, *inter alia*, the commitment of its members to strengthening the right to adequate food in national and communitarian policies, as well as to the objective of eradicating hunger and poverty in the Community through the deepening of political and diplomatic coordination and cooperation in all fields;

2. *Welcomes* the adoption by the Council of Ministers of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries, at its sixteenth ordinary meeting, held in Luanda on 22 July 2011, of the Strategy on Food and Nutritional Security, in which the Community decided to progressively institutionalize the theme of food and nutritional security within the Community and its mechanisms of governance;

3. *Stresses* the importance of continuing to strengthen the cooperation between the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries and United Nations specialized agencies and other entities and programmes, in particular the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development, the International Labour Organization, the International Organization for Migration, the World Intellectual Property Organization, the World Health Organization and the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS;

4. *Acknowledges* the relevance of the agreement of principles on the establishment of the International Centre for Climate Research and Applications for Portuguese-speaking Countries and Africa, signed in Bragança, Portugal, on 19 November 2010, the main objective of which is to promote applied research in the areas of environmental geosciences within the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries and the headquarters of which will be in Cape Verde;

5. *Notes with appreciation* the convening of the first civil society forum of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries, held in Brasilia from 28 to 30 September 2011, which set the foundations for the establishment of mechanisms for the broader participation, on a permanent basis, of civil society organizations from Portuguese-speaking countries in the decision-making process and implementation of projects of mutual interest;

6. *Welcomes* the efforts made by States members of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries and the international community to promote the restoration of the constitutional order in Guinea-Bissau, and in that context recalls Security Council resolution 2048 (2012) of 18 May 2012 and notes the need to harmonize, through the active engagement of the Secretary-General and his Special Representative for Guinea-Bissau, the positions of international bilateral and multilateral partners, particularly the African Union, the Economic Community of West African States, the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries and the European Union, with a view to achieving a consensual, inclusive and nationally owned process of transition and to developing a comprehensive

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<sup>11</sup> A/67/280-S/2012/614.

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integrated strategy with concrete measures aimed at restoring the constitutional order, implementing security sector, political and economic reforms, combating drug trafficking and fighting impunity, and recognizes the role of the Peacebuilding Commission and the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Guinea-Bissau in this regard;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;

8. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session, under the item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations”, the sub-item entitled “Cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries”.

### RESOLUTION 67/259

Adopted at the 74th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.61 and Add.1, sponsored by: Democratic People’s Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Russian Federation, South Africa (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States), Timor-Leste

#### **67/259. Political declaration on the peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the provisions of Chapter VIII of the Charter of the United Nations, all relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and resolutions and presidential statements of the Security Council related to cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union, in particular General Assembly resolutions 60/1 of 16 September 2005, 63/1 of 22 September 2008, 65/274 of 18 April 2011 and 66/286 and 66/287 of 23 July 2012 and Security Council resolutions 1809 (2008) of 16 April 2008 and 2033 (2012) of 12 January 2012,

*Adopts* the following political declaration:

#### **Political declaration on the peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa**

1. We, representatives of Member States and observers meeting in New York on 25 April 2013, declare that the high-level meeting on the peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa constitutes an excellent opportunity to strengthen the global partnership in support of Africa’s own efforts and leadership to resolve conflicts and promote durable peace and sustainable development.

2. We congratulate the people and the Governments of the African continent and the leadership of the African Union on the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the Organization of African Unity, celebrated under the theme “Pan-Africanism and the African Renaissance”. We pay special tribute to the generation of pan-Africanists and the founding fathers of the African Union who strived to promote unity, solidarity, cohesion and cooperation among the people and Governments of Africa.

3. We express deep appreciation to the Organization of African Unity for its historic role in the liberation of the people of Africa from the yoke of colonialism and apartheid and for its invaluable contribution towards the objective of achieving total decolonization and unity of the African continent, and recall that African leaders reviewed the functioning of the Organization and decided to transform it into the African Union as a new continental body for political and economic renewal and decision-making to mainstream good governance and accountability.

4. We emphasize the necessity to redouble efforts in order to peacefully resolve all outstanding conflicts and disputes on the African continent.

5. We welcome the role and positive contribution of the African Union in efforts to settle disputes and conflicts peacefully in Africa and express our support for the mediation and peacekeeping initiatives conducted by the African Union. We also recognize the contribution of subregional organizations.

6. We urge the international community, including the United Nations, to continue to effectively address the twin imperatives of security and development in Africa in a comprehensive manner in collaboration with the African Union, and further reaffirm that peace, security, development and human rights are inextricably linked.

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7. We stress the obligation of States to settle their disputes by peaceful means in accordance with Chapter VI of the Charter of the United Nations. In this context, we urge all States to act in accordance with the Declaration on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Cooperation among States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations.<sup>12</sup>

8. We call for the strengthening of the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes and in conflict management, prevention and resolution, and support the use of mediation by all relevant actors in accordance with the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter.

9. We further reaffirm our support for preventive diplomacy in order to prevent or mitigate the spread of armed conflict, and reiterate the need to strengthen international and, in particular, African capacity for preventive diplomacy across the conflict spectrum and as part of broader, nationally driven strategies to promote peace. We welcome the contribution of the African Union to mediation efforts on the continent and call upon the United Nations and the rest of the international community to continue to support African mediation efforts through the provision of related technical support.

10. We recognize that the partnership between the United Nations and the African Union in accordance with Chapter VIII of the Charter is indispensable and remains a solid foundation for sustained and coordinated efforts aimed at the peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa. We reaffirm the need to work with the African Union in assisting African countries emerging from conflict in their efforts to build national capacities.

11. We welcome the intensification of cooperation and mutual support between the United Nations and the African Union and call for closer and enhanced cooperation and coordination between the United Nations system and the African Union, in accordance with the cooperation agreement and other relevant memorandums of understanding between the two organizations.

12. We commend the efforts of the United Nations, the African Union and subregional organizations, together with other international partners, to provide effective support for peacekeeping missions undertaken by regional organizations in accordance with Chapter VIII of the Charter.

13. We pledge to support the full operationalization of the African Peace and Security Architecture, including the Panel of the Wise, the African Union Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Development Framework, the Peace Fund, the continental early warning system and the operationalization of the African Standby Force.

14. We emphasize the need for a coordinated, coherent and integrated approach to post-conflict peacebuilding and reconciliation with a view to achieving sustainable peace, and recognize in this regard the importance of the Peacebuilding Commission in providing political accompaniment, marshalling adequate resources and forging coherence and coordination among relevant actors, as well as the need for the Commission to advise on and propose integrated strategies for post-conflict peacebuilding and recovery aligned with nationally identified priorities.

15. We recognize that the implementation of peacebuilding and State-building goals will contribute to durable peace and sustainable development in Africa.

16. We further recognize that durable peace and sustainable development can be enhanced through inclusive political settlements and conflict resolution, increased protection and empowerment, as well as access to justice, employment and improved socioeconomic conditions, transparency and accountability.

17. We commend the efforts of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the Chairperson of the African Union Commission in promoting the United Nations-African Union partnership, which has been enhanced through Security Council resolutions 1809 (2008) and 2033 (2012) and through all relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and resolutions and presidential statements of the Security Council related to cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union, in particular General Assembly resolutions 60/1, 63/1, 65/274, 66/286 and 66/287, in ensuring that regional arrangements fully play their role in the peace and security architecture.

18. We recall paragraph 153 of the 2005 World Summit Outcome,<sup>13</sup> in which leaders resolved to support early reform of the Security Council as an essential element of overall efforts to reform the United Nations in order to make it more broadly representative, efficient and transparent and thus further enhance its effectiveness and the

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<sup>12</sup> Resolution 2625 (XXV), annex.

<sup>13</sup> Resolution 60/1.

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legitimacy and implementation of its decisions. We recognize that more than 70 per cent of the work of the Security Council is on African issues, and in this context we acknowledge the historical injustice against Africa with regard to its representation in the Security Council and express support for increased and enhanced representation for Africa in the reformed Security Council. We also take note of the African common position as reflected in the Ezulwini Consensus and the Sirte Declaration.

19. We underline the need to continue to take measures to strengthen the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa in order to enable it to effectively fulfil its mandate, including monitoring and reporting on progress related to meeting the special needs of Africa.

20. We encourage the United Nations Office to the African Union and the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations to continue their efforts to contribute to strengthening cooperation between the United Nations Secretariat and the African Union Commission, and underscore the importance of expediting the implementation, in close consultation with other international partners, of the 2006 United Nations–African Union Ten-year Capacity-building Programme for the African Union, focusing mainly on peace and security.

21. We commend Africa on its recent economic performance, which has sparked renewed optimism about the continent's prospects for development as an emerging centre of growth and a vibrant market. We underline in particular that the African continent has experienced unprecedented growth over the past decade and has been remarkably resilient to the global economic crisis.

22. We reaffirm that, despite recent considerable improvements, the special needs of the African continent, in line with the values and principles of the United Nations Millennium Declaration adopted by Heads of State and Government in September 2000<sup>14</sup> and as contained in the 2005 World Summit Outcome, have yet to be effectively addressed in order to achieve in a full and timely manner the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals. We further reaffirm our strong commitment to the ongoing discussions on sustainable development goals in the context of the post-2015 development agenda and emphasize that the development of these goals should not divert efforts to achieve the Millennium Development Goals.

23. We acknowledge the New Partnership for Africa's Development<sup>15</sup> as a blueprint for the economic uplifting of the African continent, and welcome with appreciation the substantial progress made by the African countries in fulfilling their commitments, in particular through the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme, the African Peer Review Mechanism, the African Union Presidential Infrastructure Champion Initiative, led by Member States and regional organizations in support of the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa, and the African Bioscience and Information Communication Technology Initiative. We also emphasize the need to integrate the implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development within the post-2015 sustainable development goals in order to promote sustainable growth and development and deepen democracy, human rights, good governance and sound economic management and gender equality.

24. We recognize that more attention should be given to Africa and the implementation of previously agreed commitments related to its development needs that were made at major United Nations summits and conferences, noting that progress is still lagging in implementing those commitments, and in this regard we underscore the key priority for the international community of supporting Africa's sustainable development efforts and stress the need to fully implement those internationally agreed commitments, particularly those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration, the United Nations Declaration on the New Partnership for Africa's Development,<sup>16</sup> the Monterrey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing for Development,<sup>17</sup> the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg Plan of Implementation),<sup>18</sup> the 2005 World Summit Outcome and the 2008 political declaration on Africa's development needs.<sup>19</sup>

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<sup>14</sup> Resolution 55/2.

<sup>15</sup> A/57/304, annex.

<sup>16</sup> Resolution 57/2.

<sup>17</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18–22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

<sup>18</sup> *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August–4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.

<sup>19</sup> Resolution 63/1.

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25. We stress that the eradication of poverty is among the greatest challenges facing the African continent today. We note with appreciation the efforts deployed by the African Union and the regional economic communities in the area of economic integration towards a vibrant Africa.

26. We call for the continued support of measures to address the challenges of poverty eradication, hunger, job creation and sustainable development in Africa, including debt relief, improved market access, support for the private sector and the development of entrepreneurship.

27. We reiterate our support for the transformation of African economies for the post-2015 development agenda, which reflects the priorities of the New Partnership for Africa's Development, and our strong faith in the Regional Coordination Mechanism for Africa. In this regard, we reaffirm our commitment to maintaining Africa among the highest priorities of the General Assembly.

28. We commit to supporting the consolidation of democracy and good governance in Africa. We welcome the remarkable progress that has been achieved in implementing the continent's self-assessment for improved good governance, the African Peer Review Mechanism, as it enters its tenth year, and encourage African States that have not yet done so to consider joining the Mechanism process.

29. We, Heads of State and Government, ministers and representatives of Member States and observers, in adopting the present political declaration, reaffirm our commitment to addressing the development needs of the African continent and reiterate our belief in a prosperous future for Africa in which the fundamental human values of dignity and peace are fully enshrined.

30. We congratulate the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session for this high-level meeting initiative, and the Chairperson of the African Union Commission for her valuable support and contribution to this high-level meeting.

### RESOLUTION 67/260

Adopted at the 75th plenary meeting, on 1 May 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.62, submitted by the President of the General Assembly

#### **67/260. Modalities, format and organization of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the appraisal of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 67/190 of 20 December 2012, in which it recalled its decision to conduct, in 2013, an appraisal of the progress achieved in the implementation of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons<sup>20</sup> and decided to convene, within existing resources, a high-level meeting of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session, no later than July 2013, in order to assess achievements, gaps and challenges, including in the implementation of the relevant legal instruments,

*Recalling also* its resolution 64/293 of 30 July 2010, by which it adopted the Global Plan of Action,

*Recalling further* its resolution 55/25 of 15 November 2000, by which it adopted the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime<sup>21</sup> and the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime,<sup>22</sup>

*Recalling* its decision in paragraph 13 of resolution 67/190 to determine the modalities of the high-level meeting, including the participation of international, regional and subregional organizations, as well as civil society, including non-governmental organizations, the private sector and the media, whose role is emphasized in the Global Plan of Action,

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<sup>20</sup> Resolution 64/293.

<sup>21</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2225, No. 39574.

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. 2237, No. 39574.

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1. *Decides* that the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the appraisal of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons<sup>20</sup> will be held on Monday, 13 May, and Tuesday, 14 May 2013, and will consist of an opening plenary meeting on 13 May from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., plenary meetings on 13 May from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on 14 May from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and a closing plenary meeting after the list of speakers has been exhausted, as well as two consecutive interactive panel discussions on 13 May in the afternoon;

2. *Also decides* that the opening plenary meeting will feature statements by the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General and the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime as well as an eminent person actively engaged in the fight against trafficking in persons and a representative, who may be a survivor, from a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, both of whom are to be identified by the President of the Assembly;

3. *Further decides* that the organizational arrangements for the interactive panel discussions to take place on Monday, 13 May 2013, in the afternoon and to be chaired by Member States at the invitation of the President of the General Assembly, after consultations with regional groups, will be as follows:

(a) Interactive panel discussion 1, which will take place from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., will address the theme “The Global Plan of Action, relevant legal instruments and effective partnerships to protect and assist victims of human trafficking”;

(b) Interactive panel discussion 2, which will take place from 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m., will address the theme “Sharing best practices and lessons learned for prevention and prosecution in the implementation of the Global Plan of Action and relevant legal instruments”;

(c) The Chairs of the interactive panel discussions will present summaries of the discussions at the closing plenary meeting, followed by final remarks by the President of the General Assembly;

(d) In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions, participation in each panel discussion will include Member States, observers, representatives of United Nations organizations and entities, and representatives of international, regional and subregional organizations, as well as of civil society, including non-governmental organizations, the private sector and the media;

4. *Recalls* its request in paragraph 14 of resolution 67/190 that the President of the General Assembly prepare a summary of the high-level meeting identifying achievements, gaps and challenges in the implementation of the Global Plan of Action and relevant legal instruments, and decides to bring the summary to the attention of relevant United Nations entities and other stakeholders;

5. *Invites* Member States, the Holy See and the State of Palestine, in their capacity as observer States, and the European Union, in its capacity as observer, to be represented at the highest possible level at the meeting;

6. *Encourages* Member States to consider including in their delegations to the high-level meeting representatives of civil society active in combating trafficking in persons and representatives of the private sector;

7. *Invites* all relevant United Nations entities and other relevant intergovernmental, regional and subregional organizations to participate in the high-level meeting;

8. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly to draw up a list of interested representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council who may participate in the high-level meeting;

9. *Also requests* the President of the General Assembly to draw up a list of representatives of other relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, the private sector and the media active in combating trafficking in persons, taking into account the principle of transparency and the principle of equitable geographical representation, and to submit the proposed list to Member States for their consideration on a non-objection basis and to bring the list to the attention of the Assembly;

10. *Further requests* the President of the General Assembly, in consultation with Member States, to finalize the organizational arrangements for the meetings, taking into account the duration of the meetings, the identification of the eminent person and the representative from a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council to speak at the opening plenary meeting and the identification of Chairs for the interactive panel discussions, bearing in mind the level of representation as well as equitable geographical representation;

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11. *Encourages* Member States, United Nations entities, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, private sector entities and other relevant stakeholders to consider supporting the participation of representatives from developing countries, including representatives of non-governmental organizations from those countries, in order to ensure the broadest possible participation, and requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures in this regard;

12. *Decides* that the proceedings of the high-level meeting shall be webcast;

13. *Encourages* Member States and other stakeholders to continue to contribute to the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund for Victims of Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, which was established by the Global Plan of Action.

### RESOLUTION 67/262

Adopted at the 80th plenary meeting, on 15 May 2013, by a recorded vote of 107 to 12, with 59 abstentions,\* on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.63 and Add.1, sponsored by: Albania, Andorra, Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Bulgaria, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Djibouti, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Latvia, Libya, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Maldives, Malta, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, Spain, Sweden, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Yemen

\* *In favour:* Afghanistan, Albania, Andorra, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Comoros, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Latvia, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Nauru, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Samoa, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tonga, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Vanuatu, Yemen

*Against:* Belarus, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), China, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Nicaragua, Russian Federation, Syrian Arab Republic, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Zimbabwe

*Abstaining:* Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Brazil, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Dominica, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Mali, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Paraguay, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Viet Nam, Zambia

#### 67/262. The situation in the Syrian Arab Republic

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 66/176 of 19 December 2011, 66/253 A of 16 February 2012, 66/253 B of 3 August 2012, and 67/183 of 20 December 2012 and Human Rights Council resolutions S-16/1 of 29 April 2011,<sup>23</sup> S-17/1 of 23 August 2011,<sup>23</sup> S-18/1 of 2 December 2011,<sup>24</sup> 19/1 of 1 March 2012,<sup>25</sup> 19/22 of 23 March 2012,<sup>25</sup> S-19/1 of 1 June 2012,<sup>26</sup> 20/22 of 6 July 2012,<sup>27</sup> 21/26 of 28 September 2012<sup>28</sup> and 22/24 of 22 March 2013,

<sup>23</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 53 (A/66/53)*, chap. I.

<sup>24</sup> *Ibid.*, *Supplement No. 53B* and corrigendum (A/66/53/Add.2 and Corr.1), chap. II.

<sup>25</sup> *Ibid.*, *Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 53* and corrigendum (A/67/53 and Corr.1), chap. III, sect. A.

<sup>26</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. V.

<sup>27</sup> *Ibid.*, chap. IV, sect. A.

<sup>28</sup> *Ibid.*, *Supplement No. 53A (A/67/53/Add.1)*, chap. III.

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*Recalling also* Security Council resolutions 2042 (2012) of 14 April 2012 and 2043 (2012) of 21 April 2012,

*Recalling further* all resolutions of the League of Arab States relating to the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic, in particular resolution 7595 of 6 March 2013, in which the League reviewed the very serious situation in the Syrian Arab Republic due to the escalating violence and killings in most of the Syrian territory, and the continuation of grave violations of human rights by the Syrian authorities using heavy weapons, warplanes and Scud missiles to bomb neighbourhoods and populated areas, which has seriously increased the number of victims, caused human displacement inside the Syrian Arab Republic and an influx to the neighbouring countries of thousands of Syrians fleeing violence, which targets children and women who have been subjected to frightful massacres, threatening thus to lead to the collapse of the Syrian State, and endangers the security, peace and stability of the region,

*Recalling* Organization of Islamic Cooperation resolution 2/4-EX (IS) of 15 August 2012 on the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic, in which the Organization called for the immediate implementation of the transitional plan and the development of a peaceful mechanism that would allow the building of a new Syrian State based on pluralism and a democratic and civilian system, where there would be equality on the basis of law, citizenship and fundamental freedoms,

*Expressing grave concern* at the continuing escalation of violence in the Syrian Arab Republic, in particular the continued widespread and systematic gross violations and abuses of human rights and violations of international humanitarian law, including those involving the continued use of heavy weapons and aerial bombardments, such as the indiscriminate use of ballistic missiles and cluster munitions, by the Syrian authorities against the Syrian population, and the failure of the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic to protect its population,

*Expressing outrage* at the rapidly increasing death toll of at least 70,000 casualties in the Syrian Arab Republic, as reported by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on 12 February 2013,<sup>29</sup>

*Recalling* the statements made by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights before the Human Rights Council and the Security Council that crimes against humanity are likely to have been committed in the Syrian Arab Republic, stressing that the Syrian authorities have failed to prosecute such serious violations, and noting the repeated encouragement by the High Commissioner for Human Rights to the Security Council to refer the situation to the International Criminal Court,

*Welcoming* the extension of the mandate of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, and deeply regretting the lack of cooperation of the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic with the commission, in particular the persistent denial of access of its members to the Syrian Arab Republic,

*Expressing concern* at the occurrence of grave violations against children in the Syrian Arab Republic, that children were among the victims of military operations carried out by Government forces, including the Syrian armed forces, intelligence forces and *shabbiha* militias, and that children were victims of killing and maiming, arbitrary arrest, detention, torture, ill-treatment and sexual violence, and were used as human shields and recruited and used in the conduct of hostilities in violation of international law, welcoming the intent of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict to pay a second visit to the region, demanding that all parties grant her full and unfettered access to all areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, and calling upon neighbouring countries to provide her with all necessary assistance,

*Expressing concern also* at the vulnerable situation of women in the Syrian Arab Republic, including being subjected to discrimination, sexual and other physical abuse, violation of their privacy and arbitrary arrest and detention in raids, including to force their male relatives to surrender, recalling that such acts of sexual and gender-based violence could amount to war crimes and crimes against humanity, underlining the importance of preventing all sexual violence and violence based on gender, and welcoming the intent of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict to visit the Syrian Arab Republic to investigate these violations and abuses,

*Deploring* the failure of the Syrian authorities to release all arbitrarily detained persons and grant access to detention centres to relevant humanitarian organizations with a view to ensuring the humane treatment of detainees,

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<sup>29</sup> See S/PV.6917.

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*Deploring also* the further deterioration of the humanitarian situation and the failure to ensure the safe and timely provision of humanitarian assistance to all areas affected by the fighting,

*Expressing deep concern* at the more than one million refugees and millions of internally displaced persons who have fled as a result of the extreme violence,

*Welcoming* the efforts by neighbouring countries and other countries in the region to host Syrian refugees, while acknowledging the socioeconomic consequences of the presence of large-scale refugee populations in these countries, notably Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Iraq and Egypt, and calling upon Member States, based on burden-sharing principles, to host the Syrian refugees in coordination with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees,

*Welcoming also* the contributions to humanitarian efforts already provided by Member States, notably by regional countries, and recalling the urgent need to provide financial support to the Syrian humanitarian response plan and the regional refugee response,

*Expressing its determination* to seek ways and means to provide protection to the Syrian civilian population,

*Expressing grave concern* at the threat by the Syrian authorities to use chemical or biological weapons and at allegations of reported use of such weapons, and welcoming the decision of the Secretary-General to investigate all allegations of their use in the Syrian Arab Republic,

*Stressing* that rapid progress on a political transition represents the best opportunity to resolve the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic peacefully, reaffirming its support for the engagement of the Secretary-General, the Joint Special Representative of the United Nations and the League of Arab States for Syria and all diplomatic efforts aimed at reaching a political solution to the crisis, reaffirming also the role of regional and subregional organizations in the maintenance of international peace and security as set out in Chapter VIII of the Charter of the United Nations, and welcoming the relevant resolutions of the League of Arab States to address the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic,

*Recalling* all meetings of the Group of Friends of the Syrian People, in particular the fourth Ministerial Meeting, held in Marrakech, Morocco, on 12 December 2012, where the participants acknowledged the National Coalition for Syrian Revolutionary and Opposition Forces as the legitimate representative of the Syrian people,

*Reaffirming its strong commitment* to the sovereignty, independence, unity and territorial integrity of the Syrian Arab Republic and to the principles of the Charter,

*Recalling* that all Members of the United Nations shall refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State, or in any other manner inconsistent with the purposes of the United Nations,

*Reaffirming* the purposes and principles of the Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights<sup>30</sup> and relevant international human rights law, including the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,<sup>31</sup> and recalling the obligation of the Syrian Arab Republic to protect human rights and fundamental freedoms,

### **International humanitarian law and human rights**

1. *Strongly condemns* the continued escalation in the use by the Syrian authorities of heavy weapons, including indiscriminate shelling from tanks and aircraft, and the use of ballistic missiles and other indiscriminate weapons against population centres, as well as the use of cluster munitions;

2. *Strongly condemns also* all violations of international humanitarian law and the continued widespread and systematic gross violations of human rights and fundamental freedoms by the Syrian authorities and the Government-affiliated *shabbiha* militias, such as those involving the use of heavy weapons, aerial bombardments and other force against civilians, attacks on schools, hospitals and places of worship, massacres, arbitrary executions, extrajudicial killings, the killing and persecution of protestors, human rights defenders and journalists,

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<sup>30</sup> Resolution 217 A (III).

<sup>31</sup> See resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

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arbitrary detention, enforced disappearances, violations of the rights of the child, including the recruitment and use of children in the conduct of hostilities in violation of international law, unlawful interference with access to medical treatment, failure to respect and protect medical personnel, torture, systematic sexual violence, including rape in detention, and ill-treatment, including against children, as well as any human rights abuses or violations of international humanitarian law by anti-Government armed groups;

3. *Condemns* all violence, irrespective of where it comes from, and calls upon all parties to immediately put an end to all forms of violence, including terrorist acts and acts of violence or intimidation that may foment sectarian tensions, and to comply strictly with their obligations under international law, including international humanitarian law;

4. *Demands* that all parties immediately put an end to all violations of international humanitarian law, including those involving attacks against civilians, also demands that the Syrian authorities immediately end all violations of international human rights law and meet their responsibility to protect the population and comply fully with their obligations under applicable international law, including international law applicable to the rights and protection of women and girls, and the Convention on the Rights of the Child,<sup>32</sup> calls upon all parties to the conflict to issue clear orders against sexual violence through their respective chains of command and to undertake investigations to hold perpetrators of sexual violence to account, also calls upon all parties to facilitate the immediate access for survivors of sexual violence to available services, and urges donors to support services that address the health, psychosocial and protection needs of survivors;

5. *Demands* that the Syrian authorities immediately release all persons arbitrarily detained, including the members of the Syrian Centre for Media and Freedom of Expression, publish a list of all detention facilities, ensure that conditions of detention comply with applicable international law, and immediately allow access of independent monitors to all detention facilities;

6. *Strongly condemns* the shelling as well as the shooting by the Syrian armed forces into neighbouring countries, which led to casualties and injuries of the civilians of those countries as well as of Syrian refugees, underlines that such incidents violated international law, stresses the grave threat of the crisis in the Syrian Arab Republic on the security of its neighbours and on regional peace and stability, as well as its grave implications for international peace and security, and calls upon the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic to respect the sovereignty of neighbouring States and meet its international obligations in this regard;

7. *Demands* that the Syrian authorities grant the independent international commission of inquiry and individuals working on its behalf immediate, full and unfettered entry and access to all areas of the Syrian Arab Republic, and also demands that all parties cooperate fully with the commission of inquiry in the performance of its mandate to investigate all alleged violations of international human rights law since March 2011, as well as with other United Nations special procedures, and invites the commission of inquiry to brief the General Assembly on the situation of human rights in the Syrian Arab Republic;

8. *Stresses again* the importance of ensuring accountability and the need to end impunity and hold to account all those responsible for serious violations of international humanitarian law and serious violations and abuses of international human rights law, including those that may amount to war crimes and crimes against humanity, as recommended by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights;

9. *Encourages* the Security Council to consider appropriate measures in this regard;

10. *Underlines* the importance that the Syrian people, on the basis of broad, inclusive and credible consultations, should determine, within the framework provided by international law and based upon the complementarity principle, the domestic process and mechanisms to achieve reconciliation, truth and accountability for gross violations, as well as reparations and effective remedies for the victims;

11. *Demands* that the Syrian authorities strictly observe their obligations under international law with respect to chemical and biological weapons, including Security Council resolution 1540 (2004) of 28 April 2004 and the Protocol for the Prohibition of the Use in War of Asphyxiating, Poisonous or Other Gases, and of Bacteriological Methods of Warfare, signed at Geneva on 17 June 1925,<sup>33</sup> and also demands that the Syrian

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<sup>32</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1577, No. 27531.

<sup>33</sup> League of Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. XCIV, No. 2138.

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authorities refrain from using or transferring to non-State actors any chemical and biological weapons or any related material, and that the Syrian authorities meet their obligations to account for and to secure all chemical and biological weapons and any related material;

12. *Also demands* that the Syrian authorities grant full and unfettered access to the investigation of the Secretary-General into all alleged uses of chemical weapons, and calls upon all parties to cooperate with the investigation;

### **Humanitarian situation**

13. *Deplores* the deteriorating humanitarian situation and the failure to ensure the safe and timely provision of humanitarian assistance to all areas affected by the fighting;

14. *Reiterates its call upon* the Syrian authorities to immediately and fully implement the agreed humanitarian response plan, and for all parties to the conflict to grant immediate, safe, full and unimpeded access of humanitarian personnel to all populations in need of assistance in all parts of the Syrian Arab Republic, in particular to medical facilities, and calls upon those parties to cooperate fully with the United Nations and relevant humanitarian organizations to facilitate the provision of humanitarian assistance through the most effective routes;

15. *Demands* that the Syrian authorities facilitate the access of humanitarian organizations to all people in need through the most effective routes, including by providing authorization for cross-border humanitarian operations as an urgent priority, and encourages all parties in the Syrian Arab Republic to facilitate the delivery of assistance in areas under their control, including across conflict lines, in order to implement fully the humanitarian response plan;

16. *Strongly condemns* all attacks and threats of violence against humanitarian and medical personnel and against medical facilities and vehicles, in violation of international law, and the use of medical civilian facilities, including hospitals, for armed purposes, and calls for all medical facilities to be free of weapons, including heavy weapons, consistent with applicable international law;

17. *Condemns* all attacks on, detentions of and threats of violence against United Nations personnel, and calls upon all parties in this regard to respect the human rights, privileges and immunities of United Nations and other personnel carrying out activities in fulfilment of the mandate of a United Nations operation;

18. *Expresses grave concern* at the increasing numbers of refugees and internally displaced persons as a result of the ongoing violence, which could undermine the capacities of the neighbouring countries to provide Syrian refugees with adequate humanitarian needs;

19. *Reiterates its appreciation* of the significant efforts that have been made by neighbouring countries and the countries of the region to assist those who have fled across the borders of the Syrian Arab Republic as a consequence of the violence, and urges all relevant United Nations agencies, in particular the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and other donors and humanitarian actors to provide urgent and coordinated support to Syrian refugees and their host countries;

20. *Welcomes* the hosting by the Government of Kuwait on 30 January 2013 of the pledging conference for the United Nations joint appeal;

21. *Requests* the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons, in cooperation with the Secretariat, to submit a written report to the General Assembly, within 90 days, on the very dire situation of internally displaced persons in the Syrian Arab Republic in terms of safety and their basic rights and livelihoods, and to provide recommendations with a view to meeting assistance and protection needs and strengthening the effectiveness of the international response to displacement;

22. *Urges* the international community to provide urgent financial support to the host countries to enable them to respond to the growing humanitarian needs of Syrian refugees and affected communities, and to consider addressing the refugee issue through appropriate means and measures, in accordance with the principle of burden-sharing;

23. *Urges* all donors to provide expeditiously financial support in the context of the humanitarian response plan and the regional refugee response plan to United Nations and international humanitarian organizations, as well as the host countries, so that they can implement more actively the humanitarian response plan inside the country;

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24. *Calls upon* Member States to provide all support to the Syrian people, and encourages Member States to contribute to the United Nations humanitarian response efforts;

### Political transition

25. *Reiterates its call for* an inclusive Syrian-led political transition to a democratic, pluralistic political system, in which citizens are equal regardless of their affiliations, ethnicities or beliefs, including through the commencement of a serious political dialogue between credible, empowered and mutually acceptable interlocutors representing the Syrian authorities and the Syrian opposition;

26. *Welcomes* the establishment of the National Coalition for Syrian Revolutionary and Opposition Forces on 11 November 2012 in Doha as effective representative interlocutors needed for a political transition, as well as its commitment, expressed in its communiqués dated 15 and 23 February 2013 and 20 April 2013, to the principle of a political transition leading to a civil, democratic and pluralistic Syrian Arab Republic, where all citizens are equal regardless of gender, religion or ethnicity, and notes the wide international acknowledgement, notably at the fourth Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Friends of the Syrian People, of the Coalition as the legitimate representative of the Syrian people;

27. *Also welcomes* the efforts of the League of Arab States towards a political resolution of the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic, and its relevant resolutions in this regard;

28. *Reaffirms its support for* the mission of the Joint Special Representative of the United Nations and the League of Arab States for Syria, and demands in this regard that all Syrian parties work with his office to implement rapidly the transition plan set forth in the final communiqué issued by the Action Group for Syria on 30 June 2012,<sup>34</sup> in a way that assures the safety of all in an atmosphere of stability and calm, provides for clear and irreversible steps in the transition according to a fixed time frame and establishes a consensus transitional governing body with full executive powers to which all functions of the presidency and Government are transferred, including those pertaining to military, security and intelligence issues, as well as a review of the constitution on the basis of an inclusive national dialogue and free and fair multiparty elections held in the framework of this new constitutional order;

29. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide support and assistance for the implementation of the transition plan set forth in the final communiqué of the Action Group for Syria, and encourages Member States to provide active diplomatic support in this regard;

30. *Requests* that the Secretary-General, working in close coordination with international financial institutions, relevant regional and international organizations, including the League of Arab States, other relevant international actors and Syrian representatives, initiate planning to provide support and assistance to Syrian-led transition and be granted appropriate resources in this regard;

31. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report within 30 days on the implementation of the present resolution.

### RESOLUTION 67/263

Adopted at the 82nd plenary meeting, on 17 May 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.65 and Add.1, sponsored by: Afghanistan, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Colombia, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Seychelles, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Tajikistan, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uzbekistan

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<sup>34</sup> A/66/865-S/2012/522, annex.

**67/263. Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 63/210 of 19 December 2008,

*Recalling also* the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled “The future we want”,<sup>35</sup>

*Bearing in mind* the growing role of the transit of energy in global processes,

*Recognizing* the important role of transportation hubs for the reliable and stable transit of energy to international markets,

*Noting* that stable, efficient and reliable energy transportation, as a key factor of sustainable development, is in the interest of the entire international community,

*Welcoming* efforts at the national, bilateral, subregional, regional and international levels in building energy transportation systems and facilitating the trade of energy resources to promote sustainable development,

*Recognizing* the importance of addressing the special needs of landlocked developing countries, inter alia, by establishing and promoting efficient transit transportation systems that link them to the international markets, and in this regard reaffirming that the Almaty Programme of Action: Addressing the Special Needs of Landlocked Developing Countries within a New Global Framework for Transit Transport Cooperation for Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries<sup>36</sup> constitutes a fundamental framework for genuine partnerships between landlocked and transit developing countries and their development partners at the national, bilateral, subregional, regional and global levels,

*Reiterating* the principles of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development<sup>37</sup> and of Agenda 21,<sup>38</sup> and recalling the recommendations and conclusions contained in the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg Plan of Implementation)<sup>39</sup> concerning energy for sustainable development,

*Noting* the outcome of the High-level Conference on Reliable and Stable Transit of Energy and its Role in Ensuring Sustainable Development and International Cooperation, held in Ashgabat on 23 April 2009,

*Noting also* the launching of the Sustainable Energy for All initiative of the Secretary-General, which focuses on access to energy, energy efficiency and renewable energies, as well as the decision of the General Assembly to declare the decade 2014–2024 the United Nations Decade of Sustainable Energy for All,<sup>40</sup>

1. *Recognizes* the need for extensive international cooperation for promoting the reliable transportation of energy to international markets through pipelines and other transportation systems;
2. *Welcomes* the proposal of the Government of Turkmenistan to host an international meeting of experts early in 2014 to follow up on the High-level Conference on Reliable and Stable Transit of Energy and its Role in Ensuring Sustainable Development and International Cooperation;
3. *Invites* the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member States and relevant entities of the United Nations system, including regional commissions, on issues relating to the reliable and stable transit of energy, as well as on possible modalities for international cooperation, and to communicate such views in a summary report of the Secretariat to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session for further consideration.

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<sup>35</sup> Resolution 66/288, annex.

<sup>36</sup> *Report of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation, Almaty, Kazakhstan, 28 and 29 August 2003* (A/CONF.202/3), annex I.

<sup>37</sup> *Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3–14 June 1992*, vol. I, *Resolutions Adopted by the Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigendum), resolution 1, annex I.

<sup>38</sup> *Ibid.*, annex II.

<sup>39</sup> *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August–4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.

<sup>40</sup> See resolution 67/215.

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### **67/264. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 37/4 of 22 October 1982, 38/4 of 28 October 1983, 39/7 of 8 November 1984, 40/4 of 25 October 1985, 41/3 of 16 October 1986, 42/4 of 15 October 1987, 43/2 of 17 October 1988, 44/8 of 18 October 1989, 45/9 of 25 October 1990, 46/13 of 28 October 1991, 47/18 of 23 November 1992, 48/24 of 24 November 1993, 49/15 of 15 November 1994, 50/17 of 20 November 1995, 51/18 of 14 November 1996, 52/4 of 22 October 1997, 53/16 of 29 October 1998, 54/7 of 25 October 1999, 55/9 of 30 October 2000, 56/47 of 7 December 2001, 57/42 of 21 November 2002, 59/8 of 22 October 2004, 61/49 of 4 December 2006, 63/114 of 5 December 2008 and 65/140 of 16 December 2010,

*Recalling also* its resolution 3369 (XXX) of 10 October 1975, by which it decided to invite the Organization of the Islamic Conference<sup>41</sup> to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly and of its subsidiary organs in the capacity of observer,

*Welcoming* the efforts of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, which have been undertaken in coordination with the United Nations and in full respect of the Charter of the United Nations, in strengthening its role in conflict prevention, confidence-building, peacekeeping, conflict resolution and post-conflict rehabilitation, mediation and preventive diplomacy, including conflict situations involving Muslim communities,

*Noting* the adoption by the Islamic Summit Conference at its third extraordinary session, held in Mecca, Saudi Arabia, on 7 and 8 December 2005, of the Ten-year Programme of Action to Meet the Challenges Facing the Muslim Ummah in the Twenty-first Century<sup>42</sup> and the adoption on 14 March 2008 by the Islamic Summit Conference at its eleventh session, held in Dakar on 13 and 14 March 2008, of the amended Charter of the Organization of the Islamic Conference,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations,<sup>43</sup>

*Taking into account* the desire of the two organizations to continue to cooperate closely in the political, economic, social, humanitarian, cultural and scientific fields and in their common search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, the promotion of a culture of peace through dialogue and cooperation, decolonization, fundamental human rights, economic and social development, and combating international terrorism,

*Recalling* the Articles of the Charter of the United Nations that encourage activities through regional cooperation for the promotion of the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

*Noting* that the Secretary-General, in his report, recognized the strengthening of practical cooperation and the building of complementarity between the United Nations, its specialized agencies, funds and programmes and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, its subsidiary organs and its specialized and affiliated institutions,

*Noting also* the encouraging progress made in the 10 priority areas of cooperation between the two organizations and their respective agencies and institutions, as well as in the identification of other areas of cooperation between them,

*Noting further* that the Secretaries-General of the two organizations have met regularly and that consultations among senior officials of the two organizations have enhanced cooperation,

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<sup>41</sup> On 28 June 2011, the Organization of the Islamic Conference changed its name to the Organization of Islamic Cooperation.

<sup>42</sup> A/60/633-S/2005/826, annex III.

<sup>43</sup> A/67/280-S/2012/614.

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*Convinced* that the strengthening of cooperation between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its organs and institutions contributes to the promotion of the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

*Taking note* of the results of the general meeting of the organizations and agencies of the United Nations system and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its subsidiary organs and specialized and affiliated institutions, held in Geneva from 1 to 3 May 2012, to review and appraise the level of cooperation in the fields of international peace and security, science and technology, trade and development, implementation of the Millennium Development Goals, protection of and assistance to refugees, human rights, human resource development, food security and agriculture, environment, health and population, arts and crafts, and the promotion of heritage, and of the fact that these meetings are now being held every two years, with the next one scheduled for 2014,

*Taking into account* the strengthened spirit of cooperation reflected in the agreement on a matrix of activities within the framework of United Nations-Organization of Islamic Cooperation collaboration, to be implemented over the next biennium,

*Recalling* that the Organization of Islamic Cooperation remains an important partner of the United Nations in peace, security and the fostering of a culture of peace at the global level, and noting various decisions reached by the two sides, including the agreement to continue cooperation in conflict prevention and resolution, mediation, peacekeeping and peacebuilding, combating international terrorism, fighting extremism, countering religious intolerance, including Islamophobia, promoting and protecting all human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, humanitarian assistance and capacity-building in electoral assistance, and the agreement to improve the follow-up mechanism,

*Noting* the joint Organization of Islamic Cooperation-United Nations-Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe consultative session on consolidating the role of mediation, held on 3 and 4 April 2012, hosted by the Organization of Islamic Cooperation at its secretariat in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, and attended by senior officials from prominent regional and international organizations,

*Noting also* the commitment of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to building capacities in the field of conflict prevention and resolution as well as preventive diplomacy through training sessions and workshops delivered by experts and organizations specializing in that field,

*Noting further* the contribution of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in promoting intercultural dialogue and understanding within the framework of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations and other initiatives in this regard,

*Welcoming* the initiatives for interfaith dialogue undertaken by the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the United Nations, as well as their member States, including the establishment of the King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue in Vienna, and emphasizing the importance of engaging relevant United Nations agencies in promoting interfaith dialogue and other related activities,

*Noting* the establishment of the Independent Permanent Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the adoption of its statute, and recognizing the need for enhanced cooperation and exchange between the Permanent Commission and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights,

*Noting also* the adoption by the Organization of Islamic Cooperation of its Plan of Action for the Advancement of Women and the establishment of the Department of Family Affairs at its General Secretariat to deal specifically with issues concerning women and children, and underscoring cooperation between the Department and relevant United Nations agencies, including the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women),

*Noting with appreciation* the close and multifaceted cooperation between the specialized agencies of the United Nations and the specialized and affiliated institutions of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation with a view to strengthening the capacities of the two organizations in addressing challenges to development and social progress, including ongoing cooperation between the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the World Health Organization, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Children's Fund on health issues, as well as discussions between the United Nations Children's Fund and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on formalizing their partnership through specific initiatives linked to the Millennium Development Goals, as part of the organization's Ten-year Programme of Action to Meet the Challenges Facing the Muslim Ummah in the Twenty-first Century,

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*Welcoming* the existing cooperation between the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat, including dialogue between the two entities on reaching out to non-governmental organizations and other humanitarian actors in States members of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, as well as participation in joint activities and events and information-sharing, with a view to furthering proactive engagement and implementing concrete programmes in the areas of capacity-building, emergency assistance and strategic partnerships,

*Having considered* the one-year partnership programme of the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, aimed at enhancing their cooperation and exchange of experiences in the area of mediation and at strengthening the operational capacity of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation,

*Welcoming* the decision taken by the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation at the latest general meeting of the organizations and agencies of the United Nations system and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to co-organize an event, in 2013, on Security Council resolution 1624 (2005) of 14 September 2005,

*Noting* the request of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation for greater interaction between the secretariats of the United Nations and the organization extending beyond the current biennial arrangement so as to include periodic reviews of cooperation, in the light of the expanding areas of cooperation between the two organizations,

*Noting with appreciation* the determination of the two organizations to further strengthen the existing cooperation by developing specific proposals in the designated priority areas of cooperation, as well as in the political field,

1. *Takes note with satisfaction* of the report of the Secretary-General;<sup>43</sup>
2. *Urges* the United Nations system to cooperate with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in areas of mutual interest, as appropriate;
3. *Notes with satisfaction* the active participation of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in the work of the United Nations towards the realization of the purposes and principles embodied in the Charter of the United Nations;
4. *Affirms* that the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation share a common goal of promoting and facilitating the Middle East peace process so that the process can reach its objective of establishing a just and comprehensive peace in the Middle East;
5. *Requests* the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to continue to cooperate in their common search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, promotion of a culture of peace through dialogue and cooperation, decolonization, human rights and fundamental freedoms, combating international terrorism, capacity-building, health-related issues such as combating pandemic and endemic diseases, protection of the environment, climate change, emergency relief and rehabilitation and technical cooperation;
6. *Welcomes* the cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation towards combating intolerance and stigmatization of persons based on their religion or belief, recognizes the strong need for global awareness about religious intolerance, condemns any advocacy of religious hatred that constitutes incitement to discrimination, hostility or violence, and welcomes cooperation towards addressing the issue with all urgency;
7. *Invites* increased cooperation and exchanges between the Independent Permanent Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights;
8. *Requests* the secretariats of the two organizations to strengthen cooperation in addressing the social and economic issues that affect the efforts of Member States to eradicate poverty, achieve sustainable development and realize the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals;
9. *Welcomes* the efforts of the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to continue to strengthen cooperation between the two organizations in areas of common concern and to review and explore innovative ways and means of enhancing the mechanisms of such cooperation through the recent establishment of a working group;

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10. *Also welcomes* the cooperation between the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation hosted by the United Nations Development Programme and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its specialized and affiliated institutions in promoting South-South cooperation in areas of common interest;

11. *Encourages* the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, as well as their subsidiary, specialized and affiliated institutions, to intensify actions in creating bilateral frameworks for cooperation in the area of human and industrial capacity development, trade promotion, transportation and tourism;

12. *Invites* the United Nations system to cooperate with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its member States in their efforts to implement the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals;

13. *Welcomes with appreciation* the continuing cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in the fields of peacemaking, preventive diplomacy, peacekeeping and peacebuilding, and notes the close cooperation between the two organizations in reconstruction and development in Afghanistan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Sierra Leone and Somalia;

14. *Appreciates* the hosting by the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, at its General Secretariat in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on 3 March 2011, of the tenth meeting of the International Contact Group on Afghanistan, and calls for closer cooperation in the field between the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the United Nations agencies;

15. *Welcomes* the efforts of the secretariats of the two organizations to strengthen information exchange, coordination and cooperation between them in areas of mutual interest in the political field and to develop practical modalities for such cooperation;

16. *Notes with satisfaction* the increasing cooperation between the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, which was marked by the opening of the representation office of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation at the headquarters of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in Paris;

17. *Welcomes* the visit of the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the headquarters of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in Jeddah in June 2012 and his commitment to reinforce cooperation in areas of common interest between the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the United Nations, also welcomes the periodic high-level meetings between the Secretaries-General of the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, as well as between senior secretariat officials of the two organizations, and encourages their participation in important meetings of the two organizations;

18. *Encourages* the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to continue to expand their cooperation with the subsidiary organs and specialized and affiliated institutions of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, particularly in the fields of science and technology, higher education, health and environment, by negotiating cooperation agreements and through necessary contacts and meetings of the respective focal points for cooperation in priority areas of interest to the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation;

19. *Invites* the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system, especially the lead agencies, to consider providing increased technical and other forms of assistance to the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its subsidiary organs and specialized and affiliated institutions in order to strengthen their capacities for cooperation;

20. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for his continued efforts to strengthen cooperation and coordination between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its subsidiary organs and specialized and affiliated institutions to serve the mutual interests of the two organizations in the political, economic, social, cultural, humanitarian and scientific fields;

21. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session on the state of cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation;

22. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation".

**RESOLUTION 67/265**

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**67/265. Self-determination of French Polynesia**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the Charter of the United Nations, its resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960 containing the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples and its resolution 1541 (XV) of 15 December 1960,

*Taking into account* articles 3 and 4 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples<sup>44</sup> regarding the right of self-determination and the recommendation of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues at its eleventh session on the implementation of basic fundamental human rights articulated in the Declaration, particularly the right to self-determination,<sup>45</sup>

*Taking note* of the resolution of the Assembly of French Polynesia, adopted in Papeete, Tahiti, on 18 August 2011, in which it expressed its will that French Polynesia be reinscribed on the United Nations list of Non-Self-Governing Territories, and the decision taken by the Council of Ministers of the Government of French Polynesia on 15 June 2011 to call for the reinscription,

*Welcoming* the decision of the Heads of State or Government of Pacific States taken at the second “Engaging with the Pacific” regional meeting, held in Nadi, Fiji, on 1 and 2 September 2011, to support the reinscription of French Polynesia on the United Nations list of Non-Self-Governing Territories,

*Taking note* of the communiqué of the second Polynesian Leaders Group meeting, held in Rarotonga, Cook Islands, on 25 August 2012, in which the Group affirmed its support for the reinscription of French Polynesia on the United Nations list of Non-Self-Governing Territories,

*Welcoming* the decisions of the Pacific Islands Forum, taken at its meetings held in Apia, from 5 to 7 August 2004, Auckland, New Zealand, on 7 and 8 September 2011, and Rarotonga, Cook Islands, from 28 to 30 August 2012, to support the principle of the right to self-determination of the people of French Polynesia,

*Welcoming also* the Final Document of the Sixteenth Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries,<sup>46</sup> held in Tehran from 26 to 31 August 2012, affirming the inalienable right of the people of French Polynesia to self-determination in accordance with Chapter XI of the Charter and General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV),

*Recalling* that French Polynesia, as the former French Establishments in Oceania, was originally considered a Non-Self-Governing Territory in General Assembly resolution 66 (I) of 14 December 1946, and noting that the Government of France has not transmitted any further information regarding French Polynesia since 1946,

1. *Affirms* the inalienable right of the people of French Polynesia to self-determination and independence in accordance with Chapter XI of the Charter of the United Nations and General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV), recognizes that French Polynesia remains a Non-Self-Governing Territory within the meaning of the Charter, and declares that an obligation exists under Article 73 *e* of the Charter on the part of the Government of France, as the administering Power of the Territory, to transmit information on French Polynesia;

2. *Requests* the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples to consider the question of French Polynesia at its next session and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session;

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<sup>44</sup> Resolution 61/295, annex.

<sup>45</sup> E/2012/43, para. 39.

<sup>46</sup> A/67/506-S/2012/752, annex I.

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3. *Requests* the Government of France, as the Administering Power concerned, to intensify its dialogue with French Polynesia in order to facilitate rapid progress towards a fair and effective self-determination process, under which the terms and timelines for an act of self-determination will be agreed, and to extend its cooperation to the Special Committee in the implementation of the present resolution.

### RESOLUTION 67/266

Adopted at the 82nd plenary meeting, on 17 May 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.64 and Add.1, as orally revised, sponsored by: Angola, Argentina, Benin, Brazil, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Congo, Gabon, Guinea-Bissau, Montenegro, Namibia, Nigeria, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Spain, Togo, Turkey, Uruguay

#### **67/266. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 41/11 of 27 October 1986, in which the Atlantic Ocean, in the region situated between Africa and South America, was solemnly declared a zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic,

*Recalling also* its subsequent resolutions on the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic,

*Reaffirming* that the questions of peace and security and those of development are interrelated and inseparable, and considering that cooperation among States, in particular those of the region, for peace and development is essential for the promotion of the objectives of the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic,

*Reaffirming also* the importance of the purposes and objectives of the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic as a basis for the promotion of cooperation among the States of the region,

*Noting with appreciation* the commitment of Member States towards fulfilling the goals of the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic and their engagement in its revitalization through a number of initiatives, as reaffirmed during the seventh ministerial meeting of the zone, held in Montevideo on 15 and 16 January 2013, and building on the Luanda Initiative,

*Recalling* its relevant resolutions, in which it urged States of the region to continue their actions aimed at fulfilling the objectives of the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic, especially through the implementation of specific programmes,

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>47</sup>

1. *Stresses* the role of the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic as a forum for increased interaction and support among its member States;

2. *Welcomes* the holding of the seventh ministerial meeting of the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic, and takes note of the adoption of the Montevideo Declaration<sup>48</sup> and the Montevideo Plan of Action,<sup>49</sup>

3. *Calls upon* States to cooperate in the promotion of the objectives of peace and cooperation established in resolution 41/11 and reiterated in the Montevideo Declaration and the Montevideo Plan of Action;

4. *Requests* the relevant organizations, organs and bodies of the United Nations system, and invites relevant partners, including international financial institutions, to render all appropriate assistance that States members of the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic may seek in their joint efforts to implement the Montevideo Plan of Action;

5. *Encourages* the convening of ministerial meetings on a biennial basis, as well as annual meetings on the sidelines of the General Assembly, and the establishment of a follow-up mechanism, as decided in the Montevideo Declaration;

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<sup>47</sup> A/67/802.

<sup>48</sup> A/67/746, annex I.

<sup>49</sup> Ibid., annex II.

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6. *Welcomes* the presentation during the seventh ministerial meeting of a number of bilateral cooperation programmes which complement the efforts aimed at enhancing cooperation within the zone;

7. *Also welcomes* the offer by the Government of Cape Verde to host the eighth ministerial meeting of the States members of the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic in 2015;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep the implementation of resolution 41/11 and subsequent resolutions on the zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic under review and to submit a report to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session, taking into account, inter alia, the views expressed by Member States;

9. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session the item entitled “Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic”.

### RESOLUTION 67/267

Adopted at the 82nd plenary meeting, on 17 May 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.60 and Add.1, sponsored by: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Belgium, Belize, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Mexico, Montenegro, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Palau, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay

#### **67/267. International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its relevant resolutions on the situation in Central America, in particular resolution 65/181 of 20 December 2010 regarding the activities of the International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala, created as a result of the Agreement between the United Nations and the State of Guatemala, which entered into force on 4 September 2007,

*Bearing in mind* that the Commission has carried out its activities through voluntary contributions of Member States and other donors from the international community and that the Government of Guatemala has provided additional budgetary allotments to State institutions to support their work in collaboration with the Commission,

*Recalling* that in paragraph 4 of resolution 65/181 the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to periodically keep the Assembly apprised of the work of the Commission,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the letter dated 20 March 2013 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly<sup>50</sup> regarding the new developments relating to the International Commission against Impunity in Guatemala, particularly the request of the Government of Guatemala to extend its mandate for a final two years, until 3 September 2015;

2. *Calls upon* the Government of Guatemala to continue providing all the support necessary to consolidate the achievements and overcome the challenges facing the work of the Commission as well as to redouble its efforts to strengthen the institutions that buttress the rule of law and the defence of human rights in Guatemala;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States and other donors that have supported the Commission, through voluntary contributions, financial and in kind, and urges them to continue their support;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to periodically keep the General Assembly apprised of the work of the Commission and the implementation of the present resolution.

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<sup>50</sup> A/67/814.

**RESOLUTION 67/268**

Adopted at the 86th plenary meeting, on 13 June 2013, by a recorded vote of 62 to 16, with 84 abstentions,\* on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.68, sponsored by Georgia

\* *In favour:* Albania, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Belgium, Belize, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burundi, Canada, Central African Republic, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominica, Estonia, Finland, France, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Maldives, Malta, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, Spain, Sweden, Tuvalu, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Vanuatu

*Against:* Armenia, Belarus, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar, Nauru, Nicaragua, Russian Federation, Serbia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam, Zimbabwe

*Abstaining:* Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nepal, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Seychelles, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Suriname, Swaziland, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay, Yemen, Zambia

**67/268. Status of internally displaced persons and refugees from Abkhazia, Georgia, and the Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia, Georgia**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its relevant resolutions on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons, including its resolutions 62/153 of 18 December 2007, 62/249 of 15 May 2008, 63/307 of 9 September 2009, 64/162 of 18 December 2009, 64/296 of 7 September 2010, 65/287 of 29 June 2011, 66/165 of 19 December 2011 and 66/283 of 3 July 2012,

*Recalling also* all relevant Security Council resolutions on Georgia relating to the need for all parties to work towards a comprehensive peace and the return of internally displaced persons and refugees to their places of origin, and stressing the importance of their full and timely implementation,

*Recognizing* the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement<sup>51</sup> as the key international framework for the protection of internally displaced persons,

*Concerned* by forced demographic changes resulting from conflicts in Georgia,

*Concerned also* by the humanitarian situation caused by armed conflict in August 2008, which resulted in the further forced displacement of civilians,

*Mindful* of the urgent need to find a solution to the problems related to forced displacement in Georgia,

*Underlining* the importance of the discussions that commenced in Geneva on 15 October 2008 and of continuing to address the issue of the voluntary, safe, dignified and unhindered return of internally displaced persons and refugees on the basis of internationally recognized principles and conflict-settlement practices,

*Taking note* of the report of the Secretary-General concerning the implementation of resolution 66/283,<sup>52</sup>

1. *Recognizes* the right of return of all internally displaced persons and refugees and their descendants, regardless of ethnicity, to their homes throughout Georgia, including in Abkhazia and the Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia;

2. *Stresses* the need to respect the property rights of all internally displaced persons and refugees affected by the conflicts in Georgia and to refrain from obtaining property in violation of those rights;

<sup>51</sup> E/CN.4/1998/53/Add.2, annex.

<sup>52</sup> A/67/869.

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3. *Reaffirms* the unacceptability of forced demographic changes;
4. *Underlines* the urgent need for unimpeded access for humanitarian activities to all internally displaced persons, refugees and other persons residing in all conflict-affected areas throughout Georgia;
5. *Calls upon* all participants in the Geneva discussions to intensify their efforts to establish a durable peace, to commit to enhanced confidence-building measures and to take immediate steps to ensure respect for human rights and create favourable security conditions conducive to the voluntary, safe, dignified and unhindered return of all internally displaced persons and refugees to their places of origin;
6. *Underlines* the need for the development of a timetable to ensure the voluntary, safe, dignified and unhindered return of all internally displaced persons and refugees affected by the conflicts in Georgia to their homes;
7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session a comprehensive report on the implementation of the present resolution;
8. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development".

### RESOLUTION 67/289

Adopted at the 91st plenary meeting, on 9 July 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.73 and Add.1, sponsored by: Albania, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Barbados, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay, Viet Nam

#### **67/289. The United Nations in global economic governance**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 65/94 of 8 December 2010 and 66/256 of 16 March 2012,

*Reaffirming its respect* for the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Acknowledging* the vital importance of an inclusive, transparent and effective multilateral system in order to better address the urgent global challenges of today, recognizing the universality of the United Nations, and reaffirming its commitment to promote and strengthen the effectiveness and efficiency of the United Nations system,

*Reaffirming* the role and authority of the General Assembly on global matters of concern to the international community, as set out in the Charter,

*Acknowledging* that the United Nations, particularly the General Assembly, provides a universal and inclusive multilateral forum which confers incomparable value to its discussions and its decisions on global matters of concern to the international community,

*Recalling* the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development and its outcome document, entitled "The future we want",<sup>53</sup> and all major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social, environmental and related fields for the promotion of sustainable development and their outcomes and follow-up processes, in particular the International Conference on Financing for Development, the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and the Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development,

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<sup>53</sup> Resolution 66/288, annex.

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*Recognizing* the importance of effective global economic governance in order to achieve the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and reiterating its commitment to strengthen efforts to achieve those goals by 2015,

*Recognizing also* the need to deal with interconnected socioeconomic challenges, promote sustained, inclusive and equitable growth and sustainable development and strengthen mechanisms that reduce inequalities,

*Acknowledging* that global economic governance in an increasingly interconnected world is of critical importance for the success of national efforts for achieving sustainable development in all countries, and that, while efforts have been made over the years, there remains the need to continue improving global economic governance and to strengthen the role of the United Nations in this regard,

*Recognizing* the role of the regional commissions and the regional and subregional development banks in supporting policy dialogue among countries at the regional level on macroeconomic, financial, trade and development issues and the importance of other regional, interregional and subregional initiatives and arrangements, including integration processes, aimed at promoting development and cooperation among their members,

*Noting* the critical importance of the ongoing efforts of multilateral institutions, particularly those of the United Nations system, to find common solutions to global challenges and the relevance of intergovernmental groupings that make policy recommendations or take policy decisions with global implications, and recognizing the benefits derived from increased interaction with those groupings, with a view to promoting transparency and coherence and strengthening mutual understanding and cooperation in matters of global economic governance,

*Welcoming* the holding of the informal thematic debate on “The United Nations and global economic governance” organized by the President of the General Assembly on 15 April 2013 and the informal thematic debate on “The United Nations in global economic governance” organized by the President of the Economic and Social Council on 16 May 2013, and noting the views expressed therein by all participants, including the representatives of Member States and other high-level participants,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General on global economic governance and development,<sup>54</sup>

2. *Reiterates* the need for inclusive, transparent and effective multilateral approaches to managing global challenges, and in this regard reaffirms the central role of the United Nations system in ongoing efforts to find common solutions to such challenges;

3. *Recognizes* the important role of the United Nations in providing an intergovernmental forum, including through international conferences and summits, for universal dialogue and consensus on global challenges, with the participation of relevant stakeholders, including from the private sector, civil society and academia;

4. *Reaffirms* the central position of the General Assembly as the chief deliberative, policymaking and representative organ of the United Nations, as well as the role of the Assembly in global matters of concern to the international community, as set out in the Charter of the United Nations;

5. *Also reaffirms* that the Economic and Social Council is a principal body for policy review, policy dialogue and recommendations on issues of economic and social development and for the follow-up to the Millennium Development Goals and a central mechanism for the coordination of the United Nations system by strengthening system-wide coherence and as a principal body in the integrated and coordinated follow-up of the outcomes of all major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social, environmental and related fields, and stresses the importance of the substantive discussions of the special high-level meetings of the Council with the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and of the participation of civil society, the private sector and other relevant stakeholders;

6. *Stresses*, in this context, the positive contribution to more effective global economic governance of the ongoing processes of revitalization of the General Assembly and strengthening of the Economic and Social Council;

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7. *Reaffirms* the value of multilateralism to the global trading system and the commitment to achieving a universal, rules-based, open, non-discriminatory and equitable multilateral trading system that contributes to growth, sustainable development and employment generation in all sectors, and emphasizes that bilateral and regional trading arrangements should contribute and be complementary to the goals of the multilateral trading system;

8. *Expresses serious concern* at the lack of progress in the Doha Round of World Trade Organization negotiations, reiterates the call for the necessary flexibility and political will in order to break the current impasse in the negotiations, and in this regard calls for a balanced, ambitious, comprehensive and development-oriented outcome of the Doha Development Agenda multilateral trade negotiations, in keeping with the development mandate of the Doha Round Ministerial Declaration,<sup>55</sup> the decision of 1 August 2004 of the General Council of the World Trade Organization and the Hong Kong Ministerial Declaration adopted by the World Trade Organization in 2005;

9. *Recognizes* the need to continue to enhance the coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems and the importance of ensuring their openness, fairness and inclusiveness as complements to national development efforts to ensure sustained, inclusive and equitable economic growth and the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals;

10. *Stresses* that the financial and economic crisis has highlighted the need for reform as well as added new impetus to ongoing international discussions on the reform of the international financial system and architecture, encourages in this regard continued open, inclusive and transparent dialogue, and notes the important efforts undertaken nationally, regionally and internationally to respond to the challenges posed by the financial and economic crisis;

11. *Reaffirms* the importance of broadening and strengthening the participation of developing countries in international economic decision-making and norm-setting, notes in this regard the important steps taken on the reform of the governance structures, quotas and voting rights of the Bretton Woods institutions, which go in the direction of better reflecting current realities and enhancing the voice, the participation and the voting rights of developing countries, and recognizes the importance of continuing such reform processes in an ambitious and expeditious manner in order to deliver more effective, credible, accountable and legitimate institutions;

12. *Recognizes* the importance and benefits of continuing interaction among the United Nations, in particular the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, and international and regional forums, organizations and groups dealing with global matters of concern to the international community, as appropriate, and underlines in this context the importance of flexible and regular interaction between the United Nations and intergovernmental groupings that make policy recommendations or take policy decisions with global implications, including the Group of 20;

13. *Welcomes* the practice of informal engagement between the United Nations and intergovernmental groupings that make policy recommendations or take policy decisions with global implications, including the Group of 20, through informal briefings organized at the initiative of the President of the General Assembly, and in this regard invites the President to continue this practice by inviting appropriate representatives to an interactive dialogue with the membership of the Assembly in order to ensure continuity in their engagement, with a view to promoting transparency and coherence as well as strengthening mutual understanding and cooperation in matters of global economic governance;

14. *Recognizes* the importance of the interaction between the Secretary-General and the States members of the General Assembly regarding the participation of the Secretary-General in summits of intergovernmental groupings that make policy recommendations or take policy decisions with global implications, including the summits of the Group of 20, and invites the President of the General Assembly to continue organizing informal meetings for that purpose;

15. *Reaffirms* the role of the United Nations in the promotion of international cooperation for development, and in this regard recognizes the role of the General Assembly and of the Economic and Social Council;

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<sup>55</sup> See A/C.2/56/7, annex.

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16. *Recognizes* that, in order to complement national development efforts, there is an urgent need to enhance the coherence, governance and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems, and in this regard underlines the importance of continuing to improve global economic governance and of strengthening the United Nations leadership role in promoting development;

17. *Reaffirms* the need to better incorporate regional and subregional organizations and arrangements into the framework of global governance, and to that end recognizes the importance of regional and subregional integration processes for economic governance and development, in pursuit of the purposes and principles of the United Nations, especially as such purposes and principles can effectively be pursued through regional and subregional action;

18. *Recognizes* the importance and benefits of a continuing interaction among the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations and arrangements dealing with global matters of concern to the international community, and encourages the United Nations system, and in particular the regional commissions, to support and cooperate with such regional and subregional processes in their efforts to promote sustainable development;

19. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-first session, under the item entitled “Strengthening of the United Nations system”, the sub-item entitled “Central role of the United Nations system in global governance”;

20. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session a report on the implementation of the present resolution, exploring options and ideas for continuing interaction between the United Nations and intergovernmental groupings, to be prepared in consultation with Member States and relevant organizations of the United Nations system, taking into account the post-2015 development agenda and the follow-up processes to all major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields, as appropriate;

21. *Invites* the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council to consider jointly organizing informal thematic debates on the subject of the present resolution, inviting the regional commissions, international financial and trade institutions and the Financial Stability Board, as well as representatives of civil society, academia, the private sector and other stakeholders, to contribute to such deliberations, as appropriate.

### RESOLUTION 67/290

Adopted at the 91st plenary meeting, on 9 July 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.72, submitted by the President of the General Assembly

#### **67/290. Format and organizational aspects of the high-level political forum on sustainable development**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 66/288 of 27 July 2012, by which it endorsed the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled “The future we want”,

*Emphasizing* the need for an improved and more effective institutional framework for sustainable development, which should be guided by the specific functions required and mandates involved; address the shortcomings of the current system; take into account all relevant implications; promote synergies and coherence; seek to avoid duplication and eliminate unnecessary overlaps within the United Nations system and reduce administrative burdens and build on existing arrangements,

*Recalling* the decision contained in paragraph 84 of the outcome document of the Conference<sup>56</sup> to establish a universal, intergovernmental, high-level political forum, building on the strengths, experiences, resources and inclusive participation modalities of the Commission on Sustainable Development, which would subsequently replace the Commission, as well as the decision that the high-level political forum should follow on the implementation of sustainable development and should avoid overlap with existing structures, bodies and entities in a cost-effective manner,

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<sup>56</sup> Resolution 66/288, annex.

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*Reaffirming* the role and authority of the General Assembly on global matters of concern to the international community, as set out in the Charter of the United Nations, and its central position as the chief deliberative, policymaking and representative organ of the United Nations, and recognizing the need for it to further integrate sustainable development as a key element of the overarching framework for United Nations activities,

*Reaffirming also* the commitment to strengthen the Economic and Social Council, within its mandate under the Charter, as a principal organ in the integrated and coordinated follow-up of the outcomes of all major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social, environmental and related fields, and recognizing the key role of the Council in achieving a balanced integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development,

*Recalling* the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development,<sup>57</sup> Agenda 21,<sup>58</sup> the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21,<sup>59</sup> the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg Plan of Implementation)<sup>60</sup> and the Johannesburg Declaration on Sustainable Development,<sup>61</sup>

*Recalling also* the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados Programme of Action)<sup>62</sup> and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,<sup>63</sup>

*Recalling further* the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011–2020 (Istanbul Programme of Action),<sup>64</sup> the Almaty Programme of Action: Addressing the Special Needs of Landlocked Developing Countries within a New Global Framework for Transit Transport Cooperation for Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries,<sup>65</sup> the political declaration on Africa's development needs<sup>66</sup> and the New Partnership for Africa's Development,<sup>67</sup>

*Recalling* the commitments in the outcomes of all the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and environmental fields, including the United Nations Millennium Declaration,<sup>68</sup> the 2005 World Summit Outcome,<sup>69</sup> the Monterrey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing for Development,<sup>70</sup> the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development: outcome document of the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus,<sup>71</sup> the outcome document of the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals,<sup>72</sup> the Programme

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<sup>57</sup> *Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3–14 June 1992*, vol. I, *Resolutions Adopted by the Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigendum), resolution 1, annex I.

<sup>58</sup> *Ibid.*, annex II.

<sup>59</sup> Resolution S-19/2, annex.

<sup>60</sup> *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August–4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.

<sup>61</sup> *Ibid.*, resolution 1, annex.

<sup>62</sup> *Report of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Bridgetown, Barbados, 25 April–6 May 1994* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.94.I.18 and corrigenda), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

<sup>63</sup> *Report of the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Port Louis, Mauritius, 10–14 January 2005* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.05.II.A.4 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex II.

<sup>64</sup> *Report of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Istanbul, Turkey, 9–13 May 2011* (A/CONF.219/7), chap. II.

<sup>65</sup> *Report of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Cooperation, Almaty, Kazakhstan, 28 and 29 August 2003* (A/CONF.202/3), annex I.

<sup>66</sup> Resolution 63/1.

<sup>67</sup> A/57/304, annex.

<sup>68</sup> Resolution 55/2.

<sup>69</sup> Resolution 60/1.

<sup>70</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18–22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

<sup>71</sup> Resolution 63/239, annex.

<sup>72</sup> Resolution 65/1.

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of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development,<sup>73</sup> the key actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development<sup>74</sup> and the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action,<sup>75</sup>

*Recalling also* its resolution 67/203 of 21 December 2012,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the lessons learned from the Commission on Sustainable Development,<sup>76</sup>

2. *Decides* that the high-level political forum, consistent with its universal intergovernmental character, shall provide political leadership, guidance and recommendations for sustainable development, follow up and review progress in the implementation of sustainable development commitments, enhance the integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development in a holistic and cross-sectoral manner at all levels and have a focused, dynamic and action-oriented agenda, ensuring the appropriate consideration of new and emerging sustainable development challenges;

3. *Also decides* that the meetings of the forum shall be convened under the auspices of the General Assembly and of the Economic and Social Council;

4. *Further decides* that all meetings of the forum shall provide for the full and effective participation of all States Members of the United Nations and States members of specialized agencies;

5. *Decides* that, in all meetings of the forum, every effort shall be made to reach consensus;

6. *Also decides* that the meetings of the forum under the auspices of the General Assembly:

(a) Shall be convened at the level of Heads of State and Government;

(b) Shall be convened every four years by the President of the Assembly for a period of two days, at the beginning of the session of the Assembly, as well as on other occasions, on an exceptional basis, upon a decision by the Assembly;

(c) Shall be chaired by the President of the Assembly;

(d) Shall result in a concise negotiated political declaration to be submitted for the consideration of the Assembly;

7. *Further decides* that the meetings of the forum under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Shall be convened annually by the President of the Council for a period of eight days, including a three-day ministerial segment to be held in the framework of the substantive session of the Council, building on and subsequently replacing the annual ministerial review as from 2016;

(b) Shall be chaired by the President of the Council;

(c) Shall have a thematic focus reflecting the integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development, in line with the thematic focus of the activities of the Council and consistent with the post-2015 development agenda;

(d) Shall follow up and review progress in the implementation of all the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and environmental fields, as well as their respective means of implementation, improve cooperation and coordination within the United Nations system on sustainable development programmes and policies, promote the sharing of best practices and experiences relating to the implementation of sustainable development and, on a voluntary basis, facilitate sharing of experiences, including successes, challenges and lessons learned, and promote system-wide coherence and coordination of sustainable development policies;

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<sup>73</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 5–13 September 1994* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.XIII.18), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

<sup>74</sup> Resolution S-21/2, annex.

<sup>75</sup> *Report of the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, 4–15 September 1995* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.13), chap. I, resolution 1, annexes I and II.

<sup>76</sup> A/67/757.

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(e) Shall take into account the work of the Development Cooperation Forum, as well as other activities of the Council relating to the integration and implementation of sustainable development;

(f) Shall benefit from regional preparatory processes;

(g) Shall result in a negotiated ministerial declaration for inclusion in the report of the Council to the General Assembly;

8. *Decides* that the forum, under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council, shall conduct regular reviews, starting in 2016, on the follow-up and implementation of sustainable development commitments and objectives, including those related to the means of implementation, within the context of the post-2015 development agenda, and further decides that those reviews:

(a) Shall be voluntary, while encouraging reporting, and shall include developed and developing countries, as well as relevant United Nations entities;

(b) Shall be State-led, involving ministerial and other relevant high-level participants;

(c) Shall provide a platform for partnerships, including through the participation of major groups and other relevant stakeholders;

(d) Shall replace the national voluntary presentations held in the context of the annual ministerial-level substantive reviews of the Council, building upon the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolution 61/16 of 20 November 2006, as well as experiences and lessons learned in this context;

9. *Also decides* that all meetings convened under the auspices of the General Assembly shall operate under the rules of procedure of the main committees of the Assembly, as applicable, unless otherwise provided in the present resolution, and that all meetings convened under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council shall operate under the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council, as applicable, except as otherwise provided in the present resolution;

10. *Underlines* that the arrangement established by the Economic and Social Council for the Commission on Sustainable Development in Council decision 1995/201 of 8 February 1995 shall apply to the meetings of the forum held under the auspices of the Council, and that the arrangements established by the General Assembly in the annex to its resolution 65/276 of 3 May 2011 shall apply to the meetings of the forum held under the auspices of the Assembly;

11. *Decides* that the meetings of the forum shall devote adequate time to the discussion of the sustainable development challenges facing developing countries, including the most vulnerable countries, in particular the least developed countries, small island developing States, landlocked developing countries and African countries, with the aim of enhancing engagement and implementing commitments and that they will recognize the particular challenges facing the middle-income countries in achieving sustainable development, and reiterates that the efforts of middle-income countries should be adequately supported by the international community, in various forms, taking into account the needs of those countries and their capacity to mobilize domestic resources;

12. *Encourages* States to ensure that their participation in the meetings of the forum reflect the balanced integration of the social, economic and environmental dimensions of sustainable development from their national perspectives;

13. *Acknowledges* the importance of the regional dimension of sustainable development, and invites the United Nations regional commissions to contribute to the work of the forum, including through annual regional meetings, with the involvement of other relevant regional entities, major groups and other relevant stakeholders, as appropriate;

14. *Stresses* the need for the forum to promote transparency and implementation by further enhancing the consultative role and participation of the major groups and other relevant stakeholders at the international level in order to make better use of their expertise, while retaining the intergovernmental nature of discussions, and in this regard decides that the forum shall be open to the major groups, other relevant stakeholders and entities having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the General Assembly, building on arrangements and practices observed by the Commission on Sustainable Development, including Economic and Social Council decision 1993/215 of 12 February 1993 and Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996, which shall be applicable to the forum;

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15. *Decides*, in this regard, that, while retaining the intergovernmental character of the forum, the representatives of the major groups and other relevant stakeholders shall be allowed:

- (a) To attend all official meetings of the forum;
- (b) To have access to all official information and documents;
- (c) To intervene in official meetings;
- (d) To submit documents and present written and oral contributions;
- (e) To make recommendations;
- (f) To organize side events and round tables, in cooperation with Member States and the Secretariat;

16. *Encourages* the major groups identified in Agenda 21<sup>58</sup> and other stakeholders, such as private philanthropic organizations, educational and academic entities, persons with disabilities, volunteer groups and other stakeholders active in areas related to sustainable development, to autonomously establish and maintain effective coordination mechanisms for participation in the high-level political forum and for actions derived from that participation at the global, regional and national levels, in a way that ensures effective, broad and balanced participation by region and by type of organization;

17. *Invites* the organizations of the United Nations system, including the Bretton Woods institutions and other relevant intergovernmental organizations, including the World Trade Organization, to contribute within their respective mandates to the discussions of the forum;

18. *Emphasizes* that the forum shall provide a dynamic platform for regular dialogue and for stocktaking and agenda-setting to advance sustainable development and that the agenda of all meetings of the high-level political forum shall be focused, while allowing flexibility to address new and emerging issues;

19. *Reaffirms* that the forum shall contribute to the enhanced integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development in a holistic and cross-sectoral manner at all levels, and in this regard invites the forum to take into account the contributions and work of relevant United Nations intergovernmental bodies in the social, economic and environmental fields;

20. *Decides* that the forum shall strengthen the science-policy interface by examining documentation, bringing together dispersed information and assessments, including in the form of a global sustainable development report, building on existing assessments, enhancing evidence-based decision-making at all levels and contributing to the strengthening of ongoing capacity-building for data collection and analysis in developing countries, and requests the forum to consider, in 2014, the scope and methodology of a global sustainable development report, based on a proposal of the Secretary-General reflecting the views and recommendations of Member States, and relevant United Nations entities, including the Committee for Development Policy;

21. *Also decides* that the forum may provide recommendations to the board of the 10-year framework of programmes for sustainable consumption and production, as well as to the United Nations Environment Programme, as the secretariat of the 10-year framework, taking into account their reports;

22. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council to coordinate with the Bureau of the Council and with the bureaux of the relevant committees of the Assembly to organize the activities of the forum so as to benefit from the inputs and advice of the United Nations system, the major groups and other relevant stakeholders, as appropriate;

23. *Decides* that the forum shall be supported by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat in close cooperation with all relevant entities of the United Nations system, including funds and programmes, multilateral financial and trade institutions, the secretariats of the three Rio conventions and other relevant treaty bodies and international organizations within their respective mandates;

24. *Requests* the Secretary-General to carry over all the remaining funds from the Trust Fund for Support of the Work of the Commission on Sustainable Development to a voluntary trust fund of the forum in order to facilitate the participation of developing countries, the least developed countries, representatives of major groups and other relevant stakeholders, as appropriate, in the work of the forum and to support the preparations of the forum, and in this regard invites Member States, financial institutions and other organizations to contribute to the voluntary trust fund of the forum;

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25. *Decides* that travel expenses for one representative of each of the least developed countries shall be paid from the regular budget of the United Nations for participation in all formal meetings of the forum;

26. *Recommends* that the Economic and Social Council abolish the Commission on Sustainable Development effective upon the conclusion of its twentieth session, to be held prior to the first meeting of the forum, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 67/203 of 21 December 2012;

27. *Decides* that the first meeting of the forum under the auspices of the General Assembly shall have an inaugural character, requests the President of the Assembly to convene the meeting at the beginning of the sixty-eighth session for the duration of one day, and decides that, on an extraordinary basis and only for the purpose of that meeting, the outcome of the meeting shall consist of the summary of the President;

28. *Also decides* to consider at its sixty-ninth session the need to convene a meeting of the forum under the auspices of the General Assembly in 2015 in relation to the launch of the post-2015 development agenda;

29. *Further decides* to review at its seventy-third session the format and the organizational aspects of the forum, unless otherwise decided;

30. *Emphasizes* that the review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 should take into account the present resolution in order to avoid duplication.

### RESOLUTION 67/291

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#### 67/291. Sanitation for All

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 61/192 of 20 December 2006 on the International Year of Sanitation, 2008, and 65/153 of 20 December 2010 on the follow-up to the International Year of Sanitation, 2008,

*Recalling also* General Assembly and Human Rights Council resolutions on the human right to safe drinking water and sanitation,

*Recalling further* its resolution 65/1 of 22 September 2010, entitled "Keeping the promise: united to achieve the Millennium Development Goals",

*Reaffirming* Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67 of 25 July 1980 on international years and anniversaries, and General Assembly resolutions 53/199 of 15 December 1998 and 61/185 of 20 December 2006 on the proclamation of international years,

*Reaffirming also* the commitment to implement Agenda 21,<sup>77</sup> the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21,<sup>78</sup> the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg Plan

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<sup>77</sup> *Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3–14 June 1992*, vol. I, *Resolutions Adopted by the Conference* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigendum), resolution 1, annex II.

<sup>78</sup> Resolution S-19/2, annex.

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of Implementation),<sup>79</sup> including the time-bound goals and targets, and the other internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals,

*Reaffirming further* the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012, entitled “The future we want”,<sup>80</sup>

*Deeply concerned* by the slow and insufficient progress in providing access to basic sanitation services, as shown in the 2012 update report of the United Nations Children’s Fund and the World Health Organization, in which it was noted that 2.5 billion people continue to lack basic sanitation, and conscious of the impact of the lack of sanitation on people’s health, poverty reduction, economic and social development and the environment, in particular water resources,

*Appreciating* the ongoing work of the organizations of the United Nations system and the work of other intergovernmental organizations on sanitation,

*Noting* that sanitation-related activities, events and initiatives are observed each year in many countries,

*Noting also* the efforts of countries that are participating in all relevant voluntary initiatives related to water and sanitation, including the Sanitation and Water for All partnership, to share their experience with interested Member States,

*Recognizing* that events organized on 19 November in many Member States in the context of World Toilet Day have contributed to a better awareness and concerted actions on different aspects of the critical issue of sanitation for all, and acknowledging in this regard the critical role of civil society organizations,

1. *Decides* to designate 19 November as World Toilet Day in the context of Sanitation for All;

2. *Urges* all Member States, the organizations of the United Nations system and all other relevant stakeholders to encourage behavioural change, together with policies for increasing access to sanitation among the poor, complemented by a call to end open defecation as a practice that is extremely harmful to public health;

3. *Encourages* all Member States, as well as the organizations of the United Nations system and international organizations and other stakeholders, to approach the sanitation issue in a much broader context and to encompass all its aspects, including hygiene promotion, the provision of basic sanitation services, sewerage and wastewater treatment and reuse in the context of integrated water management;

4. *Invites* all Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and other international and regional organizations, as well as civil society, including non-governmental organizations and individuals, to observe World Toilet Day in the context of Sanitation for All in an appropriate manner, including through education and activities to raise public awareness on the importance of access to sanitation for all;

5. *Urges* all Member States, as well as the organizations of the United Nations system, international organizations and other relevant stakeholders, to accelerate progress in order to achieve Millennium Development Goal 7 and other Millennium Development Goals related to sanitation, including by redoubling efforts to close the sanitation gap through scaled-up ground-level action, noting in this regard the global effort to realize “Sustainable sanitation: the five-year drive to 2015”;

6. *Stresses* that the costs of all activities that may arise from the implementation of the present resolution should be met from voluntary contributions, subject to the availability and provision of voluntary contributions for this specific purpose;

7. *Requests* UN-Water, in consultation with relevant entities of the United Nations system, mindful of the provisions of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67, to facilitate the implementation of World Toilet Day in the context of Sanitation for All, in collaboration with Governments and relevant stakeholders;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of all Member States and organizations of the United Nations system.

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<sup>79</sup> *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August–4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.

<sup>80</sup> Resolution 66/288, annex.

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### 67/292. Multilingualism

*The General Assembly,*

*Recognizing* that multilingualism contributes to the achievement of the goals of the United Nations, as set out in Article 1 of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recognizing also* that the United Nations pursues multilingualism as a means of promoting, protecting and preserving diversity of languages and cultures globally,

*Recognizing further*, in this regard, that genuine multilingualism promotes unity in diversity and international understanding, and recognizing the importance of the capacity to communicate to the peoples of the world in their own languages, including in formats accessible to persons with disabilities,

*Stressing* the need for strict observance of the resolutions and rules establishing language arrangements for the different bodies and organs of the United Nations,

*Recalling* that Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish are both the official and the working languages of the General Assembly, including its committees and subcommittees,<sup>81</sup> and of the Security Council,<sup>82</sup> that Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish are the official languages and English, French and Spanish the working languages of the Economic and Social Council,<sup>83</sup> and that English and French are the working languages of the Secretariat,<sup>84</sup>

*Emphasizing* the importance of multilingualism in the activities of the United Nations, including those linked to public relations and information,

*Recalling* its resolution 47/135 of 18 December 1992, by which it adopted the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities, and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,<sup>85</sup> in particular article 27 thereof, concerning the rights of persons belonging to ethnic, religious or linguistic minorities,

*Recalling also* its resolutions 2 (I) of 1 February 1946, 2480 B (XXIII) of 21 December 1968, 42/207 C of 11 December 1987 and 50/11 of 2 November 1995, and other subsequent resolutions relating to multilingualism, including resolutions 65/311 of 19 July 2011, 66/294 of 17 September 2012, 66/297 of 17 September 2012, 67/124 B of 18 December 2012, 67/237 of 24 December 2012 and 67/255 of 12 April 2013,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>86</sup>

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<sup>81</sup> Rule 51 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

<sup>82</sup> Rule 41 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council.

<sup>83</sup> Rule 32 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

<sup>84</sup> See resolution 2 (I), annex.

<sup>85</sup> See resolution 2200 A (XXI), annex.

<sup>86</sup> A/67/311.

I

**Multilingualism in general and the role of the Secretariat**

2. *Emphasizes* the paramount importance of the equality of the six official languages of the United Nations;
3. *Underlines* the need for full implementation of the resolutions establishing language arrangements for the official languages of the United Nations and the working languages of the Secretariat;
4. *Also underlines* the responsibility of the Secretariat in integrating multilingualism into its activities, from within existing resources, on an equitable basis;
5. *Welcomes*, in this regard, the continuation of the functions of Coordinator for Multilingualism within the Secretariat, and calls upon all departments and offices within the Secretariat to support the work of the Coordinator;
6. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General to continue to develop the network of focal points that supports the Coordinator for Multilingualism in effectively and consistently implementing relevant resolutions throughout the Secretariat, and invites the Secretary-General, through his role in the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, to support a coordinated approach on multilingualism within the United Nations system, taking into consideration the relevant recommendations contained in the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on multilingualism;<sup>87</sup>
7. *Welcomes* the implementation, within the United Nations, of a day dedicated to each of the official languages in order to inform and raise awareness of their history, culture and use, encourages the Secretary-General to further strengthen this approach in a cost-neutral manner, if needed through the participation of partner organizations, including Member States and institutions such as the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, and also encourages the Secretary-General to consider extending this important initiative to other, non-official languages spoken throughout the world;
8. *Also welcomes* the efforts made by international organizations based on a shared language to increase their cooperation with the United Nations regarding multilingualism;
9. *Further welcomes* the activities of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Member States, entities of the United Nations system, other international organizations and all other participating bodies aimed at fostering respect for and the promotion and protection of all languages, in particular endangered ones, linguistic diversity and multilingualism;
10. *Reaffirms* that linguistic diversity is an important element of cultural diversity, stresses the importance of the full and effective implementation of the Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions,<sup>88</sup> which entered into force on 18 March 2007, and recalls the Recommendation concerning the Promotion and Use of Multilingualism and Universal Access to Cyberspace of 15 October 2003;<sup>89</sup>

II

**Role of the Department of Public Information in multilingualism**

11. *Emphasizes* the importance of making use of all the official languages of the United Nations, ensuring their full and equitable treatment in all the activities of the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat, with the aim of eliminating the disparity between the use of English and the use of the five other official languages, and in this regard reaffirms its request that the Secretary-General ensure that the Department has the necessary staffing capacity in all the official languages to undertake all of its activities;
12. *Encourages* the Department of Public Information to continue to use other languages in addition to the official languages when appropriate, according to the targeted audience, with a view to reaching the widest possible spectrum of audiences and extending the United Nations message to all the corners of the world in order to strengthen international support for the activities of the Organization;

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<sup>87</sup> A/67/78.

<sup>88</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2440, No. 43977.

<sup>89</sup> United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, *Records of the General Conference, Thirty-second Session, Paris, 29 September–17 October 2003*, vol. 1, *Resolutions*, sect. IV, resolution 41, annex.

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13. *Welcomes* the work carried out by the United Nations information centres, including the United Nations Regional Information Centre, in favour of the publication of United Nations information materials and the translation of important documents into languages other than the official languages of the United Nations, with a view to reaching the widest possible audience and extending the United Nations message to all corners of the world in order to strengthen international support for the activities of the Organization, and encourages United Nations information centres to continue their important multilingual activities in the interactive and proactive aspects of their work, in particular by arranging seminars and debates to further the spread of information, understanding and the exchange of views regarding United Nations activities at the local and regional levels;

14. *Also welcomes* the sustained effort to disseminate information globally by use of official and non-official languages and traditional means of communication, and in this regard expresses its particular appreciation for the work currently being carried out by United Nations Radio in the six official languages, as well as in non-official languages;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to ensure that, in view of their income-generating nature, guided tours at United Nations Headquarters are consistently available in all six official languages of the United Nations;

16. *Welcomes* the initiative of the Secretary-General to also offer guided tours at United Nations Headquarters in non-official languages;

17. *Notes with interest* the cost-neutral initiatives of the Secretariat to produce publications in official and non-official languages, to increase the volume of translated publications and to encourage a multilingual acquisition policy for the libraries of the United Nations, and requests the Secretariat to continue those initiatives;

## III

### Websites and other web-based communication tools

18. *Reaffirms* the need to achieve full parity among the six official languages on all United Nations websites, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to include in his upcoming report on multilingualism a comprehensive review of the United Nations websites, including content discrepancies among the official languages, as well as to identify innovative ideas, potential synergies and other cost-neutral measures to achieve full parity among the six official languages;

19. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in his upcoming report on multilingualism a comprehensive review of the United Nations websites, presenting the status of content in non-official languages, as well as identifying innovative ideas, potential synergies and other cost-neutral measures to reinforce the broader multilingual development and enrichment of the United Nations websites, as appropriate;

20. *Urges* the Secretary-General to strengthen his efforts to develop, maintain and update multilingual United Nations websites and the web page of the Secretary-General in all the official languages of the United Nations, from within existing resources and on an equitable basis;

21. *Reaffirms its request* to the Secretary-General to ensure, while maintaining an up-to-date and accurate website, the equitable distribution of financial and human resources within the Department of Public Information allocated to the United Nations website among all six official languages, with full respect for the needs and specificities of all six languages;

22. *Notes with concern* that the multilingual development and enrichment of the United Nations website in certain official languages has improved at a much slower rate than expected, and in this regard requests the Department of Public Information, in coordination with content-providing offices, to advance actions to achieve full parity among the six official languages on the United Nations website, in particular by expediting the filling of vacant posts in some sections;

23. *Takes note* of sections II.D and II.E of the report of the Secretary-General,<sup>86</sup> requests the Secretary-General to continue his ongoing efforts in this regard, and urges all content-providing offices in the Secretariat to strengthen their efforts to translate into all official languages all English-language materials and databases posted on the United Nations website in the most practical, efficient and cost-effective manner, from within existing resources;

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24. *Requests* the Department of Public Information, in cooperation with the Office of Information and Communications Technology of the Secretariat, to continue its efforts to ensure that technological infrastructures and supportive applications fully support Latin, non-Latin and bidirectional scripts in order to enhance the equality of all official languages on the United Nations website;

25. *Welcomes* the cooperative arrangements undertaken by the Department of Public Information with academic institutions to increase the number of web pages available in official and non-official languages, and requests the Secretary-General, in coordination with content-providing offices, to extend such cooperative arrangements, in a cost-effective manner, to all the official languages of the United Nations, bearing in mind the necessity of adherence to United Nations standards and guidelines;

26. *Underlines* the importance, in the implementation of new communication tools, such as social networks, of taking into account the linguistic dimension in order to assure full parity among the official languages of the Organization;

27. *Urges* the Secretariat to keep iSeek up to date in the two working languages of the Secretariat, to continue its efforts to implement iSeek at all duty stations and to develop and implement cost-neutral measures to provide Member States with secure access to the information currently accessible only on the Intranet of the Secretariat;

## IV

### Documentation and conference services

28. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to complete the task of uploading all important older United Nations documents onto the United Nations website in all six official languages on a priority basis so that those archives are also made available to Member States through that medium;

29. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to ensure, through the provision of documentation services and meetings and publishing services under conference management, including high-quality translation and interpretation, effective multilingual communication equally in all the official languages of the United Nations among representatives of Member States in intergovernmental organs and among members of United Nations expert bodies;

30. *Reiterates with concern its request* that the Secretary-General ensure that the rules concerning the simultaneous distribution of documents in all six official languages are strictly respected as regards both the distribution of printed copies and the posting of parliamentary documentation on the Official Document System and the United Nations website, in accordance with section III, paragraph 5, of its resolution 55/222 of 23 December 2000;

31. *Underlines* that all the initiatives on the evolution of the working methods, including those introduced on a trial basis, shall comply with the principle of parity among the official languages of the Organization, with a view to preserving or enhancing the quality and scope of the services provided by the Secretariat;

## V

### Human resources management and staff training

32. *Recalls* its resolution 67/255, in particular paragraph 35 thereof, in which it reaffirmed the need to respect the equality of the two working languages of the Secretariat, reaffirmed the use of additional working languages in specific duty stations as mandated, and in that regard requested the Secretary-General to ensure that vacancy announcements specified the need for either of the working languages of the Secretariat, unless the functions of the post required a specific working language;

33. *Notes with satisfaction* the willingness of the Secretariat to encourage staff members, in meetings with interpretation services, to use any of the six official languages of which they have a command;

34. *Encourages* United Nations staff members to continue to actively use existing training facilities to acquire and enhance their proficiency in one or more of the official languages of the United Nations;

35. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue the efforts to ensure that training opportunities in the six official languages are equally available to all staff;

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36. *Recalls* section II, paragraph 17, of its resolution 61/244 of 22 December 2006, in which it acknowledged that the interaction of the United Nations with the local population in the field was essential and that language skills constituted an important element of the selection and training processes and therefore affirmed that a good command of the official language(s) spoken in the country of residence should be taken into account as an additional asset during those processes;

37. *Stresses* that the employment of staff shall continue to be carried out in strict accordance with Article 101 of the Charter of the United Nations and in line with the relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions;

38. *Invites* the Secretary-General to ensure compliance with the requirement for United Nations staff to have the ability to use one of the working languages of the Secretariat, and encourages the Secretary-General to further the implementation of resolution 2480 B (XXIII);

39. *Also invites* the Secretary-General to take the appropriate measures to consider the linguistic specificities mentioned in vacancy announcements during the composition of interview panels for the employment of United Nations staff;

40. *Stresses* that the promotion of staff in the Professional and higher categories shall be carried out in strict accordance with Article 101 of the Charter and in line with the provisions of resolution 2480 B (XXIII) and the relevant provisions of resolution 55/258 of 14 June 2001;

## VI

### Language services staff

41. *Recalls* its resolution 66/233 of 24 December 2011, in particular paragraph 7 of section III thereof, and reiterates its request that the Secretary-General ensure that all language services are given equal treatment and are provided with equally favourable working conditions and resources, with a view to achieving maximum quality of services, with full respect for the specificities of the six official languages, and in that regard recalls section D, paragraph 11, of its resolution 54/248 of 23 December 1999;

42. *Acknowledges* the measures undertaken by the Secretary-General, in accordance with its resolutions, to address the issue of the replacement of retiring staff in the language services, and requests the Secretary-General to maintain and intensify those efforts, including through the strengthening of cooperation with institutions that train language specialists to meet the needs in the six official languages of the United Nations;

## VII

### Field offices and peacekeeping operations

43. *Stresses* the importance of proposing United Nations information, technical assistance and training materials, whenever possible, in the local languages of the beneficiary countries, including through locally based United Nations websites;

44. *Recalls* its resolution 66/297, in which it endorsed the proposals, recommendations and conclusions of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations;<sup>90</sup>

45. *Takes note* of section II.D.1 of the report of the Secretary-General, requests the Secretary-General to continue his ongoing efforts in this regard, and recalls its resolution 66/297 without prejudice to Article 101 of the Charter;

46. *Urges* the Secretariat to translate all peacekeeping training documents into the six official languages of the United Nations, from within existing resources, to enable and facilitate their use by all Member States, troop-contributing countries and police-contributing countries, in particular, and by other involved institutions;

47. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session a comprehensive report on the full implementation of its resolutions on multilingualism;

48. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session the item entitled "Multilingualism".

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<sup>90</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/66/19), chap. V.*

**RESOLUTION 67/293**

Adopted at the 92nd plenary meeting, on 24 July 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.59/Rev.1 and Add.1, sponsored by: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Fiji (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China), Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United States of America

**67/293. Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the report of the Open-ended Ad Hoc Working Group on the Causes of Conflict and the Promotion of Durable Peace and Sustainable Development in Africa,<sup>91</sup> its resolution 53/92 of 7 December 1998 and subsequent annual resolutions, including resolutions 60/223 of 23 December 2005, 61/230 of 22 December 2006, 62/275 of 11 September 2008, 63/304 of 23 July 2009, 64/252 of 8 February 2010, 65/278 of 13 June 2011 and 66/287 of 23 July 2012, as well as its resolutions 62/179 of 19 December 2007, 63/267 of 31 March 2009, 64/258 of 16 March 2010, 65/284 of 22 June 2011 and 66/286 of 23 July 2012 on the New Partnership for Africa's Development, and 59/213 of 20 December 2004, 63/310 of 14 September 2009 and 65/274 of 18 April 2011 on cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union,

*Recalling also*, in this context, Security Council resolutions 1809 (2008) of 16 April 2008 on peace and security in Africa, 1325 (2000) of 31 October 2000, 1820 (2008) of 19 June 2008, 1888 (2009) of 30 September 2009, 1889 (2009) of 5 October 2009 and 1960 (2010) of 16 December 2010 on women and peace and security, 1366 (2001) of 30 August 2001 on the role of the Council in the prevention of armed conflicts, 1612 (2005) of 26 July 2005, 1882 (2009) of 4 August 2009, 1998 (2011) of 12 July 2011 and 2068 (2012) of 19 September 2012 on children and armed conflict, 1625 (2005) of 14 September 2005 on strengthening the effectiveness of the role of the Council in conflict prevention, particularly in Africa, and 1631 (2005) of 17 October 2005 and 2033 (2012) of 12 January 2012 on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations in maintaining international peace and security,

*Recalling further* the 2005 World Summit Outcome,<sup>92</sup> through which world leaders reaffirmed their commitment to addressing the special needs of Africa, and its resolution 60/265 of 30 June 2006,

*Reaffirming* the political declaration on Africa's development needs adopted at the high-level meeting on 22 September 2008,<sup>93</sup>

*Recalling* the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals and its outcome document,<sup>94</sup> and recognizing that development, peace, security and human rights are closely interlinked and mutually reinforcing,

*Recalling also* the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012, and its outcome document, entitled "The future we want",<sup>95</sup>

*Recalling further* its resolution 66/293 of 17 September 2012 establishing a monitoring mechanism to review commitments made towards Africa's development, and looking forward to the first biennial report to be submitted by the Secretary-General at the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly,

*Stressing* that the responsibility for peace and security in Africa, including the capacity to address the root causes of conflict and to resolve conflicts in a peaceful manner, lies primarily with African countries, while recognizing the need for the provision of support by the international community and the United Nations, taking into account the responsibilities of the Organization in this regard according to the Charter of the United Nations,

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<sup>91</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 45 (A/56/45).*

<sup>92</sup> Resolution 60/1.

<sup>93</sup> Resolution 63/1.

<sup>94</sup> Resolution 65/1.

<sup>95</sup> Resolution 66/288, annex.

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*Recognizing*, in particular, the importance of strengthening the capacity of the African Union and subregional organizations to address the causes of conflict in Africa,

*Noting* that, despite the positive trends and advances in obtaining durable peace in Africa, the conditions required for sustainable development have yet to be consolidated throughout the continent and that there is therefore an urgent need to continue developing African human and institutional capacities, particularly in countries emerging from conflict,

*Expressing concern*, in this context, about the resurgence of coups d'état in a few African countries and their negative impact on the consolidation of peace and development,

*Welcoming* the continuing efforts of the African Union and subregional organizations to settle conflicts and promote human rights, democracy, the rule of law and constitutional order in Africa,

*Reaffirming* the commitment to ensure that there shall be no tolerance for impunity for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity or for violations of international humanitarian law and gross violations of human rights law, and that such violations shall be properly investigated and appropriately sanctioned, including by bringing the perpetrators of any crimes to justice, through national mechanisms or, where appropriate, regional or international mechanisms, in accordance with international law, and for that purpose encouraging States to strengthen national judicial systems and institutions,

*Reaffirming also* the need to strengthen the synergy between Africa's economic and social development programmes and its peace and security agenda,

*Underlining* the importance of enhancing national and regional initiatives, with international support, to address the negative implications of the illegal exploitation of natural resources in all its aspects for peace, security and development in Africa, and condemning the illicit trade in and proliferation of arms, especially small arms and light weapons,

*Acknowledging* that the achievement of durable peace and sustainable development in countries in conflict and post-conflict situations requires that national Governments and international partners continue to develop coordinated approaches tailored to the peacebuilding needs and challenges faced by those countries,

*Reaffirming*, in this regard, the importance of the Peacebuilding Commission as a dedicated mechanism to address, within its existing mandate and in an integrated manner, the special needs of countries emerging from conflict towards recovery, reintegration and reconstruction and to assist them in laying the foundation for peace and sustainable development, taking into consideration national priorities and the principle of national ownership,

*Welcoming* the efforts of the United Nations Office to the African Union to enhance the partnership between the United Nations and the African Union, particularly in the areas of peace, security and political and humanitarian affairs, and reaffirming the need to ensure coordination and increase cost-effectiveness among relevant entities of the United Nations system involved in the implementation of the 10-year capacity-building programme, in particular the Economic Commission for Africa and the United Nations Office to the African Union,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations contained in his report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa;<sup>96</sup>

2. *Welcomes* the progress made by African countries, the African Union and subregional organizations in conflict prevention, peacemaking, peacekeeping, peacebuilding and development, calls for intensified efforts and a coordinated approach among national Governments, the African Union, subregional organizations, the United Nations system and relevant partners in addressing those challenges, with a view to achieving further progress towards the goal of a conflict-free Africa, and in this regard recognizes the important role played by civil society organizations, including women's organizations;

3. *Also welcomes* the ongoing efforts of the African Union and subregional organizations to strengthen their peacekeeping capacity and to take the lead in peacekeeping operations on the continent, in accordance with Chapter VIII of the Charter of the United Nations and in close coordination with the United Nations, through the

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<sup>96</sup> A/67/205-S/2012/715 and Add.1.

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Peace and Security Council of the African Union, as well as the ongoing efforts to develop a continental early warning system, response capacity, such as the African Standby Force, and enhanced mediation capacity, including through the Panel of the Wise;

4. *Calls upon* the United Nations system and Member States to support the peace consolidation mechanisms and processes, including the Panel of the Wise, the African Union Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Development Framework and the continental early warning system, including its subregional components, as well as the operationalization of the African Standby Force;

5. *Calls upon* Member States to assist post-conflict countries, at their request, in achieving a smooth transition from relief to development and to support relevant United Nations bodies, including the Peacebuilding Commission;

6. *Calls upon* the United Nations system, the international community and all partners to support the efforts of African countries to promote political, social and economic inclusion;

7. *Stresses* the importance of creating an environment conducive to national reconciliation and social and economic recovery in countries emerging from conflict;

8. *Invites* the United Nations and the donor community to increase efforts to support ongoing regional efforts to build African mediation and negotiation capacity;

9. *Calls upon* the United Nations system and Member States to support the African Union in its effort to effectively integrate training in international humanitarian law and international human rights law, with particular emphasis on the rights of women and children, into the training of civilian and military personnel of national standby contingents at both the operational and tactical levels, as set out in article 13 of the Protocol Relating to the Establishment of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union;

10. *Recognizes* that international and regional efforts to prevent conflict and consolidate peace in Africa should be channelled towards the sustainable development of Africa and the human and institutional capacity-building of African countries and organizations, particularly in priority areas identified at the continental level;

11. *Recalls* the signing of the declaration on enhancing cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union in Addis Ababa on 16 November 2006<sup>97</sup> and the ongoing efforts in this regard, notes with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on the review of the 10-year capacity-building programme for the African Union,<sup>98</sup> underlines the importance of accelerating the implementation of the programme, urges all stakeholders to support the full implementation of the 10-year capacity-building programme in all its aspects, in particular the operationalization of the African Standby Force, and requests the Secretary-General to report on the progress made in this regard;

12. *Stresses* the critical importance of a regional approach to conflict prevention, in particular with respect to cross-border issues such as transnational organized crime, disarmament, demobilization, repatriation, resettlement and reintegration programmes, the prevention of illegal exploitation of natural resources and trafficking in high-value commodities and the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects, and emphasizes in this regard the central role of the African Union and subregional organizations in addressing such issues;

13. *Notes with concern* that violence against women and children, including sexual violence, continues and may increase even as armed conflicts draw to an end, urges further progress in the implementation of policies and guidelines relating to the protection of and assistance to women and children in conflict and post-conflict situations in Africa, including more systematic monitoring and reporting, notes the adoption by the General Assembly and the Security Council of relevant resolutions, and encourages the entities that compose United Nations Action against Sexual Violence in Conflict, as well as other relevant parts of the United Nations system, to assist the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict in the implementation of her mandate, including in Africa;

14. *Also notes with concern* the tragic plight of children in conflict situations in Africa, in particular the phenomenon of child soldiers, as well as other violations against children, stresses the need for the protection of children in armed conflicts and for ensuring that the protection and rights of children in armed conflicts are

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<sup>97</sup> A/61/630, annex.

<sup>98</sup> A/65/716-S/2011/54.

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integrated into all peace processes, also stresses the need for post-conflict counselling, rehabilitation and education, with due regard for the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council, and encourages the relevant parts of the United Nations system to assist in the implementation of the mandate of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, including in Africa;

15. *Stresses* the importance of addressing the socioeconomic dimension of youth unemployment as well as facilitating the enhanced participation of youth in decision-making processes, with a view to addressing social, political and economic challenges;

16. *Calls for* the enhancement of the role of women in conflict prevention, conflict resolution, peacekeeping and post-conflict peacebuilding, consistent with relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolutions 1325 (2000) and 1820 (2008) on women and peace and security, and calls upon Member States in this context to support the work of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), established by the General Assembly in its resolution 64/289 of 2 July 2010;

17. *Welcomes* the ongoing efforts of the African Union to ensure the protection of the rights of women in conflict and post-conflict situations, recalls in this regard the adoption and entry into force of the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Rights of Women in Africa and the Solemn Declaration on Gender Equality in Africa, the African Union Gender Policy and the Southern African Development Community Protocol on Gender and Development, stresses the significance of those instruments for all countries in Africa for strengthening the role of women in peace and conflict prevention on the continent, and strongly urges the United Nations and all relevant parties to redouble their efforts and support in this regard;

18. *Takes note* of the African Union Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa, which entered into force on 6 December 2012, and the Kampala Declaration on Refugees, Returnees and Internally Displaced Persons in Africa, adopted on 23 October 2009;

19. *Calls for* the safeguarding of the principle of refugee protection in Africa and the resolution of the plight of refugees, including through support for efforts aimed at addressing the causes of refugee movement and bringing about the voluntary, dignified, safe and sustainable return and reintegration of those populations, and calls upon the international community, including Member States, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and other relevant United Nations organizations, within their respective mandates, to take concrete action to meet the protection and assistance needs of refugees, returnees and displaced persons and to contribute generously to projects and programmes aimed at alleviating their plight, facilitating durable solutions for refugees and displaced persons and supporting vulnerable local host communities;

20. *Recognizes* the important contribution of the African Peer Review Mechanism since its inception in improving governance and supporting socioeconomic development in African countries;

21. *Welcomes* African-led initiatives to strengthen political, economic and corporate governance, such as the African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance and the African Peer Review Mechanism, encourages more African countries to participate in this process, and calls upon the United Nations system and Member States to assist African countries and regional and subregional organizations, upon their request, in their ongoing efforts to promote constitutional order and the rule of law, to enhance good governance and to continue to fight against impunity, as well as in the holding of free, fair, inclusive and transparent elections;

22. *Recognizes* the role of the Peacebuilding Commission in ensuring that national ownership of the peacebuilding process in countries emerging from conflict is observed and that nationally identified priorities are at the core of international and regional efforts in post-conflict peacebuilding in the countries under consideration, notes the important steps taken by the Commission in engaging with Burundi, the Central African Republic, Guinea-Bissau and Sierra Leone, through integrated peacebuilding strategies, and with Guinea and Liberia, through statements of mutual commitments for peacebuilding, and calls for sustained regional and international commitment to the implementation of those strategies and mutual commitments;

23. *Stresses* the importance of effectively addressing the challenges that continue to hamper the achievement of peace, stability and sustainable development on the continent, and encourages the United Nations system and Member States to assist African countries in effectively addressing these challenges;

24. *Calls upon* the United Nations system, and invites Member States, to assist African countries emerging from conflict, upon their request as appropriate, in their efforts to build national capacities, including through national security sector reform strategies, the disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of ex-combatants, the

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provision for the safe return of internally displaced persons and refugees, the launch of income-generation activities, particularly for youth and women, and the delivery of basic public services;

25. *Urges* continued support for measures to address the challenges of poverty eradication and hunger, job creation and sustainable development in Africa, including, as appropriate, debt relief, improved market access, support for the private sector and entrepreneurship, fulfilment of commitments on official development assistance and increased flows of foreign direct investment and transfer of technology on mutually agreed terms;

26. *Recognizes* the need for African countries to make continued efforts to create enabling environments for inclusive growth in support of sustainable development and for the international community to make continued efforts to increase the flow of new and additional resources for financing for development from all sources, public and private, domestic and foreign, to support those development efforts by African countries, and welcomes the various important initiatives established between African countries and their development partners in this regard;

27. *Calls upon* the United Nations system and Member States, bilateral and multilateral partners and new partners, to deliver expeditiously on commitments and to ensure the full and speedy implementation of the provisions of the political declaration on Africa's development needs,<sup>93</sup> as well as the implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development;<sup>99</sup>

28. *Stresses* the need to promote socioeconomic development on the continent, and in this context takes note of the Declaration on Employment and Poverty Alleviation in Africa, adopted by the African Union in 2004, as well as the recommendations of the Millennium Development Goals Africa Steering Group, which were endorsed by the African Union in July 2008 and which cover such critical areas as agriculture and food security, education, health, infrastructure and trade facilitation and the national statistical system;

29. *Encourages* African Governments to strengthen structures and policies in order to create an environment conducive to the promotion of inclusive economic growth and to attracting foreign direct investment by, inter alia, achieving a transparent, stable and predictable investment climate, with proper contract enforcement and respect for property rights, and to promote socioeconomic development and social justice, calls upon African Member States and regional and subregional organizations to assist the African countries concerned, at their request, by enhancing their capacity to devise and improve their national natural resources and public revenue management structures, and in this regard invites the international community to assist in that process by providing adequate financial and technical assistance and by renewing its commitment to efforts aimed at combating the illegal exploitation of the natural resources of those countries, in conformity with international law;

30. *Recalls* relevant resolutions on the strengthening of cooperation and communication between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations or arrangements, and encourages coordination and cooperation between the United Nations system and regional and subregional organizations and regional economic communities in advocacy and in the mobilization of the support of the international community for African countries and towards the priorities of their continental and regional institutions;

31. *Notes* the completion of the review of the implementation of the recommendations contained in the 1998 report of the Secretary-General,<sup>100</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to develop, in consultation with relevant partners, policy proposals on issues identified in his report;

32. *Takes note* of the decision of the Secretary-General to implement the relevant General Assembly resolutions by maintaining the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa as a separate and independent office within the United Nations Secretariat and appointing a new Under-Secretary-General as his Special Adviser on Africa, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to take measures to enable the Office to effectively fulfil its mandate, including monitoring and reporting on progress related to meeting the special needs of Africa, and to ensure further coherence and an integrated approach for United Nations support for Africa, including in following up on the implementation of all global summit and conference outcomes related to Africa;

33. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to monitor and report to the General Assembly on an annual basis on persistent and emerging challenges to the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa, as well as on the approach and support of the United Nations system.

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<sup>99</sup> A/57/304, annex.

<sup>100</sup> A/52/871-S/1998/318.

**RESOLUTION 67/294**

Adopted at the 94th plenary meeting, on 15 August 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.57/Rev.1 and Add.1, sponsored by: Australia, Croatia, Estonia, Fiji (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China), Finland, France, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

**67/294. New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 57/2 of 16 September 2002 on the United Nations Declaration on the New Partnership for Africa's Development,

*Recalling also* its resolution 57/7 of 4 November 2002 on the final review and appraisal of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s and support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development and resolutions 58/233 of 23 December 2003, 59/254 of 23 December 2004, 60/222 of 23 December 2005, 61/229 of 22 December 2006, 62/179 of 19 December 2007, 63/267 of 31 March 2009, 64/258 of 16 March 2010, 65/284 of 22 June 2011 and 66/286 of 23 July 2012 entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support",

*Recalling further* the 2005 World Summit Outcome,<sup>101</sup> including the recognition of the need to meet the special needs of Africa, and recalling also its resolution 60/265 of 30 June 2006,

*Recalling* the political declaration on Africa's development needs, adopted at the high-level meeting on Africa's development needs on 22 September 2008,<sup>102</sup>

*Recalling also* the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals and its outcome document,<sup>103</sup> including the recognition that more attention should be given to Africa, especially to those countries most off track to achieve the Millennium Development Goals by 2015,

*Recalling further* that significant challenges remain in achieving sustainable development in Africa, as emphasized in the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled "The future we want",<sup>104</sup> including the importance of fulfilling all commitments to advance action in areas critical to Africa's sustainable development,

*Recalling* its resolution 66/293 of 17 September 2012, by which it established a United Nations monitoring mechanism to review commitments made towards Africa's development, and looking forward to the first biennial report, to be submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session,

*Stressing* that addressing Africa's special development needs should be given due attention in the post-2015 development agenda,

*Bearing in mind* that African countries have primary responsibility for their own economic and social development and that the role of national policies and development strategies cannot be overemphasized, and bearing in mind also the need for their development efforts to be supported by an enabling international economic environment, and in this regard recalling the support given by the International Conference on Financing for Development to the New Partnership,<sup>105</sup>

*Reiterating* the need for the international community to implement all commitments regarding the economic and social development of Africa,

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<sup>101</sup> Resolution 60/1.

<sup>102</sup> Resolution 63/1.

<sup>103</sup> Resolution 65/1.

<sup>104</sup> Resolution 66/288, annex.

<sup>105</sup> See *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18–22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

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1. *Welcomes* the tenth consolidated report of the Secretary-General,<sup>106</sup>
2. *Reaffirms its full support* for the implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development,<sup>107</sup>
3. *Reaffirms its commitment* to the full implementation of the political declaration on Africa's development needs,<sup>102</sup> as reaffirmed in the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development, adopted as the outcome document of the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus, held in Doha from 29 November to 2 December 2008,<sup>108</sup>
4. *Recognizes* the progress made in the implementation of the New Partnership as well as regional and international support for the New Partnership, while acknowledging that much needs to be done in its implementation;
5. *Takes note* of the Political Declaration on HIV and AIDS: Intensifying Our Efforts to Eliminate HIV and AIDS, adopted at the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS on 10 June 2011,<sup>109</sup> also takes note of the declaration of the extraordinary summit meeting of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and other related infectious diseases, held in Abuja from 24 to 27 April 2001, and reaffirms the resolve to provide assistance for prevention, treatment and care, with the aim of ensuring an HIV/AIDS-, malaria- and tuberculosis-free Africa by addressing the needs of all, in particular the needs of women, children and young people, and the urgent need to scale up significantly efforts towards achieving the goal of universal access to comprehensive HIV/AIDS prevention programmes, treatment, care and support in African countries, to accelerate and intensify efforts to expand access to affordable and quality medicines in Africa, including antiretroviral drugs, by encouraging pharmaceutical companies to make drugs available, and to ensure strengthened global partnership and increased bilateral and multilateral assistance, where possible on a grant basis, to combat HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis and other infectious diseases in Africa through the strengthening of health systems;
6. *Also takes note* of the road map on shared responsibility and global solidarity for AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria response in Africa, from 2012 to 2015, adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the African Union at its nineteenth ordinary session, held on 15 and 16 July 2012, notes the revitalization of AIDS Watch Africa as an African high-level platform to advocate action, accountability and resource mobilization for response to HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria in Africa, and requests, as appropriate, and in line with other international obligations, development partners and the United Nations system to support efforts of African countries and organizations to reach the main objectives put forward in the African Union road map, including achieving diversified sustainable financing, strengthening regulatory harmonization and local pharmaceutical manufacturing capacity and enhancing leadership and governance of the responses;
7. *Recognizes* that HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis and other infectious diseases pose severe risks for the entire world, in particular the African continent, and serious challenges to the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals;
8. *Invites* development partners to continue to assist African countries in their efforts to strengthen national health systems, including by providing skilled health personnel, reliable health information and data, research infrastructure and laboratory capacity, and to expand surveillance systems in the health sector, including support for the efforts to prevent, protect against and combat outbreaks of diseases, including of neglected tropical diseases, and in this context reiterates its support for the Kampala Declaration and Agenda for Global Action and follow-up conferences to respond to the serious health workforce crisis in Africa;
9. *Stresses* the importance of improving maternal and child health, and in this regard welcomes the declaration of the African Union summit on maternal, infant and child health and development, held in Kampala from 19 to 27 July 2010, and acknowledges the Campaign on Accelerated Reduction of Maternal Mortality in Africa;

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<sup>106</sup> A/67/204.

<sup>107</sup> A/57/304, annex.

<sup>108</sup> Resolution 63/239, annex.

<sup>109</sup> Resolution 65/277, annex.

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10. *Expresses deep concern* about the ongoing adverse impacts of the global financial and economic crisis, excessively volatile energy and food prices and ongoing concerns over food security and nutrition, as well as the increasing challenges posed by climate change, drought, land degradation, desertification, the loss of biodiversity and floods, and the serious challenges these impacts pose to the fight against poverty and hunger, which could pose serious additional challenges to the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, particularly in Africa;

11. *Expresses grave concern* that Africa is among the hardest hit by the impact of the world financial and economic crisis, recognizes that, while global growth is returning, there is a need to sustain the recovery, which is fragile and uneven, and therefore reaffirms the need to continue to support the special needs of Africa and take action to mitigate the multidimensional impacts of the crisis on the continent;

12. *Notes* that the rapid economic growth of some developing countries has had a positive impact on the efforts of the African continent to restore growth, despite the fact that those developing countries continue to face development challenges;

13. *Expresses concern* at Africa's disproportionately low share in the volume of international trade, which stands at approximately 3 per cent, also expresses concern that, despite an overall increase in the nominal volume and share of official development assistance to Africa, such assistance will likely rise by just 1 per cent a year in real terms, compared to the average 13 per cent rate of growth over the past three years, and further expresses concern at the increased debt burden of some African countries, the rising unemployment rate and the fall in capital inflows to the continent as a result of the world financial and economic crisis, which have a negative impact on the hard-earned socioeconomic and political gains that Africa has achieved in recent years;

14. *Notes* that foreign direct investment is a major source of financing for development, that it has a critical role in achieving development objectives and inclusive economic growth, including through the promotion of job creation and poverty eradication, and that it contributes to the active participation of the African economies in the global economy and facilitates regional economic cooperation and integration, and in this regard calls upon developed countries to continue to devise source-country measures to encourage and facilitate the flow of foreign direct investment, inter alia, through the provision of export credits and other lending instruments, risk guarantees and business development services;

15. *Calls upon* developing countries and countries with economies in transition to continue their efforts to create a domestic environment conducive to attracting investments by, inter alia, achieving a transparent, stable and predictable investment climate with proper contract enforcement and respect for property rights;

16. *Emphasizes* that economic development, including industrial development, and targeted policies to enhance productive capacities in Africa can generate employment and income for the poor and, therefore, be an engine for poverty eradication and for achieving internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals;

17. *Reaffirms* the need to enhance the voice and participation of developing countries, including African countries, in international economic decision-making and norm-setting, notes the steps taken in this regard, and emphasizes in this context the need to avoid further marginalization of the African continent;

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#### **Actions by African countries and organizations**

18. *Welcomes* the progress made by African countries in fulfilling their commitments in the implementation of the New Partnership to deepen democracy, human rights, good governance and sound economic management, and encourages African countries, with the participation of stakeholders, including civil society and the private sector, to continue their efforts towards achieving development goals, developing and strengthening institutions for governance, creating an environment conducive to involving the private sector, including small and medium-sized enterprises, in the New Partnership implementation process, developing public-private partnerships for financing infrastructure projects and attracting foreign direct investment for development;

19. *Also welcomes* the collaboration between the African Private Sector Forum and the United Nations Global Compact, and encourages the strengthening of this partnership in conjunction with the African Union Commission in support of the development of the African private sector and the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, in line with the relevant executive decisions of the African Union;

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20. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts exerted by the African Union and the regional economic communities in the area of economic integration, as well as ongoing efforts by the African Union in the operationalization of the provision contained in General Assembly resolutions 59/213 of 20 December 2004, 61/296 of 17 September 2007 and 63/310 of 14 September 2009, and stresses the key role of the United Nations system in supporting the African Union in the social, economic and political fields and in the area of peace and security;

21. *Recognizes* the important role that African regional economic communities can play in the implementation of the New Partnership, and in this regard encourages African countries and the international community to give regional economic communities the support necessary to strengthen their capacity;

22. *Welcomes* the decision by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the African Union, at its eighteenth ordinary session, on 29 and 30 January 2012, to strengthen intra-African trade, which plays an important role in promoting economic growth and development, and calls upon the United Nations system and development partners to support the efforts of African countries, the African Union and regional economic communities to enhance intra-African trade;

23. *Also welcomes* the commendable progress that has been achieved in implementing the African Peer Review Mechanism, in particular the completion of the peer review process in 15 countries, and welcomes the progress in implementing the national programmes of action resulting from those reviews, and in this regard urges African States that have not yet done so to consider joining the Mechanism process and to strengthen the Mechanism process for its efficient performance;

24. *Welcomes and appreciates* the continuing and increasing efforts of African countries in mainstreaming a gender perspective and the empowerment of women in the implementation of the New Partnership;

25. *Encourages* African countries to accelerate the achievement of the objective of food security in Africa, welcomes the commitment made by African leaders to raise the share of agriculture and rural development in their budget expenditures and ensure better governance to effectively manage the resources allocated, and in this regard reaffirms its support for, inter alia, the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme, under the strong leadership of African countries, in accordance with the targets set by the New Partnership;

26. *Also encourages* African countries to strengthen and expand local and transit infrastructure and to continue sharing best practices with a view to strengthening regional integration, and in this regard notes with appreciation the work of the high-level subcommittee of the African Union on the Presidential Infrastructure Champion Initiative, which seeks to further strengthen the development of infrastructure on the African continent in collaboration with relevant development partners;

27. *Further encourages* African countries to maintain the trend of increasing investment in infrastructure development and improving the efficiency of existing infrastructure investment, in the context of the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa which calls for the creation of an enabling environment for adequate investments and the adoption of the sector reforms needed to produce the expected results;

28. *Encourages* African countries to continue their efforts in investing in education, science, technology and innovation to enhance value addition and industrial development;

## II

### Response of the international community

29. *Welcomes* the efforts by development partners to strengthen cooperation with the New Partnership;

30. *Also welcomes* the various important initiatives established between African countries and their development partners, as well as other initiatives, emphasizes the importance of coordination in such initiatives on Africa and the need for their effective implementation, and in this regard recognizes the important role that North-South, South-South and triangular cooperation can play in supporting Africa's development efforts, including in the implementation of the New Partnership, while bearing in mind that South-South cooperation is not a substitute for but rather a complement to North-South cooperation;

31. *Urges* continued support of measures to address the challenges of poverty eradication and hunger, job creation and sustainable development in Africa, including, as appropriate, debt relief, improved market access, support for the private sector and entrepreneurship, fulfilment of commitments on official development assistance and increased flows of foreign direct investment, and transfer of technology on mutually agreed terms;

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32. *Expresses deep concern* about the continuing negative effects of desertification, land degradation and drought on the African continent and, in particular, the critical situation in the Sahel and the Horn of Africa region, which has experienced one of the worst droughts in history, and underlines the need for short-, medium- and long-term measures, and in this regard calls for the effective implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa,<sup>110</sup> including its 10-year strategic plan and framework to enhance the implementation of the Convention (2008–2018),<sup>111</sup> to address the situation;

33. *Recognizes* that Africa, which contributes the least to climate change, is one of the regions most vulnerable and most exposed to its adverse impacts, and in this regard calls upon the international community, in particular developed countries, to continue to support Africa in its adaptation and sustainable development efforts through, inter alia, the transfer and deployment of technology, capacity-building and the provision of adequate and predictable new resources, in line with existing commitments;

34. *Reiterates* the important role of trade as an engine of sustained, inclusive and equitable economic growth and sustainable development, in particular its contribution to boosting job creation, given high youth unemployment in Africa, and to the attainment of the Millennium Development Goals, emphasizes the need to resist protectionist tendencies and to rectify any trade-distorting measures already taken that are inconsistent with World Trade Organization rules, while recognizing the right of countries, in particular developing countries, to fully utilize their flexibilities consistent with their commitments and obligations as members of the World Trade Organization, and recognizes that the early and successful conclusion of the Doha Round of trade negotiations with a balanced, ambitious, comprehensive and development-oriented outcome would provide much-needed impetus to international trade and contribute to economic growth and development;

35. *Also reiterates* the need for all countries and relevant multilateral institutions to continue efforts to enhance coherence in their trade policies towards African countries, and acknowledges the importance of efforts to fully integrate African countries into the international trading system and to build their capacity to compete through such initiatives as aid for trade and, given the world economic and financial crisis, the provision of assistance to address the adjustment challenges of trade liberalization;

36. *Calls for* a comprehensive and sustainable solution to the external debt problems of African countries, and recognizes the important role, on a case-by-case basis, of debt relief, including debt cancellation, as appropriate, the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries Initiative and debt restructuring, as debt crisis prevention and management tools for mitigating the impact of the world financial and economic crisis in developing countries;

37. *Welcomes* the efforts of some developed countries which are on target to meet the commitments made in terms of increased official development assistance;

38. *Expresses deep concern* at the fact that the commitment to double aid to Africa by 2010, as articulated at the Summit of the Group of Eight held at Gleneagles from 6 to 8 July 2005, was not entirely reached, and in this regard stresses the need to make rapid progress in order to fulfil the Gleneagles and other donors' substantial commitments to increase aid through a variety of means;

39. *Underlines* the fact that the fulfilment of all official development assistance commitments is crucial, including the commitments by many developed countries to achieve the target of 0.7 per cent of gross national product for official development assistance to developing countries by 2015, as well as the target of 0.15 to 0.20 per cent of gross national product for official development assistance to least developed countries, and urges developed countries that have not yet done so to fulfil their commitments for official development assistance to developing countries;

40. *Considers* that innovative mechanisms of financing can make a positive contribution towards assisting developing countries in mobilizing additional resources for financing for development on a voluntary basis and that such financing should supplement and not be a substitute for traditional sources of financing, and, while highlighting the considerable progress on innovative sources of financing for development achieved to date, stresses the importance of scaling up present initiatives and developing new mechanisms, as appropriate;

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<sup>110</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1954, No. 33480.

<sup>111</sup> A/C.2/62/7, annex.

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41. *Welcomes* the increasing efforts to improve the quality of official development assistance and increase its development impact, recognizes the Development Cooperation Forum of the Economic and Social Council, notes other initiatives, such as the high-level forums on aid effectiveness, which produced, inter alia, the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness, the Accra Agenda for Action<sup>112</sup> and the Busan Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation, which make important contributions to the efforts of the countries that have made commitments to them, including through the adoption of the fundamental principles of national ownership, alignment, harmonization and managing for results, and bears in mind that there is no one-size-fits-all formula that will guarantee effective assistance and that the specific situation of each country needs to be fully considered;

42. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly to convene at its sixty-eighth session a plenary meeting for the purpose of holding a high-level thematic debate, allocating existing resources available for thematic debates, on the promotion of investment in Africa and its catalytic role in achieving Africa's development objectives, including those of the New Partnership, particularly the eradication of poverty and the achievement of inclusive and sustained economic growth and development;

43. *Recognizes* the need for Africa's development partners that are supporting agriculture and food security in Africa to align their efforts more specifically towards supporting the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme, using the Programme's investment plans for alignment of external funding, and in this regard takes note of the Declaration of the World Summit on Food Security;<sup>113</sup>

44. *Also recognizes* the need for Africa's development partners to align their efforts in infrastructure investment towards supporting the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa;

45. *Invites* all of Africa's development partners, in particular developed countries, to support African countries in promoting and maintaining macroeconomic stability, to help African countries to attract investments and promote policies conducive to attracting domestic and foreign investment, for example by encouraging private financial flows, to promote investment by their private sectors in Africa, to encourage and facilitate the transfer of the technology needed to African countries on favourable terms, including on concessional and preferential terms, as mutually agreed, and to assist in strengthening human and institutional capacities for the implementation of the New Partnership, consistent with its priorities and objectives and with a view to furthering Africa's development at all levels;

46. *Stresses* that the prevention, management and resolution of conflict and post-conflict consolidation are essential for the achievement of the objectives of the New Partnership, and welcomes in this regard the cooperation and support granted by the United Nations and development partners to the African regional and subregional organizations in the implementation of the New Partnership;

47. *Welcomes* the continued efforts of the United Nations Peacebuilding Commission in assisting post-conflict countries in Africa, particularly the six African countries for which the Commission has established country-specific configurations;

48. *Urges* the international community to give due attention to Africa's priorities, including the New Partnership, in the formulation of the post-2015 development agenda;

49. *Requests* the United Nations system to continue to provide assistance to the Planning and Coordinating Agency of the New Partnership and to African countries in developing projects and programmes within the scope of the priorities of the New Partnership and to place greater emphasis on monitoring, evaluation and dissemination of the effectiveness of its activities in support of the New Partnership;

50. *Emphasizes* African ownership of the African Peer Review Mechanism process, and invites the international community to support the efforts of African countries, at their request, in implementing their respective national programmes of action arising from the process;

51. *Invites* the Secretary-General, as a follow-up to the 2005 World Summit, to urge the United Nations development system to assist African countries in implementing quick-impact initiatives through, inter alia, the Millennium Villages Project, and requests the Secretary-General to include in his report an assessment of those quick-impact initiatives;

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<sup>112</sup> A/63/539, annex.

<sup>113</sup> Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, document WSFS 2009/2.

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52. *Requests* the Secretary-General to promote greater coherence in the work of the United Nations system in support of the New Partnership, on the basis of the agreed clusters of the Regional Coordination Mechanism for Africa,<sup>114</sup> and in this regard calls upon the United Nations system to continue to mainstream the special needs of Africa in all its normative and operational activities;

53. *Welcomes* the establishment of a United Nations monitoring mechanism to review commitments made related to Africa's development, and invites Member States and all relevant entities of the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions, in particular the Economic Commission for Africa, and all relevant international and regional organizations to contribute to the effectiveness and reliability of the review process by cooperating in the collection of data and the evaluation performance;

54. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to take measures to strengthen the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa in order to enable it to effectively fulfil its mandate, including monitoring and reporting on progress related to meeting the special needs of Africa and coordinating the interdepartmental task force on African affairs, to ensure a coherent and integrated approach for United Nations support for Africa, including following up on the implementation of all global summit and conference outcomes related to Africa, including the implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development,<sup>104</sup>

55. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to submit a comprehensive report on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session on the basis of inputs from Governments, organizations of the United Nations system and other stakeholders in the New Partnership.

### RESOLUTION 67/295

Adopted at the 95th plenary meeting, on 22 August 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.76 and Add.1, sponsored by: Albania, Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Belize, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Mongolia, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Peru, Poland, Republic of Korea, Romania, Samoa, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

#### 67/295. Report of the International Criminal Court

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 66/262 of 29 May 2012 and all its previous relevant resolutions,

*Recalling also* that the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court<sup>115</sup> reaffirms the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Reiterating* the historic significance of the adoption of the Rome Statute,

*Emphasizing* that justice, especially transitional justice in conflict and post-conflict societies, is a fundamental building block of sustainable peace,

*Convinced* that ending impunity is essential if a society in armed conflict or recovering from armed conflict is to come to terms with past crimes committed and to prevent such crimes in the future,

*Acknowledging* the fact that the International Criminal Court has achieved considerable progress in its analyses, investigations and judicial proceedings in various situations and cases which were referred to it by States parties to the Rome Statute and by the Security Council, and which the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court has initiated *proprio motu*, in accordance with the Rome Statute,

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<sup>114</sup> The nine clusters include: infrastructure development; environment, population and urbanization; social and human development; science and technology; advocacy and communications; governance; peace and security; agriculture, food security and rural development; and industry, trade and market access.

<sup>115</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2187, No. 38544.

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*Recalling* that effective and comprehensive cooperation and assistance in all aspects of its mandate by States, the United Nations and other international and regional organizations remain essential for the International Criminal Court to carry out its activities,

*Expressing its appreciation* to the Secretary-General for providing effective and efficient assistance to the International Criminal Court in accordance with the Relationship Agreement between the United Nations and the International Criminal Court,<sup>116</sup>

*Acknowledging* the Relationship Agreement as approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 58/318 of 13 September 2004, including paragraph 3 of the resolution, with respect to the payment in full of expenses accruing to the United Nations as a result of the implementation of the Relationship Agreement,<sup>117</sup> which provides a framework for continued cooperation between the International Criminal Court and the United Nations, which enables, inter alia, facilitation by the United Nations of the Court's field activities, and encouraging the conclusion of supplementary arrangements and agreements, as necessary,

*Noting* the need for funding of expenses related to investigations or prosecutions of the International Criminal Court, including in connection with situations referred to the Court by the Security Council,

*Welcoming* the continuous support given by civil society to the International Criminal Court,

*Expressing its appreciation* to the International Criminal Court for providing assistance to the Special Court for Sierra Leone,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the International Criminal Court for 2011/12;<sup>118</sup>

2. *Welcomes* the States that have become parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court<sup>115</sup> in the past year, and calls upon all States in all regions of the world that are not yet parties to the Rome Statute to consider ratifying or acceding to it without delay;

3. *Welcomes* the States parties as well as States not parties to the Rome Statute that have become parties to the Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court,<sup>119</sup> and calls upon all States that have not yet done so to consider becoming parties to that Agreement;

4. *Notes* the recent ratifications of the amendments adopted at the Review Conference of the Rome Statute, held in Kampala from 31 May to 11 June 2010;

5. *Underlines*, bearing in mind that in accordance with the Rome Statute the International Criminal Court is complementary to national criminal jurisdictions, that States need to adopt appropriate measures within their national legal systems for those crimes for which they are required under international law to exercise their responsibility to investigate and prosecute;

6. *Encourages* further efforts by the United Nations, other international and regional organizations and States, as well as civil society, to appropriately assist States, upon their request, to strengthen their domestic capacity to investigate and prosecute crimes;

7. *Emphasizes* the importance of international cooperation and judicial assistance in conducting effective investigations and prosecutions;

8. *Recognizes* the role of the International Criminal Court in a multilateral system that aims to end impunity, establish the rule of law, promote and encourage respect for human rights, achieve sustainable peace and further the development of nations, in accordance with international law and the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations;

9. *Calls upon* States parties to the Rome Statute that have not yet done so to adopt national legislation to implement obligations emanating from the Rome Statute and to cooperate with the International Criminal Court in the exercise of its functions, and recalls the provision of technical assistance by States parties in this respect;

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<sup>116</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. 2283, No. 1272.

<sup>117</sup> Articles 10 and 13 of the Relationship Agreement.

<sup>118</sup> See A/67/308.

<sup>119</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2271, No. 40446.

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10. *Welcomes* the cooperation and assistance provided thus far to the International Criminal Court by States parties as well as States not parties, the United Nations and other international and regional organizations, and calls upon those States that are under an obligation to cooperate to provide such cooperation and assistance in the future, in particular with regard to arrest and surrender, the provision of evidence, the protection and relocation of victims and witnesses and the enforcement of sentences;

11. *Recalls* article 3 of the Relationship Agreement<sup>116</sup> according to which, with a view to facilitating the effective discharge of their respective responsibilities, the United Nations and the International Criminal Court shall cooperate closely, whenever appropriate, with each other and consult each other on matters of mutual interest pursuant to the provisions of the Relationship Agreement and in conformity with the respective provisions of the Charter and the Rome Statute, and shall respect each other's status and mandate,<sup>120</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to continue to include information relevant to the implementation of article 3 of the Relationship Agreement in a report to be submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session;

12. *Takes note* of the latest guidance issued by the Secretary-General on contacts with persons who are the subject of arrest warrants or summonses issued by the International Criminal Court;<sup>121</sup>

13. *Emphasizes* the importance of cooperation with States that are not parties to the Rome Statute;

14. *Invites* regional organizations to consider concluding cooperation agreements with the International Criminal Court;

15. *Recalls* that, by virtue of article 12, paragraph 3, of the Rome Statute, if the acceptance of a State which is not a party to the Rome Statute is required under article 12, paragraph 2, of the Rome Statute, that State may, by declaration lodged with the Registrar of the International Criminal Court, accept the exercise of jurisdiction by the Court with respect to the crime in question;

16. *Urges* all States parties to take the interests, needs for assistance and mandate of the International Criminal Court into account when relevant matters are being discussed in the United Nations, and invites all other States to consider doing the same, as appropriate;

17. *Emphasizes* the importance of the full implementation of all aspects of the Relationship Agreement, which forms a framework for close cooperation between the two organizations and for consultation on matters of mutual interest pursuant to the provisions of that Agreement and in conformity with the respective provisions of the Charter and the Rome Statute, as well as the need for the Secretary-General to continue to inform the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session of the expenses incurred and reimbursements received by the United Nations in connection with assistance provided to the International Criminal Court;

18. *Encourages* further dialogue between the United Nations and the International Criminal Court, and welcomes in this regard the increased interaction of the Security Council with the Court under various formats, including the holding of an open debate on peace and justice, with a special focus on the role of the Court;

19. *Welcomes* the statement by the President of the Security Council of 12 February 2013<sup>122</sup> in which the Council reiterated its previous call regarding the importance of State cooperation with the International Criminal Court in accordance with the respective obligations of States, and expressed its commitment to effective follow-up of Council decisions in this regard;

20. *Expresses its appreciation* for the work undertaken by the International Criminal Court liaison office to United Nations Headquarters, and encourages the Secretary-General to continue to work closely with that office;

21. *Encourages* States to contribute to the Trust Fund established for the benefit of victims of crimes within the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court and the families of such victims, and acknowledges with appreciation contributions made to that Trust Fund thus far;

22. *Recalls* that, at the Review Conference of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, which was convened and opened by the Secretary-General, States parties reaffirmed their commitment to the Rome Statute

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<sup>120</sup> Article 2, paragraph 3, of the Relationship Agreement.

<sup>121</sup> A/67/828-S/2013/210, annex.

<sup>122</sup> S/PRST/2013/2; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2012–31 July 2013*.

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and its full implementation, as well as its universality and integrity, and that the Review Conference undertook a stocktaking exercise of international criminal justice, considering the impact of the Rome Statute on victims and affected communities, peace and justice, complementarity and cooperation, called for the strengthening of the enforcement of sentences, adopted amendments to the Rome Statute to expand the jurisdiction of the Court to cover three additional war crimes when committed in armed conflicts not of an international character, adopted amendments to the Rome Statute to define the crime of aggression and to establish conditions under which the Court could exercise jurisdiction with respect to that crime, and decided to retain article 124 of the Rome Statute;

23. *Acknowledges* the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization,<sup>123</sup> in which it was stated that the United Nations continued to promote accountability for international crimes and advocate for further ratification of the Rome Statute and that the first judgement of the International Criminal Court, in the *Lubanga* case, constituted an important step in ensuring the accountability of those responsible for international crimes;

24. *Takes note* of the decision of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court at its eleventh session, while recalling that, according to article 112, paragraph 6, of the Rome Statute, the Assembly of States Parties shall meet at the seat of the Court or at United Nations Headquarters, to hold its twelfth session in The Hague, looks forward to the twelfth session, which is to be held from 20 to 28 November 2013, and requests the Secretary-General to provide the necessary services and facilities in accordance with the Relationship Agreement and resolution 58/318;

25. *Encourages* the widest possible participation of States in the Assembly of States Parties, invites States to contribute to the Trust Fund for the participation of least developed countries, and acknowledges with appreciation contributions made to that Trust Fund thus far;

26. *Invites* the International Criminal Court to submit, in accordance with article 6 of the Relationship Agreement, a report on its activities for 2012/13, for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session.

### RESOLUTION 67/296

Adopted at the 96th plenary meeting, on 23 August 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.77 and Add.1, sponsored by: Andorra, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Georgia, Greece, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mauritania, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Norway, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Samoa, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Switzerland, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan

#### **67/296. International Day of Sport for Development and Peace**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 48/10 of 25 October 1993, in which it proclaimed 1994 the International Year of Sport and the Olympic Ideal, 48/11 of 25 October 1993 on the observance of the Olympic Truce, 49/29 of 7 December 1994 and 50/13 of 7 November 1995 on the Olympic Ideal, and its resolutions 52/21 of 25 November 1997, 54/34 of 24 November 1999, 56/75 of 11 December 2001, 58/6 of 3 November 2003, 60/8 of 3 November 2005, 62/4 of 31 October 2007, 64/4 of 19 October 2009 and 66/5 of 17 October 2011 on building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal,

*Recalling also* its resolutions on sport as a means to promote education, health, development and peace, in particular resolution 58/5 of 3 November 2003, in which it proclaimed 2005 the International Year for Sport and Physical Education, and resolutions 59/10 of 27 October 2004, 60/9 of 3 November 2005, 61/10 of 3 November 2006, 62/271 of 23 July 2008, 63/135 of 11 December 2008, 65/4 of 18 October 2010 and 67/17 of 28 November 2012,

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<sup>123</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 1 (A/67/1).*

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*Reaffirming* its resolutions 60/1 of 16 September 2005, containing the 2005 World Summit Outcome, in which it recognized the potential of sport to contribute to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, underlining that sports can foster peace and development and can contribute to an atmosphere of tolerance and understanding, 65/1 of 22 September 2010, entitled “Keeping the promise: united to achieve the Millennium Development Goals”, in which it recognized that sport, as a tool for education, development and peace, can promote cooperation, solidarity, tolerance, understanding, social inclusion and health at the local, national and international levels, and 66/2 of 19 September 2011, containing the political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases, in which it promoted healthy lifestyles, in particular through physical activity,

*Reaffirming also* Economic and Social Council resolution 1980/67 of 25 July 1980 on international years and anniversaries, and General Assembly resolutions 53/199 of 15 December 1998 and 61/185 of 20 December 2006 on the proclamation of international years,

*Recalling* the mission and role of the International Olympic Committee, as set out in the Olympic Charter, in placing sport at the service of humankind and in promoting a peaceful society and healthy lifestyles by associating sport with culture and education and safeguarding human dignity without any discrimination whatsoever, and welcoming the partnerships the Committee has established with many organizations of the United Nations system, including the International Forum on Sport, Peace and Development, organized jointly with the United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace,

*Recognizing* the role that the International Paralympic Committee plays in showcasing the achievements of athletes with an impairment to a global audience and in acting as a primary vehicle to change societal perceptions of disability sport,

1. *Decides* to proclaim 6 April the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace;

2. *Invites* States, the United Nations system and, in particular, the United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace, relevant international organizations, and international, regional and national sports organizations, civil society, including non-governmental organizations and the private sector, and all other relevant stakeholders to cooperate, observe and raise awareness of the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace;

3. *Stresses* that the costs of all activities that may arise from the implementation of the present resolution should be met from voluntary contributions, subject to the availability and provision of voluntary contributions for this specific purpose;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include in his report to be submitted to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session under the item entitled “Sport for development and peace”, a summary of the implementation of the present resolution, elaborating, *inter alia*, on the evaluation of the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace;

5. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of States and the organizations of the United Nations system.

### RESOLUTION 67/297

Adopted at the 97th plenary meeting, on 29 August 2013, without a vote, on the basis of the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly (A/67/936, para. 79)

#### 67/297. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

*The General Assembly,*

*Reaffirming* its resolution 66/294 of 17 September 2012 and all other previous resolutions relating to the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly,<sup>124</sup>

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<sup>124</sup> Resolutions 46/77, 47/233, 48/264, 51/241, 52/163, 55/14, 55/285, 56/509, 57/300, 57/301, 58/126, 58/316, 59/313, 60/286, 61/292, 62/276, 63/309, 64/301 and 65/315.

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*Recognizing* the need to further enhance the role, authority, effectiveness and efficiency of the General Assembly,

*Reiterating* that the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly is a critical component of the overall reform of the United Nations,

*Recognizing* the role of the General Assembly in addressing issues of peace and security, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations,

*Reaffirming* the role and authority of the General Assembly on global matters of concern to the international community, including in global governance, as set out in the Charter,

*Welcoming* the efforts by the President of the General Assembly in advancing the revitalization agenda during its sixty-seventh session,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly, and the updated inventory of General Assembly resolutions on revitalization annexed thereto,<sup>125</sup>

2. *Decides* to establish, at its sixty-eighth session, an ad hoc working group on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, open to all Member States:

(a) To identify further ways to enhance the role, authority, effectiveness and efficiency of the Assembly, inter alia, by building on the progress achieved in past sessions as well as on previous resolutions, including evaluating the status of their implementation;

(b) To submit a report thereon to the Assembly at its sixty-eighth session;

3. *Also decides* that the Ad Hoc Working Group shall continue its review of the inventory of General Assembly resolutions on revitalization annexed to the report of the Ad Hoc Working Group submitted at the sixty-seventh session of the Assembly, and, as a result, continue to update the inventory to be attached to the report at the sixty-eighth session, and requests the Secretary-General to submit an update on the provisions of the Assembly resolutions on revitalization addressed to the Secretariat for implementation that have not been implemented, with an indication of the constraints and reasons behind any lack of implementation, for further consideration by the Ad Hoc Working Group at the sixty-eighth session;

### **Role and authority of the General Assembly**

4. *Reaffirms* the role and authority of the General Assembly, including on questions relating to international peace and security, in accordance with Articles 10 to 14 and 35 of the Charter of the United Nations, where appropriate, using the procedures set forth in rules 7 to 10 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly, which enable swift and urgent action by the Assembly, bearing in mind that the Security Council has the primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security, in accordance with Article 24 of the Charter;

5. *Recognizes* that non-implementation of General Assembly resolutions, including those related to the revitalization of its work, may diminish the role, authority, effectiveness and efficiency of the Assembly, and underlines the important role and responsibility of Member States in their implementation;

6. *Welcomes* the initiative by the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session to select “Bringing about adjustment or settlement of international disputes or situations by peaceful means” as the overarching theme for the session, with a view to highlighting the role of the Assembly in conflict prevention and resolution;

7. *Recognizes* the value of holding interactive inclusive thematic debates on current issues of critical importance to the international community, and invites the President of the General Assembly to continue this practice and to consult with the General Committee and Member States on the preliminary programme of such debates as well as on the possibilities for achieving, where appropriate, results-oriented and productive outcomes of such debates, and to recommend to the Assembly, at the beginning of each session, the preliminary programme;

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<sup>125</sup> A/67/936.

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8. *Also recognizes* the importance and benefit of continuing interaction between the General Assembly and international or regional forums and organizations dealing with global matters of concern to the international community, as well as with civil society, as and where appropriate, while fully respecting the intergovernmental nature of the Assembly, in conformity with its relevant rules of procedure;

9. *Reaffirms* that the relationship between the principal organs of the United Nations is mutually reinforcing and complementary, in accordance with their respective functions and powers as enshrined in the Charter, and in this regard stresses the importance of ensuring increased cooperation, coordination and the exchange of information among the Presidents of the principal organs and also with the Secretariat of the United Nations, in particular the Secretary-General;

10. *Welcomes* the improvement in the quality of the annual reports of the Security Council to the General Assembly, and encourages the Council to make further improvement as necessary;

11. *Encourages* the Secretariat, including the Department of Public Information, to continue its efforts to raise the visibility of the General Assembly and to enhance world public and media awareness of its work, and in this regard recalls paragraph 10 of its resolution 67/124 B of 18 December 2012, in which it noted the efforts of the Department to continue to publicize the work and decisions of the General Assembly and requested the Department to continue to enhance its working relationship with the Office of the President of the General Assembly;

### **Working methods**

12. *Welcomes* the briefings by the Chairs of the Main Committees of the General Assembly to the Ad Hoc Working Group about the working methods of their respective Committees during the sixty-seventh session of the Assembly, and in this regard encourages the Main Committees:

(a) To ensure adequate coordination in their work while avoiding overlap and duplication;

(b) To elect the bureau of each Committee at least three months in advance of the session for better coordination and for a smoother hand-over of their work;

(c) To benefit from their respective QuickPlace to facilitate the smooth organization and timely conclusion of their work;

(d) To share experiences, best practices and lessons learned concerning their respective working methods;

13. *Requests* each Main Committee to further discuss its working methods at the beginning of every session, and in this regard invites the Chairs of the Main Committees to brief the Ad Hoc Working Group at the sixty-eighth session, as appropriate;

14. *Stresses* the importance of enhancing the role of the General Committee to support the work of the General Assembly;

15. *Reiterates its request* that the General Assembly and its Main Committees, at the sixty-eighth session, in consultation with Member States, continue consideration of and make proposals for the further biennialization, triennialization, clustering and elimination of items on the agenda of the Assembly, including through the introduction of a sunset clause, with the clear consent of the sponsoring State or States, taking into account the relevant recommendations of the Ad Hoc Working Group;

16. *Decides* to establish a link devoted to the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly on the Assembly page on the United Nations website, from within existing resources, following the model of the websites of the Main Committees;

17. *Encourages* exploration of the possibility of electing the non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council earlier than October of each year, as is currently the practice, in order to foster better advance planning and preparation before the members assume such responsibilities;

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18. *Notes with appreciation* that the high-level meetings held at the United Nations give more visibility to very important topics, and, while mindful of the need to facilitate full participation of all Member States and to preserve the integrity of the general debate in September, reiterates its invitation to the Secretary-General, the President of the General Assembly and the Chairs of the Main Committees, in consultation with the General Committee and Member States, to enhance the coordination of the scheduling of high-level meetings and high-level thematic debates, with a view to optimizing the number and distribution of such events, including by exploring the possibility of scheduling future high-level meetings during the early part of the year, from within existing resources, taking into account the calendar of conferences, and without prejudice to the current practices of convening high-level meetings in September at the beginning of each session of the Assembly, and convening high-level thematic debates throughout the session, as appropriate;

19. *Encourages* Member States, United Nations bodies and the Secretariat to continue to consult on the consolidation of documentation in order to avoid duplication of work, to exercise the fullest possible discipline in striving for concise resolutions, reports and other documentation, inter alia, by referring to previous documents rather than repeating actual content, and to focus on key themes, and calls upon them to observe existing submission deadlines in order to allow for the timely processing of documents to be examined by intergovernmental bodies;

20. *Urges* the Secretariat, in addition to its current practice of using e-mail, to use facsimile messages to disseminate important official letters and notifications to all Permanent Missions;

21. *Encourages* Member States to make full use of the e-services provided by the Secretariat, taking into account the cost savings and the reduced environmental impact that may accrue from this exercise, in order to improve the quality and distribution of documents;

22. *Requests* the Ad Hoc Working Group to prepare arrangements concerning the election of Chairs and Rapporteurs of the Main Committees of the General Assembly, with the aim of establishing a predictable, transparent and fair mechanism for the elections at an early stage of the sixty-eighth session of the Assembly, and not later than six months before the start of its sixty-ninth session, and to submit them to the Assembly not later than three months before the start of its sixty-ninth session, and invites regional groups to be guided by these arrangements for the election of the Chairs and Rapporteurs of the sixty-ninth session;

### **Selection and appointment of the Secretary-General and other executive heads**

23. *Reaffirms its commitment* to continue, in the Ad Hoc Working Group, in accordance with the provisions of Article 97 of the Charter, its consideration of the revitalization of the role of the General Assembly in the selection and appointment of the Secretary-General, and calls for the full implementation of all relevant resolutions, including resolutions 11 (I) of 24 January 1946, 51/241 of 31 July 1997, 60/286 of 8 September 2006, in particular paragraphs 17 to 22 of the annex thereto, and 64/301 of 13 September 2010;

24. *Recognizes* that the process of selecting and appointing the Secretary-General differs from the process used with regard to other executive heads in the organizations of the United Nations system, given the role of the Security Council in accordance with Article 97 of the Charter, and re-emphasizes the need for the process of selection of the Secretary-General to be transparent and inclusive of all Member States;

25. *Takes note* of the recommendation contained in the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the selection and conditions of service of executive heads in the organizations of the United Nations system, proposing that the General Assembly conduct hearings or meetings with candidates running for the post of Secretary-General of the United Nations;<sup>126</sup>

### **Strengthening the institutional memory of the Office of the President of the General Assembly**

26. *Notes* that the activities of the President of the General Assembly have increased markedly in recent years, recalls provisions regarding support for the Office of the President of the Assembly in previous resolutions, expresses continued interest in seeking ways to further support the Office, in accordance with existing procedures, in particular rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, and in this context looks forward to the

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<sup>126</sup> See A/65/71.

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submission by the Secretary-General of his proposals to review the budget allocation to the Office pursuant to paragraph 32 of resolution 66/246 of 24 December 2011 and paragraph 31 of resolution 66/294;

27. *Encourages* the Presidents of the General Assembly to continue with the practice of periodically briefing Member States on their activities, including official travels;

28. *Underlines* the importance of the contributions of Member States to the Trust Fund in support of the Office of the President of the General Assembly, and in this regard encourages Member States to contribute to the Fund;

29. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session, in cooperation with the Secretariat, to report to the Ad Hoc Working Group on the role, mandate and activities of the President;

30. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Ad Hoc Working Group at the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly on sources of the funding and staffing of the Office of the President of the Assembly, including on any technical, logistical, protocol-related or financial questions, and for more clarification on the budgetary basis for the provision of such support by the Secretariat;

31. *Emphasizes* the need to ensure, from within agreed resources, that the Office of the President of the General Assembly is allocated dedicated Secretariat staff, with responsibility for coordinating the transition between Presidents, managing interactions between the President and the Secretary-General and the preservation of institutional memory;

32. *Requests* the outgoing Presidents of the General Assembly to brief their successors on the lessons learned and best practices, and requests the Secretariat, in coordination with the Office of the President of the Assembly, to explore the possibility of issuing a compendium of best practices of past Presidents, from within existing resources, which could serve to strengthen the institutional memory of the Office.

### RESOLUTION 67/298

Adopted at the 98th plenary meeting, on 4 September 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.78 and Add.1, as orally revised, sponsored by: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Belarus, China, Georgia, Israel, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, New Zealand, Republic of Moldova, Sri Lanka, Turkey, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

#### **67/298. Developing cooperation for better connectivity and telecommunications transit routes in the Trans-Eurasian region**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 64/186 of 21 December 2009 and 67/194 of 21 December 2012,

1. *Emphasizes* the importance of improving connectivity and telecommunications transit routes in the Trans-Eurasian region, and in this regard takes note of the proposal on the establishment of the Eurasian Connectivity Alliance aimed at highlighting synergies among Governments, the private sector, civil society, academia and international development institutions towards improving the development of regional telecommunications transit routes;

2. *Invites*, in this regard, Governments, the United Nations system and international development institutions, within their current mandates and core competencies, and within existing resources, as well as the private sector, civil society and academia, to engage in relevant discussions on the proposed Eurasian Connectivity Alliance.

### RESOLUTION 67/299

Adopted at the 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.80 and Add.1, sponsored by: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, Finland, France, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Liberia (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States), Lithuania, Luxembourg, Montenegro, New Zealand, Norway, Slovenia, Suriname, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

**67/299. Consolidating gains and accelerating efforts to control and eliminate malaria in developing countries, particularly in Africa, by 2015**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* that the period 2001–2010 was proclaimed by the General Assembly as the Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa,<sup>127</sup> and that combating HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis and other diseases is included in the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals,

*Recalling also* the malaria-related goals and commitments in the outcome document of the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals,<sup>128</sup>

*Recalling further* its resolution 66/289 of 10 September 2012 and all previous resolutions concerning the struggle against malaria in developing countries, particularly in Africa,

*Recalling* World Health Assembly resolution 60.18 of 23 May 2007, urging a broad range of national and international actions to scale up malaria control programmes,<sup>129</sup> and resolution 61.18 of 24 May 2008 on monitoring the achievement of health-related Millennium Development Goals,<sup>130</sup>

*Bearing in mind* the relevant resolutions of the Economic and Social Council relating to the struggle against malaria and diarrhoeal diseases, in particular resolution 1998/36 of 30 July 1998,

*Taking note* of all declarations and decisions on health issues, in particular those related to malaria, adopted by the Organization of African Unity and the African Union, including the Abuja Declaration on HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Other Related Infectious Diseases, containing the pledge to allocate at least 15 per cent of national budgets to the health sector, the Abuja call for accelerated action towards universal access to HIV and AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria services in Africa, issued by the Heads of State and Government of the African Union at the special summit of the African Union on HIV and AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria, held in Abuja from 2 to 4 May 2006, the decision of the Assembly of the African Union at its fifteenth ordinary session, held in Kampala from 25 to 27 July 2010, to extend the Abuja call to 2015 to coincide with the Millennium Development Goals, and the declaration of the special summit of the African Union on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria, held in Abuja from 12 to 16 July 2013,

*Recognizing* the leadership provided by the African Leaders Malaria Alliance and the continued commitment to help to achieve the 2015 targets, and encouraging the members of the Alliance to continue to provide political leadership at the highest level in the fight against malaria in Africa,

*Welcoming* the selection by the Secretary-General of malaria as one of the top priorities of his second mandate and his commitment to develop new partnerships and improve existing ones and to scale up high-impact interventions aimed at significantly reducing the number of deaths from malaria,

*Recognizing* the linkages among efforts being made to reach the targets set at the Extraordinary Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, held in Abuja on 24 and 25 April 2000, as necessary and important for the attainment of the “Roll Back Malaria” goal<sup>131</sup> and the targets of the Millennium Development Goals by 2010 and 2015, respectively, and welcoming in this regard the commitment of Member States to respond to the specific needs of Africa,

*Recognizing also* that malaria-related ill health and deaths throughout the world can be substantially reduced with political commitment and commensurate resources if the public is educated and sensitized about malaria and appropriate health services are made available, particularly in countries where the disease is endemic,

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<sup>127</sup> Resolution 55/284.

<sup>128</sup> Resolution 65/1.

<sup>129</sup> See World Health Organization, document WHASS1/2006-WHA60/2007/REC/1.

<sup>130</sup> See World Health Organization, document WHA61/2008/REC/1.

<sup>131</sup> A/55/240/Add.1, annex.

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*Recognizing further* that malaria control interventions have a positive impact on overall child and maternal mortality rates and could help African countries to reach Millennium Development Goals 4 and 5 of reducing child mortality and improving maternal health, respectively, by 2015,

*Acknowledging* the progress made in parts of Africa in reversing the high burden of malaria through political engagement and sustainable national malaria control programmes, as well as the progress being made towards achieving by 2015 the goals concerning malaria control set by the World Health Assembly and the Roll Back Malaria Partnership,

*Recognizing* that, despite the fact that increased global and national investments in malaria control have yielded significant results in decreasing the burden of malaria in many countries and that some countries are moving towards elimination of malaria, many countries continue to have unacceptably high burdens of malaria and in order to reach internationally agreed development goals, including the health-related Millennium Development Goals, must rapidly increase malaria prevention and control efforts, which rely heavily on medicines and insecticides whose utility is continuously threatened by the development of resistance in humans to antimalarial agents, as well as resistance of mosquitoes to insecticides,

*Recognizing also* the challenges relating to substandard, falsified and counterfeit drugs, as well as poor malaria diagnostics,

*Expressing concern* about the continued morbidity, mortality and debility attributed to malaria, and recalling that more efforts are needed if the Abuja malaria targets and the malaria and Millennium Development Goal targets for 2015 are to be reached on time,

*Emphasizing* the importance of strengthening health systems to effectively sustain malaria control and elimination,

*Commending* the efforts of the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the Roll Back Malaria Partnership, the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, the World Bank and other partners to fight malaria over the years,

*Taking note with appreciation* of the Global Malaria Action Plan developed by the Roll Back Malaria Partnership,

1. *Welcomes* the report prepared by the World Health Organization,<sup>132</sup> and calls for support for the implementation of the recommendations contained therein;

2. *Calls for* increased support for the implementation of international commitments and goals pertaining to the fight to eliminate malaria as stipulated in the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals;

3. *Encourages* Member States, relevant organizations of the United Nations system, international institutions, non-governmental organizations, the private sector and civil society to continue to observe World Malaria Day in order to raise public awareness of and knowledge about the prevention, control and treatment of malaria as well as the importance of meeting the Millennium Development Goals, and stresses the importance of engaging local communities in this regard;

4. *Encourages* the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Malaria to continue raising issues relating to malaria in collaboration with other United Nations organizations already working on those issues in the context of the international political and development agendas and to work with national and global leaders to help to secure the political will, partnerships and funds to drastically reduce malaria deaths by 2015 through increased access to prevention, diagnosis and treatment, especially in Africa;

5. *Welcomes* the increased funding, while recognizing the need for additional funding, for malaria interventions and for research and development of preventive, diagnostic and control tools from the international community, through funding from multilateral and bilateral sources and from the private sector, as well as by making predictable financing available through appropriate and effective aid modalities and in-country health financing mechanisms aligned with national priorities, which are key to strengthening health systems, including

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<sup>132</sup> See A/67/825.

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malaria surveillance, and promoting universal and equitable access to high-quality malaria prevention, diagnostic and treatment services, and noting in this regard that a high level of external assistance per person at risk for malaria is associated with a decrease in the incidence of the disease;

6. *Urges* the international community, United Nations agencies and private organizations and foundations to support the implementation of the Global Malaria Action Plan, including through support for programmes and activities at the country level in order to achieve internationally agreed targets on malaria;

7. *Calls upon* the international community to continue to support the secretariat of the Roll Back Malaria Partnership and partner organizations, including the World Health Organization, the World Bank and the United Nations Children's Fund, as vital complementary sources of support for the efforts of malaria-endemic countries to combat the disease;

8. *Urges* the international community to work in a spirit of cooperation towards effective, increased, harmonized, predictable and sustained bilateral and multilateral assistance and research to combat malaria, including support for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, in order to assist States, in particular malaria-endemic countries, to implement sound national plans, in particular health plans and sanitation plans, including malaria control strategies which may include evidence-based, cost-effective and context-appropriate environmental management solutions, and integrated management of childhood illnesses, in a sustained and equitable way that, *inter alia*, contributes to strengthening health system development approaches at the district level;

9. *Appeals* to the malaria partners to resolve the financial supply chain and delivery bottlenecks that are responsible for stock-outs of long-lasting insecticide-treated nets, rapid diagnostic tests and artemisinin-based combination therapies at the national level, whenever they occur, including through the strengthening of malaria programme management at the country level;

10. *Welcomes* the contribution to the mobilization of additional and predictable resources for development by voluntary innovative financing initiatives taken by groups of Member States, and in this regard notes the International Drug Purchase Facility, UNITAID, the International Finance Facility for Immunization, the advance market commitments for vaccines, the GAVI Alliance and phase one of the Affordable Medicines Facility for Malaria pilot, and expresses support for the work of the Leading Group on Innovative Financing for Development and its special task force on innovative financing for health;

11. *Urges* malaria-endemic countries to work towards financial sustainability, to increase, to the extent possible, national resource allocation to malaria control and to create favourable conditions for working with the private sector in order to improve access to good-quality malaria services;

12. *Urges* Member States to assess and respond to the needs for integrated human resources at all levels of the health system in order to achieve the targets of the Abuja Declaration on Roll Back Malaria in Africa<sup>131</sup> and the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, to take action, as appropriate, to effectively govern the recruitment, training and retention of skilled health personnel, and to give particular focus to the availability of skilled personnel at all levels to meet technical and operational needs as increased funding for malaria control programmes becomes available;

13. *Urges* the international community, *inter alia*, to support the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria to enable it to meet its financial needs and, through country-led initiatives with adequate international support, to intensify access to affordable, safe and effective antimalarial treatments, including artemisinin-based combination therapies, intermittent preventive therapies for pregnant women, children under five and infants, adequate diagnostic facilities, long-lasting insecticide-treated mosquito nets, including, where appropriate, through the free distribution of such nets and, where appropriate, to insecticides for indoor residual spraying for malaria control, taking into account relevant international rules, including the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants<sup>133</sup> standards and guidelines;

14. *Requests* relevant international organizations, in particular the World Health Organization and the United Nations Children's Fund, to assist efforts of national Governments to provide universal access to malaria control interventions to address all at-risk populations, in particular young children and pregnant women, in malaria-

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<sup>133</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2256, No. 40214.

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endemic countries, particularly in Africa, as rapidly as possible, with due regard to ensuring proper use of those interventions, including long-lasting insecticide-treated nets, and sustainability through full community participation and implementation through the health system;

15. *Calls upon* Member States, in particular malaria-endemic countries, with the support of the international community, to establish and/or strengthen national policies, operational plans and research, with a view to scaling up efforts to achieve internationally agreed malaria targets for 2015, in accordance with the technical recommendations of the World Health Organization;

16. *Commends* those African countries that have implemented the recommendations of the Abuja Summit in 2000 to reduce or waive taxes and tariffs for nets and other products needed for malaria control,<sup>131</sup> and encourages other countries to do the same;

17. *Calls upon* United Nations agencies and their partners to continue to provide the technical support necessary to build and enhance the capacity of Member States to implement the Global Malaria Action Plan and meet the internationally agreed goals, including the Millennium Development Goals;

18. *Expresses concern* about the increase in resistant strains of malaria in several regions of the world, calls upon Member States, with support from the World Health Organization and other partners, to implement the Global Plan for Artemisinin Resistance Containment and the Global Plan for Insecticide Resistance Management in Malaria Vectors and to strengthen and implement surveillance systems for monitoring and assessing changing patterns of drug and insecticide resistance and calls upon the World Health Organization to support Member States in the development of their national insecticide resistance management strategies and to coordinate support at the international level for countries to ensure that drug and insecticide resistance testing is fully operational in order to enhance the use of insecticides and artemisinin-based combination therapies, and stresses that the data gathered should be utilized for further research and development of safe and effective therapies;

19. *Urges* all Member States to prohibit the marketing and use of oral artemisinin-based monotherapies and to replace them with oral artemisinin-based combination therapies, as recommended by the World Health Organization, and to develop the necessary financial, legislative and regulatory mechanisms to introduce artemisinin combination therapies at affordable prices in both public and private facilities;

20. *Recognizes* the importance of the development of safe and cost-effective vaccines and new medicines to prevent and treat malaria and the need for further and accelerated research, including into safe, effective and high-quality therapies, using rigorous standards, including by providing support to the Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases,<sup>134</sup> through effective global partnerships, such as the various malaria vaccine initiatives and the Medicines for Malaria Venture, where necessary stimulated by new incentives to secure their development, and through effective and timely support towards pre-qualification of new antimalarials and their combinations;

21. *Calls upon* the international community, including through existing partnerships, to increase investment in and efforts towards research to optimize current tools, develop and validate new, safe and affordable malaria-related medicines, products and technologies, such as vaccines, rapid diagnostic tests, insecticides and their delivery modes, to prevent and treat malaria, especially for at-risk children and pregnant women, and testing opportunities for integration in order to enhance effectiveness and delay the onset of resistance;

22. *Calls upon* malaria-endemic countries to assure favourable conditions for research institutions, including allocation of adequate resources and development of national policies and legal frameworks, where appropriate, with a view to, inter alia, informing policy formulation and strategic interventions on malaria;

23. *Reaffirms* the right to use, to the fullest extent, the provisions contained in the World Trade Organization Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS Agreement), the Doha Declaration on the TRIPS Agreement and Public Health, the decision of the General Council of the World Trade Organization of 30 August 2003 on the implementation of paragraph 6 of the Doha Declaration on the TRIPS Agreement and Public Health, and, when formal acceptance procedures are completed, the amendment to article 31 of the Agreement,

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<sup>134</sup> A joint programme of the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the World Bank and the World Health Organization.

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which provide flexibilities for the protection of public health, and in particular to promote access to medicines for all and to encourage the provision of assistance to developing countries in this regard, and calls for broad and timely acceptance of the amendment to article 31 of the Agreement, as proposed by the General Council of the World Trade Organization in its decision of 6 December 2005;

24. *Calls upon* the international community to support ways to expand access to affordable, effective and safe products and treatments, such as vector control measures, including indoor residual spraying, long-lasting insecticide-treated nets, including through the free distribution of such nets, adequate diagnostic facilities, intermittent preventive therapies for pregnant women, children under five and infants, and artemisinin-based combination therapy for populations at risk of falciparum malaria infection in endemic countries, particularly in Africa, including through additional funds and innovative mechanisms, inter alia, for the financing and scaling up of artemisinin production and procurement, as appropriate, to meet the increased need;

25. *Recognizes* the impact of the Roll Back Malaria Partnership, and welcomes the increased level of public-private partnerships for malaria control and prevention, including the financial and in-kind contributions of private sector partners and companies operating in Africa, as well as the increased engagement of non-governmental service providers;

26. *Encourages* the producers of long-lasting insecticide-treated nets to accelerate technology transfer to developing countries, and invites the World Bank and regional development funds to consider supporting malaria-endemic countries in establishing factories to scale up production of long-lasting insecticide-treated nets;

27. *Calls upon* Member States and the international community, including malaria-endemic countries, in accordance with existing guidelines and recommendations of the World Health Organization and the requirements of the Stockholm Convention related to the use of DDT, to become fully knowledgeable about the technical policies and strategies of the World Health Organization and the provisions of the Stockholm Convention, including for indoor residual spraying, long-lasting insecticide-treated nets and case management, intermittent preventive therapies for pregnant women, children under five and infants and monitoring of in vivo resistance studies to artemisinin-based combination therapies, as well as to increase capacity for the safe, effective and judicious use of indoor residual spraying and other forms of vector control, including quality control measures, in accordance with international rules, standards and guidelines;

28. *Requests* the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund and donor agencies to provide support to those countries that choose to use DDT for indoor residual spraying so as to ensure that it is implemented in accordance with international rules, standards and guidelines, and to provide all possible support to malaria-endemic countries to manage the intervention effectively and prevent the contamination, in particular, of agricultural products with DDT and other insecticides used for indoor residual spraying;

29. *Encourages* the World Health Organization and its member States, with the support of the parties to the Stockholm Convention, to continue to explore possible alternatives to DDT as a vector control agent;

30. *Calls upon* malaria-endemic countries to encourage regional and intersectoral collaboration, both public and private, at all levels, especially in education, health, agriculture, economic development and the environment, to advance malaria control objectives, looks forward, therefore, to the presentation to Member States of the Action Framework for a Multisectoral Approach to Malaria, developed by the Roll Back Malaria Partnership and the United Nations Development Programme, and recognizes the importance of a multisectoral approach to advance global control efforts;

31. *Encourages* sharing, across regions, of knowledge, experience and lessons learned with regard to the control and elimination of malaria, particularly between the Africa, Asia-Pacific and Latin America regions;

32. *Calls upon* the international community to support the strengthening of health systems, national pharmaceutical policies and national drug regulatory authorities, to monitor and fight against the trade in counterfeit and substandard antimalarial medicines and prevent their distribution and use, and to support coordinated efforts, inter alia, by providing technical assistance to improve surveillance, monitoring and evaluation systems and their alignment with national plans and systems so as to better track and report changes in coverage, the need for scaling up recommended interventions and the subsequent reductions in the burden of malaria;

33. *Urges* Member States, the international community and all relevant actors, including the private sector, to promote the coordinated implementation and enhance the quality of malaria-related activities, including through

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the Roll Back Malaria Partnership, in accordance with national policies and operational plans that are consistent with the technical recommendations of the World Health Organization and recent efforts and initiatives, including, where appropriate, the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness and the Accra Agenda for Action, adopted at the Third High-level Forum on Aid Effectiveness, held in Accra from 2 to 4 September 2008,<sup>135</sup>

34. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in close collaboration with the Director General of the World Health Organization and in consultation with Member States, to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session on the implementation of the present resolution, and specifically on progress towards achieving the 2015 targets of the Abuja Declaration and those of the Global Malaria Action Plan and Millennium Development Goal 6, including identification of best practices and successes and specific challenges limiting the achievement of the targets and, taking these into account, to provide recommendations to ensure that the targets are reached by 2015.

### RESOLUTION 67/300

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#### **67/300. Modalities for the sixth High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* the International Conference on Financing for Development, held in Monterrey, Mexico, from 18 to 22 March 2002, the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus, held in Doha from 29 November to 2 December 2008, and its resolutions 56/210 B of 9 July 2002, 57/250 of 20 December 2002, 57/270 B of 23 June 2003, 57/272 and 57/273 of 20 December 2002, 58/230 of 23 December 2003, 59/225 of 22 December 2004, 60/188 of 22 December 2005, 61/191 of 20 December 2006, 62/187 of 19 December 2007, 63/239 of 24 December 2008, 64/193 of 21 December 2009, 65/145 of 20 December 2010, 66/191 of 22 December 2011 and 67/199 of 21 December 2012, as well as Economic and Social Council resolutions 2002/34 of 26 July 2002, 2003/47 of 24 July 2003, 2004/64 of 16 September 2004, 2006/45 of 28 July 2006, 2007/30 of 27 July 2007, 2008/14 of 24 July 2008, 2010/26 of 23 July 2010, 2011/38 of 28 July 2011, 2012/31 of 27 July 2012 and 2013/44 of 26 July 2013,

1. *Decides* to hold its sixth High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development on 7 and 8 October 2013 at United Nations Headquarters;

2. *Takes note* of the note by the Secretary-General on the proposed organization of work of the sixth High-level Dialogue,<sup>136</sup>

3. *Decides* that the overall theme of the sixth High-level Dialogue shall be “The Monterrey Consensus, the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development and related outcomes of major United Nations conferences and summits: status of implementation and tasks ahead”;

4. *Stresses* the importance of the full involvement of all relevant stakeholders in the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus<sup>137</sup> at all levels, and also stresses the importance of their full participation in the financing for development follow-up process, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, in particular the accreditation procedures and modalities of participation utilized at the Monterrey and Doha Conferences;

5. *Decides* that the modalities for the sixth High-level Dialogue shall be the same as those used for the fifth High-level Dialogue, as described in General Assembly resolution 65/314 of 12 September 2011;

6. *Also decides* that the sixth High-level Dialogue shall consist of a series of plenary and informal meetings, three interactive multi-stakeholder round tables and an informal interactive dialogue;

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<sup>135</sup> A/63/539, annex.

<sup>136</sup> A/67/945.

<sup>137</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18–22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

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7. *Further decides* that the themes of the round tables and of the informal interactive dialogue shall be as follows:

(a) Round table 1: The impact of the world financial and economic crisis on the reform of the international monetary and financial system and its implications for development;

(b) Round table 2: The mobilization of public and private financing, including foreign direct investment and other private flows, and the fostering of international trade and sustainable debt financing, in the context of financing for development;

(c) Round table 3: The role of financial and technical development cooperation, including innovative sources of development finance, in leveraging the mobilization of domestic and international financial resources for sustainable development;

(d) Informal interactive dialogue: The link between financing for development and achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and advancing the United Nations development agenda beyond 2015;

8. *Decides* that the sixth High-level Dialogue shall result in a summary by the President of the General Assembly, which will be issued as a document of the Assembly.

### RESOLUTION 67/302

Adopted at the 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.67/Rev.1 and Add.1, sponsored by: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Eritrea (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of African States), Estonia, Finland, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Malaysia, Montenegro, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

#### **67/302. Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations,<sup>138</sup>

*Recalling* the provisions of Chapter VIII of the Charter of the United Nations, as well as its resolutions 55/218 of 21 December 2000, 56/48 of 7 December 2001, 57/48 of 21 November 2002, 59/213 of 20 December 2004, 61/296 of 17 September 2007, 63/310 of 14 September 2009 and 65/274 of 18 April 2011,

*Recalling also* the principles enshrined in the Constitutive Act of the African Union adopted in 2000 in Lomé,<sup>139</sup>

*Recalling further* the decisions and declarations adopted by the Assembly of the African Union at all its ordinary and extraordinary sessions,

*Recalling* the adoption of the framework for the 10-year capacity-building programme for the African Union set out in the declaration on enhancing United Nations-African Union cooperation, signed in Addis Ababa on 16 November 2006 by the Secretary-General and the Chair of the African Union Commission,<sup>140</sup> which highlights the key areas for cooperation between the African Union and the United Nations,

*Welcoming,* while taking into account the role of the General Assembly, the statements by the President of the Security Council of 19 November 2004 on the institutional relationship with the African Union,<sup>141</sup> of 28 March

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<sup>138</sup> A/67/280-S/2012/614.

<sup>139</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2158, No. 37733.

<sup>140</sup> A/61/630, annex.

<sup>141</sup> S/PRST/2004/44; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2004–31 July 2005*.

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2007 on the relationship between the United Nations and regional organizations, in particular the African Union, in the maintenance of international peace and security<sup>142</sup> and of 18 March 2009 on peace and security in Africa,<sup>143</sup> as well as Council resolution 1809 (2008) of 16 April 2008 and all subsequent related resolutions,

*Acknowledging* the efforts to enhance coordination and cooperation between the African Union Peace and Security Council and the United Nations Security Council in the areas of peace and security and, in particular, the joint annual consultative meetings between members of the Peace and Security Council and the Security Council,

*Welcoming* the establishment of the United Nations-African Union Joint Task Force on Peace and Security, and commending the continued efforts to support this important framework for furthering the strategic partnership on peace and security between the Secretariat and the African Union Commission,

*Welcoming also* the efforts to enhance cooperation between the peace and security structure of the United Nations and the peace and security architecture of the African Union in the realms of conflict prevention and resolution, early warning, mediation, crisis management, peacekeeping, security sector reform and post-conflict peacebuilding in Africa, including efforts to implement the African Union Framework for Post-conflict Reconstruction and Development,

*Acknowledging* the significant contribution made by the African Union towards preventing and combating terrorism, and noting the centrality of the international partnership and cooperation among the African Union, the relevant United Nations organs and the wider international community in the global fight against terrorism,

*Recognizing* the need to enhance the strategic relationship between the United Nations and the African Union, as a basis for a more effective partnership embodying the principles of mutual respect when addressing issues of mutual concern,

*Welcoming* the efforts of the African Union and the United Nations, together with other international partners, to provide effective support for peacekeeping missions undertaken in accordance with Chapter VIII of the Charter of the United Nations by regional organizations, in particular the African Union, with reference to start-up funding, equipment, logistics and long-term capacity-building, as reflected in Security Council resolution 1809 (2008),

*Welcoming also* Security Council resolution 2033 (2012) of 12 January 2012, in which the Council reiterated the importance of establishing a more effective relationship between the Council and the African Union Peace and Security Council in the areas of conflict prevention, resolution and management, electoral assistance and regional conflict prevention offices,

*Noting* that, on the occasion of the special session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the African Union on the consideration and resolution of conflicts in Africa, held in Tripoli on 31 August 2009, the Heads of State and Government of the African Union adopted the Tripoli Declaration on the Elimination of Conflicts in Africa and the Promotion of Sustainable Peace and the Plan of Action<sup>144</sup> and declared 2010 as the Year of Peace and Security in Africa, under the general slogan “Make peace happen”, and commending the efforts being made by the African Union and various partners in this regard,

*Bearing in mind* the United Nations Declaration on the New Partnership for Africa’s Development,<sup>145</sup> recalled in various relevant resolutions adopted since 2002,<sup>146</sup>

*Recognizing* the pivotal need to bring Africa into the mainstream of the global economy and to strengthen the global partnership to address the special development needs of Africa, in particular the eradication of poverty, and in this regard welcoming the political declaration adopted on 22 September 2008, on the occasion of the high-level meeting on the theme “Africa’s development needs: state of implementation of various commitments, challenges

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<sup>142</sup> S/PRST/2007/7; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2006–31 July 2007*.

<sup>143</sup> S/PRST/2009/3; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2008–31 July 2009*.

<sup>144</sup> S/2009/461, annexes I and II.

<sup>145</sup> Resolution 57/2.

<sup>146</sup> Resolutions 57/7, 58/233, 59/254, 60/222, 61/229, 62/179, 63/267, 64/258, 65/284, 66/286 and 67/294.

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and the way forward”,<sup>147</sup> and reaffirming the importance of its implementation and the responsibilities of the States members of the African Union and of the United Nations in this regard, as well as the implementation of the New Partnership for Africa’s Development,<sup>148</sup>

*Acknowledging* the increasing relevance of Africa’s strategic partnerships to the development of the continent, and expressing appreciation for the active role played by the United Nations and the African Union in facilitating these relationships to enhance the response to Africa’s development needs,

*Stressing* the need to extend the scope of cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union in the area of combating the illegal exploitation of natural resources in Africa,

*Emphasizing* the importance of the effective, coordinated and integrated implementation of the United Nations Millennium Declaration,<sup>149</sup> the Doha Development Agenda,<sup>150</sup> the Monterrey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing for Development,<sup>151</sup> the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development: outcome document of the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus,<sup>152</sup> the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg Plan of Implementation)<sup>153</sup> and the 2005 World Summit Outcome,<sup>154</sup>

*Noting* the adoption of both the African Maritime Transport Charter by the Assembly of the African Union at its fifteenth ordinary session, held in Kampala from 25 to 27 July 2010, and Africa’s Integrated Maritime Strategy 2050 by the African Ministers responsible for Maritime-related Affairs in December 2012 as instruments that can help to enhance international trade and development,

*Emphasizing* the importance of the 1995 World Summit for Social Development, at which the Copenhagen Declaration on Social Development was adopted,<sup>155</sup> the 1995 Fourth World Conference on Women and the outcomes of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly,<sup>156</sup> and stressing the importance for all Member States of the full and effective implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action<sup>157</sup> and the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development,<sup>158</sup>

*Recalling* the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption and the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights on the Rights of Women in Africa, which were both adopted in Maputo on 11 July 2003,

*Recommitting* to improving the effectiveness of development assistance, including the fundamental principles of ownership, alignment, harmonization, managing for results and mutual accountability, and calling for a continuing dialogue to improve the effectiveness of aid, including the full implementation of the Accra Agenda for Action<sup>159</sup> by countries and organizations that commit to it,

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<sup>147</sup> Resolution 63/1.

<sup>148</sup> A/57/304, annex.

<sup>149</sup> Resolution 55/2.

<sup>150</sup> See A/C.2/56/7, annex.

<sup>151</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18–22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

<sup>152</sup> Resolution 63/239, annex.

<sup>153</sup> *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August–4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.

<sup>154</sup> Resolution 60/1.

<sup>155</sup> *Report of the World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen, 6–12 March 1995* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.8), chap. I, resolution 1, annex I; see also resolution 63/152.

<sup>156</sup> Resolution S-23/2, annex, and resolution S-23/3, annex.

<sup>157</sup> *Report of the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, 4–15 September 1995* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.96.IV.13), chap. I, resolution 1, annexes I and II.

<sup>158</sup> *Report of the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 5–13 September 1994* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.XIII.18), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

<sup>159</sup> A/63/539, annex.

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*Acknowledging* the contribution of the United Nations Office to the African Union in Addis Ababa in strengthening coordination and cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union in the areas of peace and security, and recognizing the efforts made to consolidate the Office so as to enhance its performance in view of the expanding scope for cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union in those areas,

*Convinced* that strengthening cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union will contribute to the advancement of the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, the principles of the Constitutive Act of the African Union and the framework for the 10-year capacity-building programme for the African Union, taking note in this regard of the report of the Secretary-General on the review of the 10-year capacity-building programme,<sup>160</sup> and requesting the Secretary-General to continue to take appropriate measures to strengthen the capacity of the Secretariat and to implement its mandate with respect to meeting the special needs of Africa in accordance with the established United Nations procedures,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General;<sup>138</sup>

2. *Recalls* that the Security Council has the primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security, and requests the United Nations system to intensify its assistance to the African Union, as appropriate, in strengthening the African peace and security architecture, including the institutional and operational capacity of its Peace and Security Council, and in coordinating with other international partners when needed;

3. *Emphasizes* the need to pursue the ongoing measures to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union, and in this regard recognizes the important roles and support of the United Nations Office to the African Union in Addis Ababa, integrating the United Nations Liaison Office to the African Union;

4. *Recalls* Security Council resolution 2033 (2012) and other relevant resolutions in which the Council called for the strengthening of cooperation and communication between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations or arrangements, and encourages coordination and cooperation between the United Nations system and regional and subregional organizations and regional economic communities in advocacy and in the mobilization of support of the international community to African countries and towards the priorities of their continental and regional institutions;

5. *Also recalls* the signing of the declaration on enhancing United Nations-African Union cooperation<sup>140</sup> and the ongoing efforts in this regard, notes with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General on the review of the 10-year capacity-building programme for the African Union,<sup>160</sup> and underlines the importance of accelerating the implementation of the programme, urges all stakeholders to support the full implementation of the programme in all its aspects, in particular the operationalization of the key areas of cooperation, including the African Standby Force, and requests the Secretary-General to report on progress achieved in this regard;

6. *Recognizes* the need to enhance the predictability, sustainability and flexibility of financing of development and humanitarian issues for regional organizations, including the African Union, when they undertake peacekeeping operations under a United Nations mandate, and notes the determination of the Security Council to continue working on this issue in accordance with its responsibilities under the Charter of the United Nations;

7. *Welcomes* the report of the Secretary-General on support to African Union peacekeeping operations authorized by the United Nations<sup>161</sup> and the related statement by the President of the Security Council of 22 October 2010<sup>162</sup> as important steps towards the further strengthening of the partnership between the Security Council and the African Union Peace and Security Council;

8. *Notes with appreciation* the ongoing efforts of the African Union to address the issue of the protection of civilians in armed conflict and in the context of peacekeeping operations, and encourages the United Nations to continue its support in this regard;

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<sup>160</sup> A/65/716-S/2011/54.

<sup>161</sup> A/65/510-S/2010/514.

<sup>162</sup> S/PRST/2010/21; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1 August 2010–31 July 2011*.

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9. *Encourages* the continuing efforts of the United Nations-African Union Joint Task Force on Peace and Security as an important framework for furthering the strategic partnership on peace and security between the Secretariat and the African Union Commission, and looks forward to the next meeting, to be held in September 2013;

10. *Stresses* the urgent need for the United Nations and the African Union to develop close cooperation and concrete programmes aimed at addressing the problems posed by landmines, illicit trafficking in small arms and light weapons and transnational organized crime, including maritime piracy and trafficking in persons and drugs, and children affected by armed conflict, within the framework of the relevant declarations and resolutions adopted by the two organizations;

11. *Calls upon* the United Nations system, the African Union and the international community to intensify their cooperation in the global fight against terrorism through the implementation of the relevant international and regional treaties and protocols and, in particular, the African Plan of Action adopted in Algiers on 14 September 2002, as well as their support for the operation of the African Centre for Studies and Research on Terrorism, inaugurated in Algiers in October 2004;

12. *Calls upon* the United Nations system to intensify its efforts, in collaboration with the African Union, in combating the illegal exploitation of natural resources, in particular in conflict areas, in accordance with relevant resolutions and decisions of the United Nations and the African Union;

13. *Also calls upon* the United Nations system to continue its support for the African Union and its member States in their efforts to implement the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, and requests the Secretary-General and the international community to fulfil the commitments that they undertook during the high-level event on the Millennium Development Goals, held in New York in 2008, and the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals, held in New York from 20 to 22 September 2010;

14. *Expresses deep concern* that, less than three years before the target date for the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, most African countries remain off track for achieving them, and in this regard requests the United Nations, and encourages development partners, to accelerate support for African countries in their efforts to achieve the Millennium Development Goals;

15. *Urges* the United Nations system to coordinate closely with the African Union Commission and its structures relating to the New Partnership for Africa's Development<sup>148</sup> through the Regional Coordination Mechanism in order to enhance overall coordination, monitoring and evaluation of all development programmes and projects of all international development stakeholders;

16. *Stresses* the need for closer cooperation and coordination between the United Nations system and the African Union, in accordance with the Cooperation Agreement<sup>163</sup> and other relevant memorandums of understanding between the two organizations, in particular in the implementation of the commitments contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration<sup>149</sup> and the 2005 World Summit Outcome<sup>154</sup> and as regards achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, at the national, subregional and regional levels;

17. *Urges* the United Nations system to support implementation of the outcome of the special summit of the African Union on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria, held in Abuja from 12 to 16 July 2013, and the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS,<sup>164</sup> through, inter alia, donations and access to drugs at affordable prices, so as to combat or control the spread of those diseases, including the eradication of mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS, as decided by the Assembly of the African Union at its fifteenth ordinary session, held in Kampala from 25 to 27 July 2010;

18. *Invites* the United Nations system to enhance its support for African countries in their efforts to implement the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation,<sup>153</sup> and to support efforts aimed at strengthening cooperation among the African Union Commission, the African Development Bank and the Economic Commission for Africa to address the development challenges of Africa;

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<sup>163</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1580, No. 1044.

<sup>164</sup> Resolution S-26/2, annex.

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19. *Calls upon* the United Nations to take special measures to address the challenges of poverty eradication through its agencies, funds and programmes, noting the importance of addressing food security, building productive capacities and creating employment opportunities, the agriculture partnership to combat hunger, universal primary education initiatives, gender equality programmes, improved maternal health programmes and HIV/AIDS education, prevention, treatment, care and support, and including, as appropriate, debt cancellation, enhanced official development assistance, increases in flows of foreign direct investment and transfer of technology on mutually agreed terms;

20. *Notes* the establishment on 11 October 2010 of a joint secretariat for the African Union Commission, the African Development Bank and the Economic Commission for Africa, to be based at the headquarters of the Economic Commission in Addis Ababa, to enhance coherence and cooperation and information-sharing, as well as to build stronger links among the departments and divisions of the three institutions in support of the development agenda of Africa;

21. *Encourages* the deepening of collaboration between the United Nations and the African Union, recalling the African Union Framework for Post-conflict Reconstruction and Development and the efforts of the Peacebuilding Commission to enhance international support for African countries on the agenda of the Commission, and reiterates the need for enhanced coordination and consultations between the Commission and the African Union on assistance for countries emerging from conflict;

22. *Welcomes* the launching by the African Union on 13 July 2012 in Addis Ababa of the African solidarity initiative to support post-conflict reconstruction and development in Africa, emphasizes the need to enhance the capacity of the African Union to support the sharing of lessons learned and expertise among post-conflict countries and those countries that have undergone peacebuilding processes in Africa, and calls upon the United Nations system and relevant partners to support the initiative;

23. *Invites* the Secretary-General to request all relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes to intensify their efforts to support cooperation with the African Union, including through the implementation of the protocols to the Constitutive Act of the African Union<sup>139</sup> and the Treaty establishing the African Economic Community,<sup>165</sup> and, in cooperation with other international partners, to assist in harmonizing the programmes of the African Union with those of the African regional economic communities with a view to enhancing regional economic cooperation and integration;

24. *Encourages* the United Nations system to effectively support the efforts of the African Union by urging the international community to strive for the successful and timely completion of the Doha round of trade negotiations, including negotiations aimed at substantial improvements in areas such as trade-related measures, including market access, to promote sustainable growth in Africa;

25. *Welcomes* the renewed call for action on implementation of the Plan of Action towards Africa Fit for Children (2013–2017), adopted during the third Pan-African Forum on Children, held on 19 and 20 November 2012 in Addis Ababa, and calls upon the United Nations system to assist the African Union and its member States, at their request, in expediting its implementation;

26. *Calls upon* the United Nations system and the African Union to develop a coherent and effective strategy, including through joint programmes and activities, for the promotion and protection of human rights in Africa, within the framework of the implementation of regional and international treaties, resolutions and plans of action adopted by the two organizations;

27. *Requests* the United Nations system to cooperate with the African Union and its member States in the implementation of appropriate policies for the promotion of the culture of democracy, including the effective application of the African Charter on Democracy, Elections and Governance, as well as the promotion of good governance, respect for human rights and the rule of law, and the strengthening of democratic institutions;

28. *Urges* the United Nations system to continue to implement General Assembly resolutions 58/149 of 22 December 2003 and 63/149 of 18 December 2008 on assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa, and to effectively support African countries in their efforts to incorporate the problems of refugees into national and regional development plans, and in this regard recalls the Plan of Action for the implementation of the

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<sup>165</sup> A/46/651, annex.

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outcome of the 2009 special summit of Heads of State and Government of the African Union on refugees, returnees and internally displaced persons in Africa and the adoption of the African Union Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa, adopted on 23 October 2009;

29. *Welcomes and supports* the ongoing efforts of the African Union to support gender equality, the empowerment of women and social development, and recalls in this regard the declaration of the African Women's Decade by the Assembly of the African Union in February 2009, and the African Union Gender Policy, the Social Policy Framework for Africa and the Windhoek Declaration on Social Development, adopted by the Executive Council of the African Union in January 2009;<sup>166</sup>

30. *Encourages* the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) to support the efforts of African countries in the areas of empowerment of women and gender equality;

31. *Encourages* the United Nations to work with the African Union and its partners to ensure more effective implementation of the relevant Security Council resolutions and statements by the President of the Council relating to women and peace and security, including resolutions 1325 (2000) of 31 October 2000, 1820 (2008) of 19 June 2008, 1888 (2009) of 30 September 2009, 1889 (2009) of 5 October 2009, 1960 (2010) of 16 December 2010 and 2106 (2013) of 24 June 2013;

32. *Recalls* its resolution 63/250 of 24 December 2008 on human resources management, and urges the Secretary-General to encourage the United Nations system to work, within existing rules and regulations, towards ensuring the effective and equitable representation of African men and women at senior and policy levels at the respective headquarters of its organizations and in their regional fields of operation;

33. *Encourages* the United Nations and the African Union to pursue joint initiatives for partnerships in Africa through, inter alia, the United Nations Office to the African Union, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa and the United Nations Office for Partnerships;

34. *Welcomes* the establishment of a monitoring mechanism to review commitments made towards Africa's development,<sup>167</sup> and in this regard looks forward to the submission of the first biennial report of the Secretary-General thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session;

35. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General and the Chair of the African Union Commission, working in collaboration, to review every two years the progress made in the cooperation between the two organizations, and requests the Secretary-General to include the results of the review in his next report;

36. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session on the implementation of the present resolution.

### RESOLUTION 67/303

Adopted at the 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, without a vote, on the basis of draft resolution A/67/L.79 and Add.1, sponsored by: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Chile, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Guyana, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Kiribati, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Montenegro, Nauru, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Samoa, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, Spain, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tonga, Turkey, Tuvalu, United States of America, Vanuatu

#### 67/303. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 49/1 of 17 October 1994, 59/20 of 8 November 2004, 61/48 of 4 December 2006, 63/200 of 19 December 2008 and 65/316 of 12 September 2011,

*Recognizing* the key role the Pacific Islands Forum continues to play in promoting sustainable development, environmental protection, good governance and peace and security in the Pacific through regional cooperation,

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<sup>166</sup> See A/63/848.

<sup>167</sup> Resolution 66/293.

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*Recognizing also* the important role and contribution of the United Nations system in the Pacific,

*Reaffirming* the importance of enhanced high-level dialogue between the members of the Pacific Islands Forum and the United Nations, including regular meetings between the Secretary-General of the United Nations and Forum leaders, and welcoming in this regard the first-ever participation by a Secretary-General at a Forum, at the forty-second Forum, held on 7 and 8 September 2011, in Auckland, New Zealand, and the first summit meeting between the Secretary-General and Forum leaders, in New York on 26 September 2012,

*Noting with appreciation* the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations,<sup>168</sup>

1. *Encourages* the scheduling of the next meeting between the Secretary-General and Pacific Islands Forum leaders no later than 2014;

2. *Takes note* of the joint statements issued by Pacific Islands Forum leaders and the Secretary-General on 7 September 2011 and 26 September 2012, and urges progress towards their practical implementation in advance of the next meeting between the Secretary-General and Forum leaders;

3. *Encourages* continued support from the United Nations system for the efforts of Pacific States and relevant regional organizations to achieve sustainable development, and calls for greater accountability and reporting of the support provided by the United Nations system to Pacific Islands States;

4. *Welcomes* the progress towards enhancing cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum and its associated institutions, and reaffirms the value of further efforts to enhance this cooperation;

5. *Stresses*, in this regard, the value of close cooperation and coordination between the programmes and activities of the United Nations system and Pacific Islands Forum members, the Forum secretariat and associated institutions, welcomes recent efforts by United Nations and regional agencies in the Pacific to enhance cooperation through joint activities, working groups and other means, and encourages further practical steps to enhance such cooperation and coordination;

6. *Encourages* dialogue between United Nations regional and country teams, Pacific States and other relevant stakeholders on practical ways to achieve an enhanced and effective United Nations presence, particularly at the country level, in the Pacific region;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;

8. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-ninth session, under the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations", the sub-item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum".

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<sup>168</sup> A/67/280-S/2012/614.

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**RESOLUTION 67/301**

Adopted at the 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/425/Add.1, para. 6)<sup>1</sup>

**67/301. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2006 (XIX) of 18 February 1965 and all other relevant resolutions,

*Recalling in particular* its resolution 66/297 of 17 September 2012,

*Affirming* that the efforts of the United Nations in the peaceful settlement of disputes, including through its peacekeeping operations, are indispensable,

*Convinced* of the need for the United Nations to continue to improve its capabilities in the field of peacekeeping and to enhance the effective and efficient deployment of its peacekeeping operations,

*Considering* the contribution that all States Members of the United Nations make to peacekeeping,

*Noting* the widespread interest in contributing to the work of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations expressed by Member States, in particular troop- and police-contributing countries,

*Bearing in mind* the continuous necessity of preserving the efficiency and strengthening the effectiveness of the work of the Special Committee,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations;<sup>2</sup>

2. *Reiterates* that those Member States that become personnel contributors to the United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, become members at the following session of the Special Committee;

3. *Decides* that the Special Committee, in accordance with its mandate, shall continue its efforts for a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects and shall review the implementation of its previous proposals and consider any new proposals so as to enhance the capacity of the United Nations to fulfil its responsibilities in this field;

4. *Requests* the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Special Committee at its 2014 session;

6. *Decides* to include in the draft agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects”.

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<sup>1</sup> The draft resolution recommended in the report was sponsored in the Committee by: Argentina, Canada, Egypt, Japan, Nigeria and Poland.

<sup>2</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 19 (A/67/19).*

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**RESOLUTION 67/235 B**

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/666/Add.1, para. 7)

**67/235. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors**

**B<sup>1</sup>**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 66/232 B of 21 June 2012 and 67/235 A of 24 December 2012,

*Having considered* the financial report and audited financial statements for the 12-month period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 and the report of the Board of Auditors on the United Nations peacekeeping operations,<sup>2</sup> the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors concerning the United Nations peacekeeping operations for the financial period ended 30 June 2012<sup>3</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>4</sup>

1. *Accepts* the financial report and audited financial statements of the United Nations peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>2</sup>

2. *Takes note* of the observations and endorses the recommendations contained in the report of the Board of Auditors;<sup>5</sup>

3. *Also takes note* of the observations and endorses the recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;<sup>4</sup>

4. *Commends* the Board of Auditors for the quality of its report and the streamlined format thereof;

5. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors concerning United Nations peacekeeping operations for the financial period ended 30 June 2012;<sup>3</sup>

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors and the related recommendations of the Advisory Committee in a prompt and timely manner;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to continue to indicate an expected time frame for the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors and the priorities for their implementation, including the office holders to be held accountable and measures taken in that regard;

8. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to provide, in his next report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors concerning United Nations peacekeeping operations, a full explanation for the delays in the implementation of all outstanding recommendations of the Board, the root causes of the recurring issues and the measures to be taken;

9. *Requests* the Advisory Committee to request the Board of Auditors to follow up on its recommendation contained in paragraph 202 of its report,<sup>2</sup> taking into account the updated information provided by the Secretary-General.

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<sup>1</sup> Resolution 67/235, in section VI of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. I, becomes resolution 67/235 A.

<sup>2</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 5*, vol. II (A/67/5 (Vol. II)).

<sup>3</sup> A/67/741.

<sup>4</sup> A/67/782.

<sup>5</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 5*, vol. II (A/67/5 (Vol. II)), chap. II.

**RESOLUTION 67/244 B**

Adopted at the 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/676/Add.1, para. 6)

**67/244. Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals**

**B**<sup>6</sup>

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 66/240 B of 21 June 2012 and 67/244 A of 24 December 2012,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the construction of a new facility for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch,<sup>7</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>8</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the construction of a new facility for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch;<sup>7</sup>

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>8</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Notes with appreciation* the continued efforts of the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania in facilitating the construction project;

4. *Welcomes* the progress made in the implementation of the mandates related to the construction of the facility;

5. *Authorizes* the activities related to all phases of the construction of the facility;

6. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to establish a multi-year special account to record income and expenditures for the construction of the facility;

7. *Welcomes* the use of local knowledge in the design stage, and in this regard encourages the Secretary-General to continue his efforts in including local knowledge and capacity in the implementation of the project;

8. *Commends* the Secretary-General for the savings achieved by using in-house capacity for developing the conceptual design, and encourages him to continue to find further savings where possible during the implementation of the project;

9. *Recalls* paragraph 9 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to apply the flexible use of office space in the Arusha branch project, upon the approval by the General Assembly of flexible workspace arrangements in the Secretariat;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Office of Internal Oversight Services of the Secretariat with ensuring effective oversight of the implementation of the construction of the facility and with submitting to the General Assembly information on key findings in the context of its annual reports;

11. *Recalls* the mandate that the Mechanism should be a small, temporary and efficient structure, whose functions and size will diminish over time, with a small number of staff commensurate with its reduced functions;

12. *Also recalls* paragraph 36 of the report of the Secretary-General, and encourages the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to ensure that the required courtroom space is completed in a cost-effective manner, keeping in mind the varying judicial requirements of the Mechanism, and to continue to report thereon in the context of the performance reports;

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<sup>6</sup> Resolution 67/244, in section VI of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. I, becomes resolution 67/244 A.

<sup>7</sup> A/67/696.

<sup>8</sup> A/67/768.

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13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make further efforts to shorten the duration of the construction project, to allocate the resources provided in the most effective and efficient manner and to submit a progress report no later than at the first part of the resumed sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly;

14. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, through the Office of Central Support Services of the Department of Management of the Secretariat, to update Member States regularly on the progress of the construction project;

15. *Emphasizes* the importance of guidance, interaction and coordination between the Secretariat in New York, including the Office of Central Support Services, on the one hand, and the Mechanism, Arusha branch, on the other hand, with clear reporting lines during the implementation of the project;

16. *Stresses* the importance of the leadership and guidance of the Secretary-General and senior management, as well as of a commitment to the construction project by all parties concerned during the execution and completion of the project;

17. *Takes note* of paragraphs 21 and 22 of the report of the Secretary-General, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the procurement of goods and services for the construction project is carried out in strict compliance with the existing regulations, rules and relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions governing procurement in the United Nations;

18. *Recalls* paragraph 33 of its resolution 62/269 of 20 June 2008;

19. *Also recalls* paragraph 12 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to continue bilateral exchanges with judicial institutions such as the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights to discuss issues of mutual interest, including exploring the possibility of sharing facilities, particularly a courtroom, in the future and to report on the outcome of the exchanges in the context of the progress reports;

20. *Notes* that additional requirements for the project will be included in the proposed budget for the Mechanism for the biennium 2014–2015.

#### RESOLUTION 67/245 B

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/663/Add.1, para. 6)

#### 67/245. Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste

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*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste<sup>10</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>11</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1704 (2006) of 25 August 2006, by which the Council decided to establish a follow-on mission in Timor-Leste, the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste, for an initial period of six months, with the intention to renew it for further periods, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 2037 (2012) of 23 February 2012, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 31 December 2012,

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<sup>9</sup> Resolution 67/245, in section VI of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. I, becomes resolution 67/245 A.

<sup>10</sup> A/67/614, A/67/774 and A/67/813.

<sup>11</sup> A/67/780/Add.14.

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*Recalling also* its resolutions 61/249 A of 22 December 2006 and 61/249 B of 2 April 2007 on the financing of the Mission, and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 67/245 A of 24 December 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 7.6 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 58 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

3. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

5. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

7. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>11</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012;

9. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is liquidated with a maximum of efficiency and economy and, to the extent possible, within the appropriation of the present resolution;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

10. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>12</sup>

#### **Donation of assets to the Government of Timor-Leste**

11. *Approves* the donation of assets of the Mission, with a total inventory value of 4,546,389 dollars and corresponding residual value of 1,720,344 dollars, to the Government of Timor-Leste;

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013**

12. *Decides* to reduce the appropriation of 155,429,000 dollars approved in its resolution 66/270 of 21 June 2012 for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 by an amount of

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<sup>12</sup> A/67/614.

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53,824,100 dollars to the amount of 101,604,900 dollars, including 89,566,600 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2012 and 12,038,300 dollars for the administrative liquidation of the Mission for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2013;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

13. *Decides*, taking into account the amount of 103,469,800 dollars already apportioned among Member States under the terms of its resolutions 66/270 and 67/245 A, comprising 86,592,700 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2012, 10,094,000 dollars for the administrative liquidation of the Mission for the period from 1 January to 30 April 2013, 6,431,900 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 351,200 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, to apportion the additional amount of 4,918,200 dollars for the maintenance and administrative liquidation of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009, and the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

14. *Also decides* to reduce by 589,500 dollars the amount of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the maintenance and administrative liquidation of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 under the terms of its resolutions 66/270 and 67/245 A from the total amount of 3,858,200 dollars to 3,268,700 dollars and to add a corresponding amount of 589,500 dollars to the apportionment of 4,918,200 dollars referred to in paragraph 13 above;

15. *Takes note* of the total amount of 5,826,300 dollars, comprising the unencumbered balance of 3,757,300 dollars in respect of the financial period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, as well as the other income and adjustments in the amount of 2,069,000 dollars, and decides to defer action thereon until its sixty-eighth session;

16. *Also takes note* of the total amount of 168,400 dollars, representing the decrease in the estimated staff assessment in respect of the same period, and decides to defer action thereon until its sixty-eighth session;

17. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

18. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

19. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

20. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste".

#### **RESOLUTION 67/253**

Adopted at the 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/673/Add.1, para. 6)

#### **67/253. Progress towards an accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 59/272 of 23 December 2004 and 60/254 of 8 May 2006, section I of its resolution 60/260 of 8 May 2006 and its resolutions 60/283 of 7 July 2006, 61/245 of 22 December 2006, 63/276 of 7 April 2009, 64/259 of 29 March 2010 and 66/257 of 9 April 2012,

*Reaffirming its commitment* to strengthening accountability in the United Nations Secretariat and the accountability of the Secretary-General for the performance of the Secretariat to all Member States,

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*Emphasizing* that accountability is a central pillar of effective and efficient management that requires attention and strong commitment at all levels of the Secretariat, especially at the highest level,

*Recognizing and reaffirming* the important role of the oversight bodies in the development of an accountability system that is relevant to the United Nations,

*Acknowledging* that the development of an accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat is a complex process,

*Having considered* the second progress report of the Secretary-General on the accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat<sup>13</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>14</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the second progress report of the Secretary-General on the accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat;<sup>13</sup>

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>14</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Reiterates* the provisions of paragraphs 4 to 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 17, 19 and 20 of section I of General Assembly resolution 66/257;

4. *Notes with concern* that the current legacy systems of the United Nations related to monitoring and evaluating progress and performance, and the weaknesses in the financial reporting arrangements, do not contribute to the effective monitoring and evaluation of progress and performance;

5. *Recalls* paragraph 38 of the report of the Advisory Committee, recognizes that the results-based management framework still requires further development, and in that regard requests the Secretary-General to start to implement the framework in a phased manner by:

(a) Developing an action plan that includes specific actions to improve the implementation of results-based management in the Secretariat, in particular through the linkage of human resources management to results-based management;

(b) Incorporating into the design of Extension 2 of the Umoja enterprise resource planning project the requirements put forward by the General Assembly in the areas of planning, programming, budgeting, monitoring, reporting and evaluation;

6. *Also recalls* paragraph 34 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to further refine the results-based management framework to take into account the following:

(a) The lessons learned, challenges and opportunities related to the implementation of results-based management;

(b) How the Organization is shifting its focus of accountability and budget process from the delivery of outputs to the delivery of results;

(c) The views of relevant bodies, including the Committee for Programme and Coordination;

and to report accordingly to the General Assembly at the first part of its resumed sixty-eighth session;

7. *Further recalls* the commitment of the Secretary-General to the enterprise risk management project as expressed in paragraph 67 of his previous report on progress towards an accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat,<sup>15</sup> welcomes the progress made towards the implementation of enterprise risk management so far, also welcomes the plans of the Secretary-General to implement a Secretariat-wide risk assessment, and requests him to include the results in the next progress report on accountability;

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<sup>13</sup> A/67/714.

<sup>14</sup> A/67/776.

<sup>15</sup> A/66/692.

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8. *Stresses* that there is a need to clearly distinguish between the respective roles and responsibilities of the governing bodies and management, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to continue to implement the enterprise risk management policy, focusing on the role and responsibilities of the Secretariat in the management of the risks of its operations;

9. *Recognizes* that compacts and end-of-year assessments are unique accountability tools for senior managers and contribute to transparency in the Organization, welcomes the placing of compacts on the intranet of the Secretariat (iSeek) and the inclusion of new indicators that are critical to the effective implementation of the major transformational projects of the Organization, and requests the Secretary-General to consider placing the compacts in the public domain;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take further concrete measures to ensure that the compacts system becomes a meaningful and powerful instrument of accountability, to take actions to address systemic issues that prevent managers from meeting their targets and to report to the General Assembly on the progress achieved in this regard at the first part of its resumed sixty-eighth session;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly on the implementation of the present resolution at the first part of its resumed sixty-eighth session, and decides to keep under review the frequency of future progress reports.

#### RESOLUTIONS 67/254 A and B

#### 67/254. Special subjects relating to the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013

##### Resolution A

Adopted at the 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/677/Add.1, para. 6)

*The General Assembly,*

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#### **Information and communications technology: report of the Board of Auditors on the handling of information and communications technology affairs in the United Nations Secretariat**

*Recalling* section II of its resolution 60/283 of 7 July 2006, its resolutions 62/250 of 20 June 2008, 63/262 of 24 December 2008, 63/269 of 7 April 2009, 64/243 of 24 December 2009, section II of its resolution 65/259 of 24 December 2010 and its resolution 66/246 of 24 December 2011,

*Having considered* the report of the Board of Auditors on the handling of information and communications technology affairs in the Secretariat<sup>16</sup> and the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board contained in its report,<sup>17</sup> as well as the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>18</sup>

*Having also considered* the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on information and communications technology governance in United Nations system organizations,<sup>19</sup> as well as the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon,<sup>20</sup>

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<sup>16</sup> A/67/651.

<sup>17</sup> A/67/651/Add.1.

<sup>18</sup> A/67/770.

<sup>19</sup> A/67/119.

<sup>20</sup> A/67/119/Add.1.

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*Stressing* the need to harness the potential of information and communications technology to support the work of the United Nations in the areas of peace and security, development, human rights and international law,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Board of Auditors on the handling of information and communications technology affairs in the Secretariat<sup>16</sup> and the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board contained in its report;<sup>17</sup>

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;<sup>18</sup>

3. *Approves* the conclusions and recommendations of the Board contained in its report;

4. *Recalls* paragraph 28 of the report of the Advisory Committee, commends the Board for the continued high quality of its work, and welcomes the recommendations issued by the Board to address the root causes and systemic weaknesses hindering progress in the implementation of major business transformation projects and management reform in the Organization;

5. *Also recalls* paragraph 27 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to implement the recommendations of the Board as a matter of priority;

6. *Underlines* the importance of information and communications technology in meeting the growing demands of the Organization as it becomes increasingly reliant on its information and communications technology infrastructure;

7. *Also underlines* the importance of information and communications technology in strengthening oversight and accountability and in increasing the availability of accurate and timely information to support decision-making;

8. *Acknowledges* that the lack of effective governance and leadership in the area of information and communications technology has resulted in a high level of duplication and fragmentation of the information and communications technology functions in the Secretariat;

9. *Recalls* paragraph 69 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and stresses the need for improved oversight for the more timely detection of serious issues in the implementation of major projects and initiatives such as information and communications technology;

10. *Notes* that the post of Chief Information Technology Officer has been vacant since 2012, and requests the Secretary-General to accelerate the filling of the position without further delay in order to ensure the effective direction, planning and management of information and communications technology activities;

11. *Recalls* paragraphs 42, 70 and 71 of the report of the Advisory Committee and its suggestion of a sequential approach to the formulation of a new information and communications technology strategy, and requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session a progress report on the measures taken to address the priorities identified by the Board in its report, in particular with regard to the implementation of the Umoja enterprise resource planning project and information technology security;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to propose a revised information and communications technology strategy, including lessons learned, by no later than the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly, bearing in mind that the purpose of information and communications technology is to support the work of the Organization;

13. *Stresses* that the revised information and communications technology strategy should be based on a thorough analysis of the business environment and its requirements and be aligned with the service delivery model of the Organization, including ongoing and upcoming business transformation initiatives;

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include, in the revised information and communications technology strategy, a comprehensive performance management framework based on well-defined concepts and effective mechanisms and tools for monitoring, evaluating and measuring the results and impact of the activities implemented; the lessons learned from the problems encountered in the implementation of the current information and communications technology strategy; and a detailed, workable implementation plan, as well as a fully justified cost-benefit analysis;

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15. *Regrets* the recent insufficient collaboration among the Umoja project team, the Office of Information and Communications Technology and other information and communications technology units of the United Nations Secretariat;

16. *Requests* the Secretary-General to identify and put into place the measures required to ensure the successful implementation of all of the phases of Umoja and to ensure that the Office of Information and Communications Technology and other relevant departments, offices and units are able to support the enterprise resource planning system autonomously in the post-implementation phase in order to increase productivity and cost-effectiveness in service delivery;

17. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to proceed with the implementation of his action plan to strengthen information security as a matter of priority, to ensure the adoption, without further delay, of the information security policy directive and associated policy documents in a manner that assures accountability at all levels of the Organization and to take prompt remedial action to address any hindrances that may arise to the effective implementation of the action plan or the promulgation and enforcement of information security policies throughout the Secretariat;

18. *Invites* the Secretary-General to provide, in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014–2015, an update on the status of implementation of the actions taken to address information security issues, including measures taken to guard against any threats of cyber attack;

19. *Recalls* paragraphs 53 and 55 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to conduct a comprehensive review of the existing software applications and to plan for the necessary migration and decommissioning of systems to enable a smooth transition to Umoja;

## II

### **Organizational resilience management system: emergency management framework**

*Recalling* section II of its resolution 64/260 of 29 March 2010 and section I of its resolution 66/247 of 24 December 2011, as well as its decision 67/552 of 24 December 2012,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the organizational resilience management system, including the emergency management framework,<sup>21</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>22</sup>

*Having also considered* the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on business continuity in the United Nations system,<sup>23</sup> as well as the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon,<sup>24</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;<sup>21</sup>

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>22</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Approves* the organizational resilience management system approach as the emergency management framework;

4. *Recalls* paragraph 23 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and, while noting that the Secretary-General is not requesting additional financial resources for the implementation of the organizational resilience management system, requests him to provide a detailed accounting of the full cost of the initiative in the context of the next progress report;

5. *Emphasizes* the importance of the organizational resilience management system in managing operational risks to the United Nations under an all-hazards approach;

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<sup>21</sup> A/67/266.

<sup>22</sup> A/67/608.

<sup>23</sup> A/67/83.

<sup>24</sup> A/67/83/Add.1.

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6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, at the first part of its resumed sixty-eighth session, a progress report on the implementation of the organizational resilience management system, including information on the steps taken to expand the system to include the specialized agencies, funds and programmes;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in the context of the report mentioned in paragraph 6 above, to present comprehensive information on the work of the after-action review on storm Sandy, including the action taken to address the shortcomings identified;

8. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that all relevant rules, regulations and resolutions are adhered to in the implementation of all aspects of the organizational resilience management system;

### III

#### Feasibility study on the United Nations Headquarters accommodation needs 2014–2034

*Recalling* its resolution 60/282 of 30 June 2006 and section A of its decision 66/556 B of 9 April 2012,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the feasibility study on the United Nations Headquarters accommodation needs 2014–2034<sup>25</sup> and on the expanded feasibility study on the United Nations Headquarters accommodation needs 2014–2034,<sup>26</sup> as well as the related reports of the Advisory Committee,<sup>27,28</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General,<sup>25,26</sup>

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee,<sup>27,28</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Stresses* the important role of the host countries in their support for United Nations Headquarters and offices away from Headquarters;

4. *Underlines* the historical and architectural significance of the United Nations complex in New York and of the original design of the Board of Design Consultants, without prejudice to the prerogative of the General Assembly to consider all options with regard to the long-term accommodation of United Nations Headquarters;

5. *Notes* that the information provided by the Secretary-General in the expanded study on United Nations Headquarters accommodation needs 2014–2034 is not precise and comprehensive enough to facilitate decision-making by the General Assembly and does not give equal treatment to all options considered;

6. *Recalls* paragraphs 52 and 53 of the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>28</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, as early as possible in the sixty-eighth session, a new report on United Nations Headquarters long-term accommodation needs with comprehensive information on all viable options, including additional options not adequately considered or developed in the report of the Secretary-General, ensuring that all options are treated equally, while seeking the most favourable terms for the Organization in all cases;

7. *Stresses* that the new report mentioned in paragraph 6 above shall also cover factors including, but not limited to, total population requirements with and without the staff of the participating funds and programmes and the financial consequences of the cost-sharing arrangements with them, the impact of the implementation of flexible work arrangements on the capacity of the buildings at the Headquarters compound, the sequencing of United Nations construction projects, the findings from the ongoing review of flexible workspace arrangements and strategies in the Secretariat, the potential impact on the architectural integrity of the United Nations compound, an analysis of the preferable ratio of owned versus leased space for the Organization and possible developments in the planning for the future of the Organization;

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<sup>25</sup> A/66/349.

<sup>26</sup> A/67/720.

<sup>27</sup> A/66/7/Add.3.

<sup>28</sup> A/67/788.

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8. *Recalls* paragraph 48 of the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>28</sup> and emphasizes that the term “comprehensive information” in paragraph 6 above means information including, but not limited to, short- and long-term financing alternatives for each option, the direct and indirect costs of each option, the net present value of each option, along with the residual value of new construction where relevant, and the legal and other risks associated with each option;

9. *Notes* the initiative of the Secretariat to commission a report on the application of flexible workspace strategies and working arrangements in the Organization, and looks forward to receiving the report of the Secretary-General at the main part of its sixty-eighth session;

10. *Decides* that the pursuit of negotiations by the Secretary-General with the intention of keeping option 3 viable shall in no way represent a commitment by the Organization and shall be without prejudice to any decision by the General Assembly, nor shall it entail legal or financial liability for the United Nations;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide to the General Assembly on a regular basis information on the progress of the efforts referred to in the paragraphs above;

12. *Recalls* paragraph 51 of the report of the Advisory Committee<sup>28</sup> as well as section VII, paragraph 4, of resolution 66/247, and reiterates its request to the Secretary-General to ensure that major capital expenditure projects are not implemented simultaneously in order to prevent the need to finance them at the same time;

13. *Also recalls* paragraph 59 of the report of the Advisory Committee<sup>28</sup> and section V, paragraph 29, of resolution 67/246 of 24 December 2012, and reiterates its request to the Secretary-General for comprehensive information and options, as well as financial implications, on the renovation of the South Annex Building and the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Building, in the context of the eleventh annual report on the capital master plan, ensuring that the commemorative value of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library is respected;

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure effective oversight and audit coverage in all phases of the project, including the ongoing feasibility study;

### IV

#### **Revised estimates relating to section 34 of the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013 for remediation work in the aftermath of storm Sandy**

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on revised estimates relating to section 34 of the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013 for remediation work in the aftermath of storm Sandy<sup>29</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>30</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;<sup>29</sup>

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>30</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Acknowledges* the efforts made by the Secretariat during and in the aftermath of storm Sandy, with a view to quickly restoring normal working conditions for the staff and resuming the critical business of the Organization;

4. *Recognizes* the difficulties in communication faced by Member States and staff during and in the aftermath of storm Sandy, and in that regard requests the Secretary-General to present to the General Assembly, at the first part of its resumed sixty-eighth session, comprehensive information on the work of the after-action review of storm Sandy, including the actions taken to address the shortcomings identified, in order to reduce the vulnerability of United Nations Headquarters to future flooding events and other emergencies;

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<sup>29</sup> A/67/748.

<sup>30</sup> A/67/789.

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5. *Affirms*, as illustrated by the aftermath of storm Sandy, the importance of accountability and oversight in the effective functioning of the emergency management framework, particularly in the areas of governance, communication, physical infrastructure and business continuity;

6. *Welcomes* the delineation of responsibilities among the various heads of departments and senior managers for the implementation of prevention, mitigation and recovery measures;

7. *Notes* that without the timely implementation of the Secretary-General's proposed remediation measures, the Organization runs the risk of significant, uninsurable financial exposure;

8. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into commitments in the biennium 2012–2013 of up to 6,063,400 United States dollars under section 34, Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance, of the programme budget, for mitigation work, encourages all efforts to minimize costs within this section, in the most efficient manner, and requests the Secretary-General to report thereon in the context of the second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013;

9. *Recalls* paragraph 8 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to implement the remediation and mitigation work at United Nations Headquarters in an immediate manner in order to avoid delays in the implementation of the capital master plan and enable its completion within the approved schedule;

10. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into commitments in the biennium 2012–2013 of up to 131,421,300 dollars to enable remediation work, and requests him to report thereon in the context of the second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013, to be submitted at the main part of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly;

11. *Notes* that the cost of the remediation work is expected to be reimbursed under the terms of the insurance policies held by the United Nations up to an estimated amount of 137,851,400 dollars;

12. *Also notes* the intention of the Secretary-General to submit the vast majority of the insurance claims relating to storm Sandy by 31 December 2013, and in that regard requests him to ensure the timely submission of all insurance claims in order to expedite reimbursement and to report on the status of reimbursement and the insurance claims process in the context of the second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013;

13. *Further notes* that the total estimated amount of non-recoverable damages may amount to a maximum of 11,069,900 dollars, and requests the Secretary-General, subject to the outcome of the insurance recovery efforts and the Secretariat's prioritization of equipment and other content whose replacement is essential, to make efforts to minimize expenditure by seeking efficiencies during the course of the remediation work and to report on those efforts in the context of the second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013;

14. *Recalls* paragraph 14 of the report of the Advisory Committee and authorizes the Secretary-General to use the Working Capital Fund as a cash flow bridging mechanism to cover payments pending the receipt of insurance settlements, and requests the Secretary-General to closely monitor the cash position of the Organization so as to ensure that other operations are not put at risk and to report thereon to the General Assembly on a regular basis within existing mechanisms;

15. *Decides* to establish a multi-year special account for insurance recovery and expenditure relating to the damage in the aftermath of storm Sandy until 31 December 2015, with the possibility of extension beyond that date depending on the status of the insurance claims process;

16. *Recalls* section X, paragraph 9, of its resolution 67/246, and requests the Secretary-General to include information on the cash balance of the special account in the forthcoming monthly informational update on the cash position of the Organization;

17. *Requests* the Secretary-General to closely monitor the insurance market, including all means of risk mitigation, with a view to securing adequate coverage at a reasonable cost for all United Nations installations exposed to natural hazards and emergencies and to report thereon at the first part of its resumed sixty-eighth session;

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**Safety and security management system for the United Nations**

*Recalling* section XIV of resolution 65/259, resolution 66/246, section A of decision 66/556 B and decision 67/552,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the conclusions of the High-level Working Group on Programme Criticality,<sup>31</sup> his comprehensive report on the United Nations Department of Safety and Security<sup>32</sup> and his report on the use of private security,<sup>33</sup> as well as the related reports of the Advisory Committee,<sup>34,35</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General,<sup>31,32,33</sup>

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee,<sup>34,35</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

**Safety and security**

3. *Reaffirms* the importance of ensuring the safety and security of United Nations staff, operations and premises;

4. *Welcomes* the progress made in strengthening the security management system for the coordination of security arrangements for the Organization;

5. *Stresses* the importance of ensuring full accountability for compliance with safety and security policies and guidelines and of monitoring managerial performance throughout the United Nations system, and in that regard requests the Secretary-General to continue to report thereon in the context of his relevant reports;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to strengthen his cooperation with host Governments in order to ensure the safety and security of United Nations personnel, premises and assets;

7. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue efforts to ensure the mainstreaming of safety and security in the implementation of mandated programmes and activities of the United Nations system;

8. *Recalls* paragraph 9 of the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>35</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to provide information in that regard in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016–2017;

9. *Reiterates* the principle that the United Nations Secretariat, organizations, funds and programmes share a common responsibility for the safety and security of their staff and that funding for safety and security, based on cost-sharing arrangements, should be clear, predictable and secure, and in that regard invites the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, to keep under review cost-sharing arrangements with all participating entities;

**Use of private security**

10. *Notes* that the United Nations finds it necessary, as an exceptional measure, to use armed security services from private security companies to secure the premises and personnel of the Organization;

11. *Stresses* that such services should be used as a last resort to enable United Nations activities in high-risk environments only when a United Nations security risk assessment concludes that other alternatives, including protection by the host country, support from the Member States concerned or internal United Nations system resources are inadequate;

12. *Also stresses* the importance of ensuring that all measures necessary are taken to avoid legal and reputational risks for the Organization in using armed security services of private security companies;

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<sup>31</sup> A/66/680.

<sup>32</sup> A/67/526.

<sup>33</sup> A/67/539.

<sup>34</sup> A/66/720.

<sup>35</sup> A/67/624.

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13. *Acknowledges* the efforts of the Secretary-General to develop a policy to guide the use of armed security services from private security companies, and requests him to consider disseminating information on that policy as widely as possible, in all six official languages of the United Nations, taking into account relevant security considerations, to ensure the proper enforcement of the policy, and to continue to report to the General Assembly on the use of armed security services from private security companies;

14. *Recalls* section XIV, paragraph 7, of its resolution 65/259, and in that context encourages the Secretary-General to continue to use armed security services from private security companies as an exceptional measure and a last resort;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to take all appropriate measures to ensure that, when using security and protection services from private security companies, the selected companies operate in accordance with the national legislation of the host country and the Charter of the United Nations and fully abide by the relevant principles and rules of international human rights law, international humanitarian law and international criminal law;

16. *Recalls* paragraph 25 of the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>35</sup> and acknowledges that the policy implications of the use of private security companies by the United Nations may raise substantive and legal issues that may be of interest to other Committees of the General Assembly, in addition to the Fifth Committee, and in that regard requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the relevant substantive bodies, to present a proposal for ensuring that such substantive and legal issues are duly addressed by the relevant expert or intergovernmental bodies, as appropriate, in the relevant reports to the Assembly;

17. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide clarification on the operational criteria for when the use of armed security services from private security companies could be appropriate for United Nations operations at Headquarters and field locations and to report thereon in the relevant reports to the General Assembly;

#### **Programme criticality**

18. *Recalls* paragraph 14 of the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>34</sup> and requests the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, to submit for consideration and approval at the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly, a report containing the final conclusions of the High-level Working Group on Programme Criticality;

19. *Acknowledges* the programme criticality framework as an instrument to assist managers in the field to take time-sensitive decisions to prioritize programme activities in specific locations in response to changes in local security conditions;

20. *Recalls* paragraph 7 of the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>34</sup> and emphasizes that the programme criticality framework shall not affect intergovernmental oversight and accountability to the legislative bodies;

21. *Also recalls* paragraph 13 of the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>34</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to ensure coherence and consistency between the proposed programme criticality framework and other related initiatives of the Secretary-General and to report thereon in the relevant reports;

## VI

### **Standards of accommodation for air travel**

*Recalling* its resolution 42/214 of 21 December 1987, section IV, paragraph 14, of its resolution 53/214 of 18 December 1998, section IV of its resolution 60/255 of 8 May 2006, section XV of its resolution 62/238 of 22 December 2007, section II of its resolution 63/268 of 7 April 2009 and section IV of its resolution 65/268 of 4 April 2011, as well as its decisions 57/589 of 18 June 2003 and 66/556 B,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on proposals for a more effective and efficient utilization of resources for air travel<sup>36</sup> and on standards of accommodation for air travel<sup>37</sup> and the report of the

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<sup>36</sup> A/66/676.

<sup>37</sup> A/67/356.

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Office of Internal Oversight Services on the comprehensive audit of all air travel activities and related practices,<sup>38</sup> as well as the related reports of the Advisory Committee,<sup>39,40</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General;<sup>36,37</sup>
2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee,<sup>39,40</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;
3. *Welcomes* the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services,<sup>38</sup> and encourages the Secretary-General to implement all the recommendations contained therein and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session;
4. *Looks forward* to the successful roll-out of Umoja in air travel business administration of the United Nations, and requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, at the session immediately following the roll-out, a comprehensive report on the effects of implementation of Umoja in travel administration, including updated information, trends and analysis in all areas relating to air travel in the United Nations;
5. *Notes* that the Secretary-General has not provided the information requested by the General Assembly in section IV, paragraph 13, of its resolution 65/268, and stresses the importance of the provision of accurate, complete and comprehensible data as the basis for sound management and effective oversight of all costs relating to air travel;
6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at the beginning of the main part of its sixty-eighth session on the projected total expenditure on air travel under the regular budget, by budget section, including payments under lump-sum schemes, for the biennium 2012–2013, with corresponding data for the bienniums 2010–2011 and 2008–2009;
7. *Recalls* paragraph 2 (e) of the annex to resolution 65/268, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to monitor industry best practices in the area of frequent flyer miles and to report to the General Assembly on any new trend that could be utilized to make use of frequent flyer miles to improve the administration of travel;
8. *Recognizes* the efforts by the Secretary-General in initiating the 16-day advanced booking of tickets, requests him to make every effort to reduce short-notice travel and to ensure that trips are booked as much in advance of the travel date as possible, and also requests him to ensure that all managers in charge of air travel administration, including those in the peacekeeping missions, are informed of and comply with such provision;
9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to keep the option of full online booking under review in the context of the implementation of Umoja and to report thereon to the General Assembly;
10. *Recalls* recommendation 17 contained in the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services,<sup>38</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to strictly abide by the rules and procedures governing the procurement process in the United Nations system;
11. *Recognizes* recent efforts by the Secretary-General to use alternative methods of procurement, which resulted in a reduction in costs in 2012, and requests him to further explore other possible options for the procurement of air travel services, taking into account the experiences of other organizations;
12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to maintain the use of preferred carrier arrangements offering competitive rates;
13. *Decides* that, for official travellers below the level of Assistant Secretary-General, the standard of accommodation for air travel will be business class if a single-leg journey is 9 hours or more and will be business class for a multi-leg journey if the combined travel time of the journey is 11 hours or more, including a maximum of 2 hours of connection time, provided that the journey to the next destination resumes within 12 hours;

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<sup>38</sup> A/67/695.

<sup>39</sup> A/66/739.

<sup>40</sup> A/67/636.

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14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to modify his administrative instructions on standards of accommodation for air travel so that the duration of a journey shall be determined based on the most economical route available, provided that the total additional time of the whole journey does not exceed the most direct route by four hours;

15. *Decides* that the Secretary-General shall, as an interim measure pending the outcome of the review to be concluded in 2015, revise the provision for determining the travel-related lump-sum payment to 70 per cent of the least restrictive economy class fare, and requests the Secretary-General to include, in his report on the standards of accommodation of air travel to be submitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session, an analysis of the impact of the implementation of this provision and to make further proposals on modifying the lump-sum scheme;

16. *Notes* the increasing frequency and costs of exceptions to the standards of accommodation for air travel, and requests the Secretary-General to take action to limit the use of exceptions, to conduct an analysis of the trends in the use of exceptions and to present proposals for enhancing controls in this area no later than the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly;

17. *Requests* the Secretary-General to review the use of exceptions for the category of prominent persons and to report thereon in the context of the report requested in paragraph 16 above;

18. *Recalls* paragraph 27 of the report of the Advisory Committee,<sup>39</sup> and in that regard requests the Secretary-General to clarify any proposals to encourage other modes of transportation;

19. *Also recalls* section IV, paragraph 4, of its resolution 65/268;

20. *Decides* that the changes set out in the present resolution shall not affect the current standards of accommodation for air travel and daily subsistence allowance of members of organs and/or subsidiary organs, committees, councils and commissions of the United Nations.

#### Resolution B

Adopted at the 76th plenary meeting, on 10 May 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/677/Add.2, para. 6)

### VII

#### Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2012

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the statement submitted by the Secretary-General<sup>41</sup> in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly on the administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2012<sup>42</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>43</sup>

1. *Recalls* its resolution 67/257 of 12 April 2013 and decision 67/551 of 24 December 2012;

2. *Takes note* of the statement submitted by the Secretary-General<sup>41</sup> in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly on the administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2012,<sup>42</sup>

3. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.<sup>43</sup>

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<sup>41</sup> A/C.5/67/3.

<sup>42</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 30* and corrigendum (A/67/30 and Corr.1).

<sup>43</sup> A/67/573.

**RESOLUTION 67/255**

Adopted at the 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/816, para. 7)

**67/255. Human resources management**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* Articles 8, 97, 100 and 101 of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recalling also* its resolutions 49/222 A and B of 23 December 1994 and 20 July 1995, 51/226 of 3 April 1997, 52/219 of 22 December 1997, 52/252 of 8 September 1998, 53/221 of 7 April 1999, 55/258 of 14 June 2001, 57/305 of 15 April 2003, 58/296 of 18 June 2004, 59/266 of 23 December 2004, 59/287 of 13 April 2005, 60/1 of 16 September 2005, 60/254 of 8 May 2006, 60/260 of 8 May 2006, 61/244 of 22 December 2006, 61/276, section VIII, of 29 June 2007, 62/238, section XXI, of 22 December 2007, 62/248 of 3 April 2008, 63/250 of 24 December 2008, 63/271 of 7 April 2009, 65/247 of 24 December 2010 and 66/234 of 24 December 2011, its decision 67/552 A of 24 December 2012 and its other relevant resolutions and decisions,

*Having considered* the relevant reports of the Secretary-General submitted to the General Assembly<sup>44</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>45</sup>

*Having also considered* the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit on the review of the medical service in the United Nations system,<sup>46</sup> on staff-management relations within the United Nations<sup>47</sup> and on the management of sick leave in the United Nations system,<sup>48</sup> as well as the notes by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon,<sup>49</sup>

1. *Reaffirms* that the staff of the United Nations is an invaluable asset of the Organization, and commends its contribution to furthering the purposes and principles of the United Nations;
2. *Pays tribute* to the memory of all staff members who have lost their lives in the service of the Organization;
3. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>45</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

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**Human resources management reform**

4. *Emphasizes* the fundamental importance of human resources management reform in the United Nations as a contribution to the enhancement of the efficiency and the effectiveness of the United Nations and of the international civil service, and reaffirms its commitment to the implementation of these reforms;

5. *Reaffirms its support* for the integrity and independence of the international civil service;

6. *Notes* the variety of human resources management reform initiatives that the Organization has undertaken since the adoption by the General Assembly of its resolutions 63/250 and 65/247, and recognizes that the continued implementation of the reform initiatives will better equip the Organization to address a variable and demanding environment, in which integration and harmonization will provide the basis for longer-term efficiencies in productivity and an improved work environment that will, in turn, better enable the Organization to meet its mandates;

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<sup>44</sup> A/67/99 and Corr.1, A/67/171 and Corr.1, A/67/324 and Add.1, A/67/329 and Add.1 and A/67/306.

<sup>45</sup> A/67/545.

<sup>46</sup> A/66/327.

<sup>47</sup> A/67/136.

<sup>48</sup> A/67/337.

<sup>49</sup> A/66/327/Add.1, A/67/136/Add.1 and A/67/337/Add.1.

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7. *Urges* the Secretary-General to ensure that the lessons learned from the implementation of previous reforms are taken into consideration in the formulation of new proposals;
8. *Stresses* that such initiatives must be guided by decisions of the General Assembly;
9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at the main part of its sixty-ninth session a progress report on the implementation of ongoing human resources management reforms, including those approved in its resolutions 63/250 and 65/247 and in the present resolution, with a particular focus on whether these reforms are yielding the expected benefits and other efficiencies and concrete improvements;
10. *Stresses* the importance of ensuring coherence among various ongoing human resources management initiatives in order to enhance their efficiency and effectiveness and to avoid duplication and contradiction;
11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposals presented for consideration by the General Assembly are as detailed and comprehensive as possible and aim to go beyond identifying broad principles, overall direction and key elements;
12. *Recalls* paragraph 67 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to work with the relevant non-Secretariat entities, as appropriate, to amend all administrative service arrangements to ensure that the Secretariat, as the administrating entity, cannot be held financially liable for administrative decisions taken by employing entities;
13. *Reaffirms* that the human resources management scorecard should reflect that the paramount consideration in the employment of staff and in the determination of conditions of service shall be the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity, with due regard to recruiting staff on as wide a geographic basis as possible, and requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly a proposal thereon, including the performance-related criteria;
14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that all administrative instructions and any other internal instructions on human resources, as well as any information on technology-related applications, are in full compliance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly;
15. *Re-emphasizes* that a credible, fair and fully functioning performance appraisal system is critical to effective human resources management, and requests the Secretary-General to redouble his efforts to ensure its rigorous implementation;
16. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take corrective measures with regard to the responsibility of second reporting officers for the quality and timeliness of performance appraisals;
17. *Notes* the efforts taken by the Secretary-General to improve the performance appraisal system in line with section IV, paragraph 42, of its resolution 65/247, and expresses concern about shortcomings identified in the current system of sanctions for underperformance, which may have an adverse effect on productivity and undermine the ability of the Secretariat to implement the mandates entrusted to it by the General Assembly;
18. *Also notes* that improvements to the performance appraisal system must be exclusively designed and executed by the Secretary-General in his capacity as chief administrative officer of the Organization, without prejudice to the role of the General Assembly;
19. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure smooth integration between Inspira and Umoja in order to ensure an efficient, responsive and comprehensive system for human resources management in the Organization;
20. *Welcomes* the efforts of the Secretary-General to meet learning and development needs in a cost-effective manner, and encourages him to take further steps in this regard, including providing relevant training, and requests him to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session in his next overview report;
21. *Requests* the Secretary-General to promote e-learning in order to provide equal opportunities for staff to access training, taking into account that e-learning represents a flexible and effective way of delivering some types of learning;
22. *Recalls* that in its resolution 63/250, the General Assembly approved a new contractual framework (comprising temporary, fixed-term and continuing appointments) and that in its resolution 65/247, the Assembly decided on the modalities for granting continuing appointments, including eligibility criteria;

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23. *Regrets* the overall slow progress to date in implementing continuing appointments, while noting the progress that has been made in developing the legal framework and promulgating the details of the continuing appointments regime, and welcomes the development of an electronic tool in Inspira to support the administration of continuing appointments;

24. *Requests* the Secretary-General to expedite the review of the level of the post envelopes and the continued implementation of the continuing appointments regime;

25. *Reiterates its requests* that the Secretary-General report to the General Assembly on the implementation of the continuing appointments regime in the context of his next report on human resources reform;

26. *Reaffirms* the judicial independence of the system of administration of justice, recalls section II, paragraph 21, of its resolution 63/250 and regulation 4.5 of the Staff Regulations of the United Nations, and also reaffirms that the renewal or conversion of fixed-term contracts shall strictly follow the provisions set out in section II, paragraph 21, of resolution 63/250 and regulation 4.5 of the Staff Regulations;

27. *Recognizes* that workforce planning should be considered an ongoing process, that the staffing requirements of the Organization are contingent upon mandates and that there is scope for the Secretary-General in forecasting future staffing requirements for major occupational groups, including the number of staff needed and the skill sets required;

28. *Recalls* paragraphs 12 and 13 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and underlines the need for a comprehensive and robust workforce planning system as a key component of human resources management, including with regard to mobility and career development frameworks, which can contribute to planning for the long-term needs of the Organization;

29. *Emphasizes* that it is the responsibility of managers to ensure the implementation of policies related to staff health and well-being, in particular in field locations, and underlines the importance of integrating this element into the relevant existing accountability frameworks;

30. *Recalls* its resolution 65/247, in which it requested that the Secretary-General report on efforts to enhance the understanding and implementation of the principles of work-life balance and a flexible workforce across the Secretariat;

31. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take positive steps in this regard, including, inter alia, through fostering a greater understanding among managers of the benefits of authorizing, where appropriate, remote work, family-friendly policies and more flexible working arrangements and the more effective working practices that such arrangements can facilitate, with due regard for the need to monitor the impact on staff performance and the importance of ensuring that access by Member States to the Secretariat remains unaffected;

## II

### Recruitment and staffing

32. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in the context of the ongoing human resources management reforms and business transformation projects, to continue to ensure the equal treatment of candidates with equivalent educational backgrounds during the recruitment process, taking fully into account the fact that Member States have different education systems and that no education system shall be considered the standard to be applied by the Organization;

33. *Welcomes* the provision in the United Nations careers portal of material useful for external candidates applying for vacancies, and requests that the Secretary-General take further actions in this regard with a view to promoting opportunities for external candidates;

34. *Notes with serious concern* that the 120-day target for filling a post has still not been reached, stresses the importance of filling posts in a timely manner, and in this context requests the Secretary-General to investigate the reasons for delays at each stage of the staff selection and recruitment process and to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session on the outcome of that work, including proposals for appropriate measures to address the issues identified;

35. *Reaffirms* the need to respect the equality of the two working languages of the Secretariat, also reaffirms the use of additional working languages in specific duty stations as mandated, and in this regard requests the

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Secretary-General to ensure that vacancy announcements specify the need for either of the working languages of the Secretariat, unless the functions of the post require a specific working language;

36. *Confirms* that the placement of successful candidates from the young professionals programme should be made at the P-1 or P-2 level, depending on the qualifications of the relevant candidate, the requirements of the related job description and the availability of posts;

37. *Endorses* the arrangement, as set out in paragraph 46 of the report of the Advisory Committee, whereby staff members who are nationals of a country participating in the national competitive recruitment examination or the young professionals programme may apply for participation in the examination or programme as external candidates if they meet the eligibility criteria (the "G to N" arrangement), and expresses hope that both the young professionals programme and the "G to N" arrangement will improve geographical representation of underrepresented and unrepresented Member States;

38. *Notes* the implementation of the new young professionals programme, and requests the Secretary-General to monitor its progress towards achieving improved geographical representation of underrepresented and unrepresented Member States;

39. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to provide adequate and effective training for young professionals, taking into account the important role of the young professionals programme in improving the geographical representation of underrepresented and unrepresented Member States and in ensuring the continued rejuvenation of the Secretariat;

40. *Emphasizes* that candidates sitting for the young professionals programme examination should neither be advantaged nor disadvantaged by the geographical location of their examination;

41. *Requests* the Secretary-General to conduct a comprehensive review of the method and format of the young professionals programme examination, including its cost implications, while ensuring a level playing field for candidates of all parts of the world, in order to ensure that it is conducted in the most efficient, effective and equitable manner possible, and to report thereon, with concrete proposals, to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session;

42. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to undertake increased efforts to reach out to potential young professionals programme candidates from participating and eligible countries;

43. *Expresses serious concern* that progress towards the goal of 50/50 gender balance in the United Nations system has remained elusive, and reiterates its requests to the Secretary-General to increase his efforts to attain and monitor the goal of gender parity in the Secretariat;

### III

#### Comprehensive assessment of the system of geographical representation

44. *Reiterates* that the principle of equitable geographical distribution in the composition of the Secretariat does not conflict with the paramount consideration in the employment of staff, namely, the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity, as set out in Article 101, paragraph 3, of the Charter of the United Nations;

45. *Recalls* section IX, paragraph 17, of its resolution 63/250 and paragraph 63 of its resolution 65/247;

46. *Also recalls* paragraph 54 of the report of the Advisory Committee, regrets in this regard that the Secretary-General has once again failed to present proposals for a comprehensive review of the system of desirable ranges, and requests the Secretary-General to present to the General Assembly, no later than at its sixty-ninth session, proposals with a view to establishing a more effective tool for ensuring equitable geographical distribution in relation to the posts financed through the regular budget;

47. *Further recalls* paragraph 64 of its resolution 65/247, and reiterates its requests to the Secretary-General that he present proposals to effectively increase the representation of developing countries in the Secretariat and report on the progress thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session;

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48. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make available, through HR Insight, on a quarterly basis, data on the representation of developing countries in the Secretariat, with a view to increasing the scope of the data, as feasible;

49. *Recalls* paragraph 65 of its resolution 65/247 and paragraph 17 of its resolution 66/265 of 21 June 2012, in which it requested the Secretary-General to intensify his efforts to ensure proper representation of troop-contributing countries in the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support of the Secretariat, taking into account their contribution to United Nations peacekeeping, and to report thereon in the context of his proposed budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;

### IV

#### Mobility

50. *Recalls* its resolutions expressing support for staff mobility in the Organization, and notes the efforts made by the Secretary-General in submitting his proposed mobility and career development framework to the General Assembly;

51. *Welcomes* the commitment of the Secretary-General to develop a managed mobility policy to ensure that the Organization is more capable of delivering on the diverse and complex mandates entrusted to it by Member States;

52. *Notes* the intention of the Secretary-General to introduce a managed mobility policy, beginning with a two-year preparation phase, followed by a period of staged implementation, starting from 1 January 2015, and acknowledges that this is subject to further decisions and approval by the General Assembly;

53. *Also notes* that the overall objective of the Secretary-General's proposed staff mobility and career development framework is to develop a workforce that is global, dynamic and adaptable in order to deliver effectively on the mandates entrusted to the Organization by Member States and to foster the skills and capacities of staff;

54. *Recalls* paragraph 19 of its resolution 65/247 and Article 101 of the Charter, reaffirms the principle of non-discrimination against external recruitment, and stresses the importance of ensuring opportunities for external candidates to be considered for selection and recruitment in order to avoid potentially limiting the ability of the Organization to select the best candidates on as wide a geographical basis as possible, while not precluding any additional measures deemed necessary for the effective mobility of existing staff, bearing in mind the above-mentioned principle;

55. *Also recalls* paragraphs 19 to 21 of the report of the Secretary-General<sup>50</sup> and paragraph 84 of the report of the Advisory Committee, notes in this regard that the scope of the mobility policy has yet to be determined, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to refine the scope of the proposed mobility and career development framework on the basis of the current proposals, taking into consideration the career profile of the United Nations;

56. *Decides* that mobility means a change in position that involves one change or a combination of changes in role, function, department or duty station or a move from the Secretariat to, or to the Secretariat from, an agency, fund or programme of the United Nations system;

57. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide to the General Assembly for its consideration, no later than at the main part of its sixty-eighth session, a comprehensive report, with the aim of further refining the proposed mobility policy, which should cover, inter alia, the following items:

(a) Accurate and reliable historical data on staff mobility patterns;

(b) A detailed analysis of the impact of the mobility and career development framework on the selection and recruitment system, including external recruitment, as well as options that could mitigate any possible negative effects in this regard;

(c) The expected number and configuration of the job network boards and special constraints panels and their precise roles, the functions and authority of the network staffing officers, the role of staff representatives and

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<sup>50</sup> A/67/324/Add.1.

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the terms of reference, rules of procedure and operating guidelines of the job network boards, taking into account the role of the Secretary-General as chief administrative officer of the Organization, and the maintenance and preservation of management's final decision-making authority in respect of placement recommendations and actions thereon, as well as clear mechanisms that ensure the accountability of job network boards and hiring managers, as well as of the Secretary-General, including in matters of equitable geographical distribution for fulfilling the human resources management recruitment parameter set by the Charter and the General Assembly and for the delivery of mandates;

(d) The criteria to be used by the special constraints panel for granting exemptions from reassignment;

(e) An analysis of the implications of the mobility and career development framework for gender parity, particularly for women from developing countries, including a plan on achieving the gender balance target;

(f) A comprehensive list of the number and type of positions that will be non-rotational;

(g) A comprehensive analysis of the projected administrative and financial implications, including direct and indirect costs, of the mobility policy for all duty stations over the medium term, including training costs, taking into account current and immediate past patterns of mobility, the likely patterns of mobility based on the total number of staff who will be subject to the policy and workforce planning;

(h) A strategy for the maintenance of institutional knowledge retention, as well as an analysis of the possible effects on mandate delivery of increased turnover and potential outflow of staff, taking into account the effects of minimum and maximum post occupancy limits;

(i) Quantifiable key performance indicators and targets for the goals, as stated in the mobility and career development framework, including more equitable burden-sharing and the provision of equitable opportunities for international staff in hardship and headquarters duty stations;

(j) An analysis of the possible impact of the proposed mobility policy on the geographical distribution of staff;

(k) An assessment of the potential burden of mobility policy-related claims in the system of administration of justice of the Organization and proposals for limiting any such burden, bearing in mind obligations and liabilities arising from the existing contractual arrangements;

58. *Takes note* of paragraph 111 of the report of the Advisory Committee;

59. *Requests* the Secretary-General to outline and present to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session an alternative proposal, in addition to the proposed mobility and career development framework, that, inter alia, incorporates revised incentives and approaches that promote geographic mobility, especially in field-oriented job families;

## V

### Composition of the Secretariat

60. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to continue his ongoing effort to ensure the attainment of equitable geographical distribution in the Secretariat and to ensure as wide a geographical distribution of staff as possible in all departments and offices and at all levels, including at the Director and higher levels, of the Secretariat;

61. *Recalls* paragraph 145 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to report thereon, in the context of his overview report, to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session;

62. *Reiterates* that the Secretary-General has to ensure that the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity serve as the paramount consideration in the employment of staff, with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution, in accordance with Article 101, paragraph 3, of the Charter;

63. *Stresses* that one-dollar-a-year contracts should be granted only under exceptional circumstances and be limited to high-level appointments, and requests the Secretary-General to prepare guidelines regarding the use of these contracts, along the same lines of those established for when-actually-employed appointments, and to report thereon, in the context of his next overview report, to the General Assembly at the main part of its sixty-ninth session;

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64. *Requests* the Secretary-General to inform the Advisory Committee, on a regular basis, of the issuance of one-dollar-a-year contracts and of the establishment of all posts and positions that are at the D-1 level and above, that are funded under extrabudgetary temporary assistance or when-actually-employed contracts and for which the approval of an intergovernmental organ is not required, and to report thereon to the General Assembly in the context of his report on the composition of the Secretariat;

65. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to present the requirement for government-provided personnel in the relevant budget proposals to the General Assembly, looks forward to the issuance of guidelines for the recruitment of government-provided personnel, and further requests the Secretary-General to report thereon to the General Assembly;

66. *Recalls* the introduction of the new human resources management scorecard in 2011, and requests the Secretary-General to closely monitor the trends of gender and geographical representation in order to take corrective measures, as required, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session;

#### VI

##### Consultants

67. *Reiterates its concern* over the increase in the use of consultants, especially in the core activities of the Organization, stresses that the use of consultants should be governed by the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, in particular section VIII of its resolution 53/221 of 7 April 1999, and that they should be drawn from the widest possible geographical basis, and requests the Secretary-General to make the greatest possible use of in-house capacity and to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session on the measures taken to that effect;

68. *Reiterates* that in areas where consultants are frequently hired or rehired for a period of more than one year, the Secretary-General should submit proposals, where necessary, for the establishment of posts and should report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session;

69. *Requests* the Secretary-General to identify the substantive areas, functions and activities, if any, for which consultants are hired or rehired for a period of more than one year and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session, including on total costs incurred therein;

#### VII

##### Staff-management relations

70. *Recognizes* the importance of its continued informal interaction with staff representatives on human resources management issues;

71. *Requests* the Secretary-General to revise the Secretary-General's bulletin on the Staff-Management Committee,<sup>51</sup> in line with the existing staff regulations;

#### VIII

##### Practice of the Secretary-General in disciplinary matters and possible criminal behaviour

72. *Notes with concern* the ongoing backlog of disciplinary cases and that many disciplinary cases have not been concluded within a reasonable time frame, and in this regard urges the Secretary-General to intensify his efforts to complete disciplinary cases in a timely manner and eliminate the remaining backlog of cases as soon as possible;

#### IX

##### Activities of the Ethics Office

73. *Notes with appreciation* the contributions of the Ethics Office to promoting the highest standards of ethics and integrity among staff members of the Organization;

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<sup>51</sup> ST/SGB/2011/6.

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74. *Notes with satisfaction* the positive trend of participation in the voluntary financial disclosure initiative, particularly at the senior leadership level, and urges the Secretary-General to encourage senior officials who have not yet publicly disclosed a summary of their assets to do so as soon as possible;

75. *Notes* the intention of the Secretary-General to conduct a comprehensive review of the existing policy for protection of staff against retaliation when reporting misconduct in the Organization, and requests the Secretary-General to expedite the development of modalities in this regard and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session;

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#### Other matters

76. *Expresses confidence* that the Secretary-General will comply with the judgements of the United Nations Dispute Tribunal and the United Nations Appeals Tribunal with regard to the award and severance of employment contracts in the Secretariat;

77. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report on improvements made in the process for reporting misconduct, fact-finding and resolving situations resulting from misconduct, including, but not limited to, the following issues:

(a) The relationship between the policy administered by the Ethics Office and the various oversight, adjudicative, disciplinary and dispute resolution mechanisms of the Organization;

(b) Internal mechanisms for reporting misconduct, including through the supervisory chain of command;

(c) Mechanisms external to divisions for reporting misconduct.

#### RESOLUTION 67/256

Adopted at the 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/817, para. 6)

#### 67/256. Joint Inspection Unit

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its previous resolutions on the Joint Inspection Unit, in particular resolutions 31/192 of 22 December 1976, 50/233 of 7 June 1996, 54/16 of 29 October 1999, 57/284 A and B of 20 December 2002, 58/286 of 8 April 2004, 59/267 of 23 December 2004, 60/258 of 8 May 2006, 61/238 of 22 December 2006, 61/260 of 4 April 2007, 62/226 of 22 December 2007, 62/246 of 3 April 2008, 63/272 of 7 April 2009, 64/262 of 29 March 2010, 65/270 of 4 April 2011 and 66/259 of 9 April 2012,

*Reaffirming* the statute of the Unit<sup>52</sup> and the unique role of the Unit as the only external and independent system-wide inspection, evaluation and investigation body,

*Having considered* the report of the Unit for 2012 and programme of work for 2013<sup>53</sup> and the note by the Secretary-General on the report of the Unit for 2012,<sup>54</sup>

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2012 and programme of work for 2013;<sup>53</sup>

2. *Takes note* of the note by the Secretary-General on the report of the Unit for 2012;<sup>54</sup>

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<sup>52</sup> Resolution 31/192, annex.

<sup>53</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 34 (A/67/34).*

<sup>54</sup> A/67/724.

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3. *Acknowledges* the efforts of the Unit to continuously update and improve its medium- and long-term strategy for 2010–2019, taking into account the dynamics and challenges of the environment in which it undertakes its activities;

4. *Notes with appreciation* the launch of the web-based tracking system, and requests the participating organizations to make full use of the new system and provide in-depth analysis on how the recommendations of the Unit are being implemented;

5. *Reiterates its request* to the executive heads of the participating organizations to fully comply with the statutory procedures for consideration of the reports of the Unit and, in particular, to submit their comments, including information on what they intend to do regarding the recommendations of the Unit, to distribute reports in time for their consideration by legislative organs and to provide information on the steps to be taken to implement those recommendations accepted by the legislative organs and the executive heads of participating organizations;

6. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General and the other executive heads of the participating organizations to fully assist the Unit with the timely provision of all information requested by it;

7. *Welcomes* the coordination of the Unit with the Board of Auditors and the Office of Internal Oversight Services of the Secretariat, and encourages those bodies to continue sharing experiences, knowledge, best practices and lessons learned with other United Nations audit and oversight bodies, as well as with the Independent Audit Advisory Committee, with a view to avoiding overlap or duplication and achieving further synergy, cooperation, effectiveness and efficiency, without prejudice to the respective mandates of the audit and oversight bodies;

8. *Requests* the Unit to consider optimizing the number of projects in its programme of work through prioritization;

9. *Welcomes* the reform efforts made by the Unit to better serve the interests of the participating organizations and Member States, and encourages the Unit to continue its efforts in this regard;

10. *Reiterates its request* to the Unit to continue to focus its reports on important priority items, identifying concrete managerial, administrative and programming questions aimed at providing the General Assembly and other legislative organs of participating organizations with practical and action-oriented recommendations on precisely defined issues;

11. *Notes* the need to enhance the effectiveness of the Unit and its system-wide oversight capability;

12. *Recalls* the intention of the Unit to undertake a comprehensive peer review as explained in paragraphs 15 and 27 (d) of annex III to its report for 2008 and programme of work for 2009,<sup>55</sup> and in this respect requests the Unit to include analysis and recommendations in its report to the General Assembly at the first part of its resumed sixty-eighth session, concerning, inter alia:

(a) Working methods of the Unit;

(b) Optimal size and composition of the Unit;

(c) Standards and guidelines of the Unit;

(d) Selection of subjects contained in the annual programme of work;

(e) Impact of recommendations made to the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination and participating organizations;

13. *Notes with satisfaction* that the inspectors and the staff of the Unit had no difficulty, nor did they experience any delay, in obtaining visas for official travel during the period under review, and in this regard encourages Member States to continue to provide to the Unit all the assistance needed, including by issuing visas in a timely manner, with the aim of supporting the Unit and the implementation of its mandate.

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<sup>55</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 34 and corrigendum (A/63/34 and Corr.1).*

**RESOLUTION 67/257**

Adopted at the 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/678/Add.1, para. 6)

**67/257. United Nations common system: report of the International Civil Service Commission**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 44/198 of 21 December 1989, 51/216 of 18 December 1996, 52/216 of 22 December 1997, 53/209 of 18 December 1998, 55/223 of 23 December 2000, 56/244 of 24 December 2001, 57/285 of 20 December 2002, 58/251 of 23 December 2003, 59/268 of 23 December 2004, 60/248 of 23 December 2005, 61/239 of 22 December 2006, 62/227 of 22 December 2007, 63/251 of 24 December 2008, 64/231 of 22 December 2009, 65/248 of 24 December 2010, 66/235 A of 24 December 2011 and 66/235 B of 21 June 2012 and its decision 67/552 A of 24 December 2012,

*Having considered* the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2012,<sup>56</sup>

*Reaffirming its commitment* to a single, unified United Nations common system as the cornerstone for the regulation and coordination of the conditions of service of the common system,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the work of the International Civil Service Commission;
2. *Takes note* of the report of the Commission for 2012;<sup>56</sup>
3. *Notes* the decision of the Commission to conduct a comprehensive review of the compensation package for staff in the Professional and higher categories, and requests the Commission, in undertaking the review, to bear in mind the financial situation of the organizations participating in the United Nations common system and their capacity to attract a competitive workforce;
4. *Requests* the Commission to report to the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-eighth and sixty-ninth sessions, in the context of its annual report, on the progress, preliminary findings and administrative aspects of the comprehensive review and to report to the Assembly as soon as possible but no later than during the main part of its seventieth session on the final conclusions and recommendations of the comprehensive review;

**A. Conditions of service applicable to both categories of staff**

**1. Education grant**

1. *Approves*, with effect from the school year in progress on 1 January 2013, the recommendations contained in paragraph 44 of the report of the Commission and annex III thereto;
2. *Notes with concern* that the number of claims for the education grant has increased by 24 per cent system-wide since the last biennium review in 2010, resulting in a 35 per cent increase in the overall amount of education grant disbursed between 2009 and 2011;

**2. Pensionable remuneration**

*Recalling* its resolutions 45/242 of 21 December 1990, 47/203 of 22 December 1992, 48/225 of 23 December 1993 and 51/216,

*Takes note* of the decisions contained in paragraph 59 of the report of the Commission;

**3. Standards of conduct for the international civil service**

*Recalling* paragraph 78 of its resolution 65/247 of 24 December 2010, in which it requested the Commission to consider standards of conduct in the context of its 2011 programme of work,

*Approves*, with effect from 1 January 2013, the revised standards of conduct for the international civil service contained in annex IV to the report of the Commission;

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<sup>56</sup> *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 30 and corrigendum (A/67/30 and Corr.1).*

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#### 4. Mandatory age of separation

1. *Endorses* the decision of the Commission, as contained in paragraph 85 of its report, to support the recommendation of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board to raise the mandatory age of separation to age 65 years for new staff of member organizations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, effective no later than 1 January 2014;<sup>57</sup>

2. *Welcomes* the strategic review being undertaken by the secretariat of the Commission, in consultation with organizations and staff representatives, of the implications of applying the increased mandatory age of separation of 65 years to current staff members, and looks forward to considering the outcome of this review at its sixty-eighth session;

#### 5. Contractual arrangements: review of the implementation of the three types of contracts and the phasing-out of appointments of limited duration

*Takes note* of the decisions contained in paragraph 104 of the report of the Commission;

#### B. Conditions of service of staff in the Professional and higher categories

##### 1. Base/floor salary scale

*Notes* that tax-related changes in the comparator country resulted in an increase of 0.12 per cent in the salaries of its officials compared with 2011 levels;

##### 2. Evolution of the margin

*Recalling* section I.B of its resolution 51/216 and the standing mandate from the General Assembly, under which the Commission is requested to continue its review of the relationship between the net remuneration of United Nations staff in the Professional and higher categories in New York and that of comparator civil service (United States federal civil service) employees in comparable positions in Washington, D.C. (referred to as “the margin”),

*Reaffirms* that the range of 110 to 120 for the margin between the net remuneration of officials in the Professional and higher categories of the United Nations in New York and officials in comparable positions in the comparator civil service should continue to apply, on the understanding that the margin would be maintained at a level around the desirable midpoint of 115 over a period of time, without prejudice to its future decisions;

##### 3. Overview of mobility policies within organizations of the United Nations common system

*Recalling* its resolutions 65/248 and 66/235 A,

*Takes note* of the decisions contained in paragraph 169 of the report of the Commission.

### RESOLUTION 67/258

Adopted at the 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/818, para. 6)

#### 67/258. Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on its activities

*The General Assembly,*

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##### Activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

*Recalling* its resolutions 48/218 B of 29 July 1994, 54/244 of 23 December 1999, 59/272 of 23 December 2004, 60/259 of 8 May 2006, 63/265 of 24 December 2008, 63/287 of 30 June 2009, 64/232 of 22 December 2009, 64/263 of 29 March 2010, 65/250 of 24 December 2010 and 66/236 of 24 December 2011,

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<sup>57</sup> *Ibid.*, Supplement No. 9 (A/67/9), para. 12 (b).

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*Having considered* the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on its activities for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>58</sup> as well as the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled “The investigations function in the United Nations system”<sup>59</sup> and the related note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon,<sup>60</sup>

1. *Reaffirms* its primary role in considering and taking action on reports submitted to it;
2. *Also reaffirms* its oversight role and the role of the Fifth Committee in administrative and budgetary matters;
3. *Further reaffirms* the independence and the separate and distinct roles of the internal and external oversight mechanisms;
4. *Recalls* that the Office of Internal Oversight Services of the Secretariat shall exercise operational independence relating to the performance of its internal oversight functions, under the authority of the Secretary-General, in accordance with the relevant resolutions;
5. *Encourages* United Nations internal and external oversight bodies to further enhance the level of cooperation with one another, such as through joint work-planning sessions, without prejudice to the independence of each;
6. *Takes note* of the report of the Office;<sup>58</sup>
7. *Notes with concern* the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the report, and in this regard encourages the Secretary-General to call upon programme managers to ensure their full implementation;
8. *Notes* the role of the Management Committee in monitoring closely the implementation of the recommendations of oversight bodies, and stresses the importance of follow-up with programme managers to ensure the full implementation of those recommendations in a prompt and timely manner;
9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to redouble his efforts to implement outstanding and recurring recommendations of the Office dealing with issues that are systemic in nature;
10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that all relevant resolutions pertaining to the work of the Office are brought to the attention of the relevant managers;
11. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that all relevant resolutions, including those of a cross-cutting nature, are brought to the attention of relevant managers and that the Office also takes those resolutions into account in the conduct of its activities;
12. *Encourages* the Office, in future annual reports, to further enhance its analysis of general trends and strategic challenges regarding internal oversight in the United Nations and to include an update of all critical recommendations, taking into account the risk category, the target date for implementation and the office to be held accountable for such implementation;
13. *Also encourages* the Office to continue its efforts aimed at enhancing its audit, investigation, inspection and evaluation functions;
14. *Notes* the external quality reviews conducted and ongoing in the different divisions of the Office, and looks forward to receiving updates of those reviews in the context of future annual reports;
15. *Recalls* paragraph 10 of its resolution 66/236, and in this regard reiterates its request to the Secretary-General that he entrust the Office with comprehensively defining and compiling key oversight terms related to the

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<sup>58</sup> A/67/297 (Part I) and Add.1.

<sup>59</sup> A/67/140.

<sup>60</sup> A/67/140/Add.1.

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work of the Office in close consultation with relevant departments and offices, including the Department of Management and the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat, bearing in mind existing definitions used by the Board of Auditors and the Joint Inspection Unit and taking into account the views of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee;

16. *Notes with appreciation* the report of the Joint Inspection Unit;<sup>59</sup>

17. *Reaffirms* that the Board of Auditors and the Joint Inspection Unit shall continue to be provided with copies of all reports produced by the Office, requests that those reports be made available within one month of their finalization, and emphasizes the need for comments by the Board and the Unit, as appropriate;

18. *Welcomes* the efforts made in addressing vacancy rates in the Office, and in this regard encourages the Secretary-General to continue to make every effort to fill the remaining vacant posts, particularly in the Investigations Division and in the field, in accordance with the relevant provisions governing recruitment in the United Nations;

## II

### Activities of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee

*Recalling* its resolutions 61/275 of 29 June 2007 and 64/263 and section II of its resolution 66/236,

*Having considered* the annual report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on its activities for the period from 1 August 2011 to 31 July 2012,<sup>61</sup>

1. *Notes with appreciation* the work of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee;

2. *Reaffirms* the terms of reference of the Committee, as contained in the annex to resolution 61/275;

3. *Endorses* the observations, comments and recommendations contained in paragraphs 18, 19, 21, 23, 25, 29, 30, 34 to 40, 44, 46, 49, 52, 54, 56, 58 to 61 and 65 of the annual report of the Committee;<sup>61</sup>

## III

### Proposal on the dissemination and distribution of audit reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

*Recalling* section I, paragraph 21, of its resolution 66/236 and its decision 66/556 B of 9 April 2012,

*Having considered* the report of the Office on the proposal on the dissemination and distribution of audit reports,<sup>62</sup>

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Office with publishing audit reports on the website of the Office, on an experimental basis, by no later than 1 July 2013, until 31 December 2014;

2. *Requests* the Committee to review the practice of publication of audit reports, including those on the relationship of the Office with management, the reputation of the Organization and the effectiveness of the new report format, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at the main part of its sixty-ninth session;

3. *Decides* that a final decision on the continuation of the experiment shall be made in the context of the review of the mandate of the Office to be conducted during the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all measures necessary to ensure that the credibility of the Organization and its staff is protected.

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<sup>61</sup> A/67/259 and Corr.1 and 2.

<sup>62</sup> A/66/674.

**RESOLUTION 67/261**

Adopted at the 76th plenary meeting, on 10 May 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/858, para. 7)

**67/261. Report of the Senior Advisory Group established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 65/289 to consider rates of reimbursement to troop-contributing countries and other related issues**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* section VI of its resolution 65/289 of 30 June 2011,

*Having considered* the report of the Senior Advisory Group established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 65/289 to consider rates of reimbursement to troop-contributing countries and other related issues,<sup>63</sup> the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the report of the Senior Advisory Group<sup>64</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>65</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Senior Advisory Group<sup>63</sup> and the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the report of the Senior Advisory Group;<sup>64</sup>
2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;<sup>65</sup>
3. *Approves* the conclusions and recommendations (which are summarized in section IV) in the report of the Senior Advisory Group, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their implementation in accordance with the provisions of the present resolution, as set forth in sections I and II below;

**I**

**Rotation**

4. *Notes* that the establishment of a typical rotation period for contingent personnel does not infringe upon the authority of contributing countries to decide on the frequency of rotation for their units deployed to United Nations peacekeeping missions;

5. *Decides*, upon the request of any troop- or police-contributing country that currently contributes less than 3 per cent of contingent personnel (as deployed as at 31 December 2012) to United Nations peacekeeping, to exempt from the application of the recommendation contained in paragraph 108 (b) of the report of the Senior Advisory Group individual units currently deployed with rotation periods shorter than 12 months, and permits those units to maintain their existing rotation arrangements with the United Nations until 30 June 2015;

6. *Also decides* to exempt the rotation of naval forces from the recommendation contained in paragraph 108 (b) of the report of the Senior Advisory Group upon the request of the individual troop-contributing country;

7. *Recalls* that, as summarized in paragraph 108 (b) of its report, the Senior Advisory Group recommended that the Secretary-General may determine operational circumstances and requirements that may demand rotation periods shorter than 12 months, and in that regard requests the Secretary-General, after considering comments received from troop- and police-contributing countries and other Member States, including, inter alia, on how to address existing legal impediments, to submit to the General Assembly prior to the conclusion of the second part of its resumed sixty-seventh session a report setting out the criteria by which he would make such determinations in the future;

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<sup>63</sup> A/C.5/67/10.

<sup>64</sup> A/67/713.

<sup>65</sup> A/67/749.

II

**Absent or non-functional major equipment**

8. *Recalls* that the vast majority of peacekeeping personnel in the field are performing with great diligence and professionalism, enduring hardship and danger in the cause of peace;

9. *Notes* that each deployed unit may operate under a separate memorandum of understanding if so requested by the troop- or police-contributing country;

10. *Stresses* that the evaluation of contingent-owned equipment and its impact on the ability of the unit to perform its duties should be on the unit basis;

11. *Recalls* paragraphs 11 to 14 of the report of the Secretary-General, and requests the Secretary-General to implement the recommendation contained in paragraph 108 (c) of the report of the Senior Advisory Group with the following considerations:

(a) No deduction will be applied until after two consecutive unsatisfactory quarterly contingent-owned equipment verification reports, and in any case not before 31 October 2013, in order to provide contributing countries with sufficient opportunity to address shortfalls;

(b) No deduction will be made for major equipment that is absent or non-functional for reasons deemed by the Secretariat to be beyond the control of the troop- or police-contributing country;

(c) No deduction will be made related to absent or non-functional vehicles unless over 10 per cent of the vehicles specified in relevant memorandums of understanding are absent or non-functional;

(d) Deduction on account of absent or non-functional contingent-owned equipment shall not exceed 35 per cent of reimbursements for any unit in any case;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to notify expeditiously the permanent missions of troop- and police-contributing countries, in writing, in the case of absent or non-functional equipment, as specified in the relevant memorandums of understanding, with a description of absent or non-functional equipment and its associated contingent, in order for troop- and police-contributing countries to undertake corrective measures to fulfil their obligations in this regard.

**RESOLUTION 67/269**

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/677/Add.3, para. 6)

**67/269. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* section IX of its resolution 66/247 of 24 December 2011, its resolution 66/248 A, also of 24 December 2011, section I of its resolution 66/263 of 21 June 2012, section I of its resolution 67/246 of 24 December 2012 and its resolution 67/247 A, also of 24 December 2012,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council concerning the Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sahel<sup>66</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>67</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;<sup>66</sup>

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>67</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

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<sup>66</sup> A/67/346/Add.8.

<sup>67</sup> A/67/604/Add.3.

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3. *Recalls* paragraphs 11 to 13 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to consider alternative locations for the Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sahel, while taking full advantage of the opportunities for realizing synergies with the other United Nations entities present in the region and avoiding all duplicative activity;
4. *Takes note* of paragraphs 16, 21 and 24 to 26 of the report of the Advisory Committee;
5. *Decides* to establish one Senior Political Affairs Officer position at the P-5 level, one Political Affairs Officer position at the P-4 level and one Reporting Officer position at the P-3 level in the Political Team in Rome;
6. *Also decides* to establish one Senior Political Affairs Officer position at the P-5 level and one Political Affairs Officer position at the P-4 level in the Department of Political Affairs of the Secretariat at Headquarters;
7. *Further decides* to approve a budget for consultancy services in the amount of 590,700 United States dollars;
8. *Decides* to approve the 2013 budget for the Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sahel in the amount of 3,624,000 dollars net (3,808,000 dollars gross);
9. *Also decides* to appropriate, under the procedures provided for in paragraph 11 of annex I to its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986, an amount of 3,624,000 dollars under section 3, Political affairs, and an amount of 184,000 dollars under section 37, Staff assessment, to be offset by a corresponding amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment, of the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013.

#### RESOLUTION 67/270

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/898, para. 6)

#### **67/270. Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei<sup>68</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>69</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1990 (2011) of 27 June 2011, by which the Council established the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei for a period of six months, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was resolution 2104 (2013) of 29 May 2013, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force until 30 November 2013,

*Recalling also* its resolutions 66/241 A of 24 December 2011 and 66/241 B of 21 June 2012 on the financing of the Force,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Force with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 52.4 million United States dollars,

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<sup>68</sup> A/67/599 and A/67/704 and Corr.1.

<sup>69</sup> A/67/780/Add.18.

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representing some 15 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 56 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Force in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>69</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Notes with concern* the lack of effective vendor performance evaluation in the Force, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the Force strengthens the controls over the management of vendor performance, as well as other managerial aspects of contracts, such as the claiming of damages or compensation, and also requests the Secretary-General to ensure the verification of expendable and non-expendable property;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make every effort to ensure that all construction projects are completed in a timely manner and that Headquarters continues to provide effective oversight;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

12. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Force is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

13. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>70</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

14. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei the amount of 307,058,200 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 290,640,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Force, 13,760,900 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 2,657,300 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

15. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 127,940,917 dollars for the period from 1 July to 30 November 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

16. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the amount of 1,341,750 dollars, comprising the estimated staff

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<sup>70</sup> A/67/599.

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assessment income of 828,541 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 413,917 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 99,292 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

17. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 179,117,283 dollars for the period from 1 December 2013 to 30 June 2014, at a monthly rate of 25,588,183 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Force;

18. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 17 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the amount of 1,878,450 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,159,959 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 579,483 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 139,008 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

19. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 14,454,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

20. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 14,454,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 19 above;

21. *Decides* that the decrease of 614,800 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 14,454,300 dollars referred to in paragraphs 19 and 20 above;

22. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

23. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Force under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

24. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Force in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

25. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei".

#### RESOLUTION 67/271

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/899, para. 6)

#### **67/271. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire<sup>71</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>72</sup>

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<sup>71</sup> A/67/642 and A/67/777.

<sup>72</sup> A/67/780/Add.15.

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*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1528 (2004) of 27 February 2004, by which the Council established the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire for an initial period of 12 months as from 4 April 2004, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation, the latest of which was resolution 2062 (2012) of 26 July 2012, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation until 31 July 2013,

*Recalling also* its resolution 58/310 of 18 June 2004 on the financing of the Operation and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/242 B of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Operation with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 71.6 million United States dollars, representing some 2 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 52 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Operation in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>72</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Recalls* paragraph 62 of the report of the Advisory Committee;

10. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to take into account any lessons learned from the use of unmanned aerial systems in the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the deployment of such capabilities in the Operation;

11. *Notes* the significant degree of cooperation between the Operation and other United Nations presences in the region, including the framework for inter-mission cooperation with the United Nations Mission in Liberia, and encourages the Secretary-General to identify measures to further enhance and systematize cooperation among missions in the region, including in the delivery of administrative and logistics services;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

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13. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Operation is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

14. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Operation for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>73</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

15. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire the amount of 617,514,700 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of the amount of 584,487,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Operation, 27,682,100 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 5,345,600 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

16. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 51,459,558 dollars for the period from 1 to 31 July 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

17. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 990,341 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 783,850 dollars approved for the Operation, the prorated share of 166,533 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 39,958 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

18. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 566,055,142 dollars for the period from 1 August 2013 to 30 June 2014 at a monthly rate of 51,459,558 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Operation;

19. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 18 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 10,893,759 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 8,622,350 dollars approved for the Operation, the prorated share of 1,831,867 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 439,542 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

20. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Operation, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 28,530,000 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

21. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Operation, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 28,530,000 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 20 above;

22. *Decides* that the decrease of 455,700 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 28,530,000 dollars referred to in paragraphs 20 and 21 above;

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<sup>73</sup> A/67/642.

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23. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

24. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Operation under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

25. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Operation in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedures and practices established by the General Assembly;

26. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire".

#### RESOLUTION 67/272

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/900, para. 6)

#### 67/272. Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus<sup>74</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>75</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 186 (1964) of 4 March 1964 regarding the establishment of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was resolution 2089 (2013) of 24 January 2013, by which the mandate of the Force was extended until 31 July 2013,

*Recalling also* its resolution 47/236 of 14 September 1993 on the financing of the Force and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/268 of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Force by certain Governments,

*Noting* that voluntary contributions were insufficient to cover all the costs of the Force, including those incurred by troop-contributing Governments prior to 16 June 1993, and regretting the absence of an adequate response to appeals for voluntary contributions, including that contained in the letter dated 17 May 1994 from the Secretary-General to all Member States,<sup>76</sup>

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Force with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

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<sup>74</sup> A/67/590 and A/67/706.

<sup>75</sup> A/67/780/Add.8 and Corr.1.

<sup>76</sup> S/1994/647.

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2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 17.5 million United States dollars, representing some 4 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 60 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Force in full;

4. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

5. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

7. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>75</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

8. *Notes with appreciation* the energy conservation initiatives undertaken by the Force, and requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts in this regard;

9. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to keep under review the vehicle holdings of the Force in order to ensure that they are in line with the standard ratios;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Force is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

12. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>77</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

13. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus the amount of 58,514,200 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 55,376,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Force, 2,630,300 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 507,900 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

14. *Notes with appreciation* that a one-third share of the net appropriation, equivalent to 18,681,334 dollars, will be funded through voluntary contributions from the Government of Cyprus and the amount of 6.5 million dollars from the Government of Greece;

15. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 2,777,738 dollars for the period from 1 to 31 July 2013 in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

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<sup>77</sup> A/67/590.

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16. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 205,850 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 186,233 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 15,825 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 3,792 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

17. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 30,555,128 dollars for the period from 1 August 2013 to 30 June 2014 at a monthly rate of 2,777,738 dollars in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Force;

18. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 17 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,264,350 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 2,048,567 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 174,075 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 41,708 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

19. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 138,222 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

20. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 138,222 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 19 above;

21. *Decides* that the increase of 61,100 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be added to the credits from the amount of 138,222 dollars referred to in paragraphs 19 and 20 above;

22. *Also decides*, taking into account its voluntary contribution for the financial period ended 30 June 2012, that one third of the net unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 83,367 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be returned to the Government of Cyprus;

23. *Further decides*, taking into account its voluntary contribution for the financial period ended 30 June 2012, that the prorated share of the net unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 28,511 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be returned to the Government of Greece;

24. *Decides* to continue to maintain as separate the account established for the Force for the period prior to 16 June 1993, invites Member States to make voluntary contributions to that account, and requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts in appealing for voluntary contributions to the account;

25. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

26. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Force under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

27. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Force in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

28. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus".

**RESOLUTION 67/273**

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/901, para. 6)

**67/273. Financing of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo<sup>78</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>79</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1925 (2010) of 28 May 2010, by which the Council decided that, as of 1 July 2010, the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo would bear the title of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and authorized a maximum of 19,815 military personnel, 760 military observers, 391 police personnel and 1,050 personnel of formed police units for the Stabilization Mission, and recalling also resolution 2098 (2013) of 28 March 2013, by which the Council decided to extend the mandate of the Stabilization Mission until 31 March 2014,

*Recalling also* its resolution 54/260 A of 7 April 2000 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/269 of 21 June 2012,

*Recalling further* its resolution 58/315 of 1 July 2004,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 151.5 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 52 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

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<sup>78</sup> A/67/613 and Corr.1 and A/67/797 and Add.1.

<sup>79</sup> A/67/780/Add.6.

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6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>79</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Notes* the effectiveness of the mechanisms based on the community alert networks project for the protection of civilians, and calls for the widespread use of such means in the Mission, in particular in hotspot areas, in order to prevent early any potential threats to the civilian population;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

12. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>80</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

13. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo the amount of 1,535,448,600 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 1,453,358,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 68,804,200 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 13,286,400 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

14. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 1,151,586,500 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014 in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

15. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 14 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the amount of 23,947,700 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 19,328,900 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 3,725,200 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 893,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

16. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 383,862,100 dollars for the period from 1 April to 30 June 2014, at a monthly rate of 127,954,050 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

17. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 7,982,600 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 6,443,000 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 1,241,700 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 297,900 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

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<sup>80</sup> A/67/613 and Corr.1.

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18. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 14 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 127,111,800 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

19. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 127,111,800 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 18 above;

20. *Decides* that the decrease of 3,690,000 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 127,111,800 dollars referred to in paragraphs 18 and 19 above;

21. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

22. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

23. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

24. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo".

#### RESOLUTION 67/274

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/902, para. 6)

#### 67/274. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the final performance of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia<sup>81</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>82</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 4.1 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 171 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>82</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

3. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the final performance of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia;<sup>81</sup>

4. *Decides* that Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Observer Mission shall be credited with their respective share of the net cash available in the Special Account for the United Nations

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<sup>81</sup> A/67/578.

<sup>82</sup> A/67/780/Add.3.

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Observer Mission in Georgia in the amount of 1,573,000 dollars as at 30 April 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2010, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

5. *Encourages* Member States that are owed credits referred to in paragraph 4 above to apply those credits to any accounts where they have outstanding assessed contributions;

6. *Urges* all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions in full;

7. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Observer Mission, their respective share of the net cash available in the Special Account for the Observer Mission in the amount of 1,573,000 dollars as at 30 April 2013 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 4 above;

8. *Also decides* that updated information on the financial position of the Observer Mission shall be included in the report on the updated position of closed peacekeeping missions, to be considered by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session under the agenda item entitled “Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations”;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that best practices and lessons learned from the liquidation of the Observer Mission are shared and taken into account, as appropriate, by other missions;

10. *Decides* to delete from its agenda the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia”.

#### RESOLUTION 67/275

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/903, para. 6)

#### 67/275. Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti<sup>83</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>84</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1529 (2004) of 29 February 2004, by which the Council declared its readiness to establish a United Nations stabilization force to support continuation of a peaceful and constitutional political process and the maintenance of a secure and stable environment in Haiti,

*Recalling also* Security Council resolution 1542 (2004) of 30 April 2004, by which the Council established the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti for an initial period of six months, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 2070 (2012) of 12 October 2012, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 15 October 2013 and decided that the overall force levels of the Mission would consist of up to 6,270 troops of all ranks and a police component of up to 2,601 personnel,

*Recalling further* its resolution 58/315 of 1 July 2004,

*Recalling* its resolution 58/311 of 18 June 2004 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/273 of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

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<sup>83</sup> A/67/605 and A/67/719.

<sup>84</sup> A/67/780/Add.5.

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*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 163.9 million United States dollars, representing some 3 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 56 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>84</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to strengthen coordination among the Mission, the United Nations country team and other United Nations entities in accordance with their respective mandates, including in addressing the root causes of unexpected emergencies, such as the situation resulting from the cholera outbreak;

10. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General that he intensify his efforts to put into effect measures to mitigate the environmental impact of the Mission on Haiti;

11. *Welcomes* the increase in procurement activities awarded to local vendors during the current financial year, and requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to increase procurement opportunities for local vendors;

12. *Also welcomes* the continuing efforts of the Mission to reduce external training requirements through the use of internal and online training, on-the-job training and train-the-trainer programmes;

13. *Notes* the increased requirements for consultants, including in support of institution-building, and requests the Secretary-General to report on the advantages and disadvantages of implementing such arrangements in the context of the performance report;

14. *Takes note* of paragraph 33 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and decides to extend the position of Director of Mission Support at the D-2 level for one year;

15. *Decides* not to abolish two temporary positions of Project Officer (National Professional Officer) in the Community Violence Reduction Section;

16. *Also decides* not to convert one post of Corrections Officer (P-3) in the Corrections Unit;

17. *Decides* to convert the temporary position of Administrative Assistant (Field Service) in the Corrections Unit to a National Professional Officer in the Corrections Unit;

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18. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that no efficiency measure is proposed at the expense of the safety and security of personnel in field missions;

19. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

20. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

21. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>85</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

22. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti the amount of 609,187,500 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 576,619,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 27,297,200 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 5,271,300 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

23. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 177,679,700 dollars for the period from 1 July to 15 October 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

24. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 23 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 4,586,600 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 3,873,900 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 574,800 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 137,900 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

25. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 431,507,800 dollars for the period from 16 October 2013 to 30 June 2014 at a monthly rate of 50,765,625 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

26. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 25 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 11,138,800 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 9,408,100 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 1,395,800 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 334,900 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

27. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 23 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 71,943,500 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

28. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 71,943,500 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 27 above;

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29. *Decides* that the decrease of 824,500 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 71,943,500 dollars referred to in paragraphs 27 and 28 above;

30. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

31. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

32. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

33. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti".

#### RESOLUTION 67/276

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/904, para. 6)

#### **67/276. Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo<sup>86</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>87</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) of 10 June 1999 regarding the establishment of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo,

*Recalling also* its resolution 53/241 of 28 July 1999 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/274 of 21 June 2012,

*Acknowledging* the complexity of the Mission,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

*Mindful also* of the need to ensure coordination and cooperation with the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 34.7 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 57 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

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<sup>86</sup> A/67/587 and A/67/700.

<sup>87</sup> A/67/780/Add.11.

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3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>87</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Takes note* of paragraph 25 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and decides, as an ad hoc measure for the Mission, to approve the amount of 425,000 dollars for the purpose of implementing confidence-building projects aimed at promoting reconciliation among communities;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

12. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>88</sup>

13. *Decides* to reduce the appropriation approved for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 under the terms of its resolutions 65/300 of 30 June 2011 and 66/274 from 48,300,100 dollars to 46,587,900 dollars, equal to expenditures incurred by the Mission during the same period;

#### **Financing of the appropriation for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

14. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 1,673,100 dollars, representing the difference between the amount of 44,914,800 dollars already apportioned under the terms of resolution 65/300 for the maintenance of the Mission and the actual expenditure of 46,587,900 dollars for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2011 and 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

15. *Also decides* that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 14 above, the amount of 905,900 dollars, representing other income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012;

16. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 14 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 46,000 dollars, representing the difference between the estimated staff assessment income of 4,381,300 dollars approved for the Mission under the terms of resolution 65/300 and the actual staff assessment income of 4,427,300 dollars for the financial period ended 30 June 2012;

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<sup>88</sup> A/67/587.

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#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

17. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo the amount of 47,478,900 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 44,953,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 2,117,100 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 408,800 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

18. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 47,478,900 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

19. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 18 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 4,156,100 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 3,966,600 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 152,900 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 36,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

20. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

21. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

22. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

23. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo".

#### **RESOLUTION 67/277**

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/905, para. 6)

#### **67/277. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia<sup>89</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>90</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1497 (2003) of 1 August 2003, by which the Council declared its readiness to establish a United Nations stabilization force to support the transitional government and to assist in the implementation of a comprehensive peace agreement in Liberia,

*Recalling also* Security Council resolution 1509 (2003) of 19 September 2003, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission in Liberia for a period of 12 months, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 2066 (2012) of 17 September 2012, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 30 September 2013,

*Recalling further* its resolution 58/315 of 1 July 2004,

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<sup>89</sup> A/67/609 and A/67/755.

<sup>90</sup> A/67/780/Add.12.

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*Recalling* its resolution 58/261 A of 23 December 2003 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/275 of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in Liberia as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 61 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 55 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>90</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Recognizes* the importance of capacity-building for national staff, and requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts in this regard;

10. *Stresses* the importance of maintaining experienced staff during the drawdown period of the Mission and of expanding the skills of all staff, including national staff;

11. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts of the Secretary-General to enhance inter-mission cooperation, and in this regard calls for continued cooperation between the Mission and the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire;

12. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take all steps necessary to provide the support required for the Liberia National Police to ensure that the capacity-building process is concluded in a proper and timely manner;

13. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to implement the "Delivering as one" initiative in accordance with the relevant mandates adopted by the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the executive boards of United Nations funds and programmes and the governing bodies of the specialized agencies;

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14. *Decides* not to abolish one post at the D-1 level in the Civil Affairs Section;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

16. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

17. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>91</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

18. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in Liberia the amount of 503,181,300 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 476,277,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 22,549,800 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 4,354,500 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

19. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 125,795,325 dollars for the period from 1 July to 30 September 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

20. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,879,675 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 2,375,100 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 406,950 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 97,625 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

21. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 377,385,975 dollars for the period from 1 October 2013 to 30 June 2014, at a monthly rate of 41,931,775 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

22. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 21 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 8,639,025 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 7,125,300 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 1,220,850 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 292,875 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

23. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 11,462,430 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

24. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and

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<sup>91</sup> A/67/609.

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other income in the total amount of 11,462,430 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 23 above;

25. *Decides* that the decrease of 805,700 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 11,462,430 dollars referred to in paragraphs 23 and 24 above;

26. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

27. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

28. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

29. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia".

#### RESOLUTION 67/278

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/906, para. 6)

#### **67/278. Financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of and the note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force<sup>92</sup> and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>93</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 350 (1974) of 31 May 1974 regarding the establishment of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was resolution 2108 (2013) of 27 June 2013,

*Recalling also* its resolution 3211 B (XXIX) of 29 November 1974 on the financing of the United Nations Emergency Force and of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/276 of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

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<sup>92</sup> A/67/589, A/67/705 and A/67/857.

<sup>93</sup> A/67/780/Add.1 and A/67/874.

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2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 19.4 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 57 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Force in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>93</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Force is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

11. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>94</sup>

#### **Financing arrangements for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013**

12. *Takes note* of the note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the Force for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013;<sup>95</sup>

13. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force the amount of 7,503,200 dollars for the maintenance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013, in addition to the amount of 45,992,000 dollars already appropriated for the maintenance of the Force for the same period under the terms of its resolution 66/276;

#### **Financing of the additional appropriation for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013**

14. *Decides*, taking into account the amount of 45,992,000 dollars already apportioned under the terms of its resolution 66/276, to apportion among Member States the additional amount of 7,503,200 dollars for the maintenance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in

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<sup>94</sup> A/67/589.

<sup>95</sup> A/67/857.

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its resolutions 64/249 of 24 December 2009 and 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009, and for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

15. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 14 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 180,400 dollars, representing the additional staff assessment income approved for the Force for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013;

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

16. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the Force the amount of 50,736,200 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 48,019,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Force, 2,277,400 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 439,800 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

17. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 50,736,200 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, at a monthly rate of 4,228,016 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Force;

18. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 17 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 1,480,500 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,276,600 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 164,400 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 39,500 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

19. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 17 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 2,869,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248;

20. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 2,869,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 19 above;

21. *Also decides* that the decrease of 171,300 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 2,869,300 dollars referred to in paragraphs 19 and 20 above;

22. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

23. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Force under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

24. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Force in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

25. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session, under the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East", the sub-item entitled "United Nations Disengagement Observer Force".

RESOLUTION 67/279

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/914, para. 12),<sup>96</sup> by a recorded vote of 126 to 3, with no abstentions, as follows:

*In favour:* Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Yemen, Zimbabwe

*Against:* Canada, Israel, United States of America

*Abstaining:* None

**67/279. Financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon<sup>97</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>98</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 425 (1978) of 19 March 1978 regarding the establishment of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was resolution 2064 (2012) of 30 August 2012, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force until 31 August 2013,

*Recalling also* its resolution S-8/2 of 21 April 1978 on the financing of the Force and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/277 of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* its resolutions 51/233 of 13 June 1997, 52/237 of 26 June 1998, 53/227 of 8 June 1999, 54/267 of 15 June 2000, 55/180 A of 19 December 2000, 55/180 B of 14 June 2001, 56/214 A of 21 December 2001, 56/214 B of 27 June 2002, 57/325 of 18 June 2003, 58/307 of 18 June 2004, 59/307 of 22 June 2005, 60/278 of 30 June 2006, 61/250 A of 22 December 2006, 61/250 B of 2 April 2007, 61/250 C of 29 June 2007, 62/265 of 20 June 2008, 63/298 of 30 June 2009, 64/282 of 24 June 2010, 65/303 of 30 June 2011 and 66/277,

*Reaffirming also* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Force,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Force with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

<sup>96</sup> The draft resolution recommended in the report was introduced in the Committee by the representative of Fiji (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China).

<sup>97</sup> A/67/631 and A/67/747.

<sup>98</sup> A/67/780/Add.9 and Corr.1.

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2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 59.2 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 56 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Force in full;

4. *Expresses deep concern* that Israel did not comply with resolutions 51/233, 52/237, 53/227, 54/267, 55/180 A, 55/180 B, 56/214 A, 56/214 B, 57/325, 58/307, 59/307, 60/278, 61/250 A, 61/250 B, 61/250 C, 62/265, 63/298, 64/282, 65/303 and 66/277;

5. *Stresses once again* that Israel should strictly abide by resolutions 51/233, 52/237, 53/227, 54/267, 55/180 A, 55/180 B, 56/214 A, 56/214 B, 57/325, 58/307, 59/307, 60/278, 61/250 A, 61/250 B, 61/250 C, 62/265, 63/298, 64/282, 65/303 and 66/277;

6. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

7. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

8. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

10. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>98</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

12. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Force is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

13. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to take the measures necessary to ensure the full implementation of paragraph 8 of resolution 51/233, paragraph 5 of resolution 52/237, paragraph 11 of resolution 53/227, paragraph 14 of resolution 54/267, paragraph 14 of resolution 55/180 A, paragraph 15 of resolution 55/180 B, paragraph 13 of resolution 56/214 A, paragraph 13 of resolution 56/214 B, paragraph 14 of resolution 57/325, paragraph 13 of resolution 58/307, paragraph 13 of resolution 59/307, paragraph 17 of resolution 60/278, paragraph 21 of resolution 61/250 A, paragraph 20 of resolution 61/250 B, paragraph 20 of resolution 61/250 C, paragraph 21 of resolution 62/265, paragraph 19 of resolution 63/298, paragraph 18 of resolution 64/282, paragraph 15 of resolution 65/303 and paragraph 13 of resolution 66/277, stresses once again that Israel shall pay the amount of 1,117,005 dollars resulting from the incident at Qana on 18 April 1996, and requests the Secretary-General to report on this matter to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

14. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>99</sup>

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<sup>99</sup> A/67/631.

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#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

15. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon the amount of 520,444,900 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 492,622,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Force, 23,319,700 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 4,503,200 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

16. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 86,740,800 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 August 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

17. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the amount of 2,207,400 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,859,500 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 280,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 67,300 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

18. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 433,704,100 dollars for the period from 1 September 2013 to 30 June 2014 at a monthly rate of 43,370,408 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and for 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Force;

19. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 18 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 11,037,000 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 9,297,500 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 1,402,900 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 336,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

20. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 6,672,000 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

21. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 6,672,000 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 20 above;

22. *Decides* that the increase of 1,087,800 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be added to the credits from the amount of 6,672,000 dollars referred to in paragraphs 20 and 21 above;

23. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

24. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Force under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

25. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Force in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

26. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session, under the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East", the sub-item entitled "United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon".

**RESOLUTION 67/280**

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/907, para. 6)

**67/280. Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan<sup>100</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>101</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1996 (2011) of 8 July 2011, by which the Council established, as of 9 July 2011, the United Nations Mission in South Sudan for an initial period of one year with the intention to renew for further periods as might be required, and resolution 2057 (2012) of 5 July 2012, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 15 July 2013,

*Recalling also* its resolutions 66/243 A of 24 December 2011 and 66/243 B of 21 June 2012 on the financing of the Mission,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 89.0 million United States dollars, representing some 7 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 54 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>101</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

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<sup>100</sup> A/67/610 and Corr.1 and A/67/716.

<sup>101</sup> A/67/780/Add.17.

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9. *Recalls* paragraph 24 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to continue to ensure that close cooperation and coordination are maintained between the Mission and the United Nations country team and to include in his future performance reports an update on jointly implemented activities and progress achieved;

10. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts made to improve the budget presentation and, in particular, the clarity of the elements of results-based budgeting, and in this regard encourages the Secretary-General to continue his efforts;

11. *Recalls* paragraph 28 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to make every effort to ensure that all construction projects, in particular county support bases, are completed in a timely manner for the effective implementation of the mandate of the Mission and that Headquarters continues to provide oversight;

12. *Also recalls* paragraph 77 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the Mission closely monitors the progress of the deployment of the riverine unit and the timely and effective deployment of the Mission to the state and county levels;

13. *Decides* not to abolish:

(a) In the Recovery, Reintegration and Peacebuilding Section: three temporary positions (one Recovery, Return and Reintegration Officer (P-3) and two Programme Officers (P-3)) and one post of Reintegration Officer (National Professional Officer);

(b) In the Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Section: one post of Mobile Team Leader (P-4);

(c) In the HIV/AIDS Unit: one post of Training Officer (National Professional Officer);

(d) In the Child Protection Unit: one P-3 post;

14. *Decides* to establish five United Nations Volunteer positions of Child Protection Officer;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

16. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

17. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>102</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

18. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in South Sudan the amount of 976,627,400 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 924,426,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 43,752,500 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 8,448,900 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

19. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 39,380,137 dollars for the period from 1 to 15 July 2013 in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

20. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 956,629 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 798,714 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 127,359 dollars of the estimated staff assessment

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<sup>102</sup> A/67/610 and Corr.1.

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income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 30,556 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

21. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 937,247,263 dollars for the period from 16 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 at a monthly rate of 81,385,617 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

22. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 21 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 22,767,771 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 19,009,386 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 3,031,141 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 727,244 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

23. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 2,352,100 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

24. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 2,352,100 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 23 above;

25. *Decides* that the increase of 5,095,900 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be added to the credits from the amount of 2,352,100 dollars referred to in paragraphs 23 and 24 above;

26. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

27. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

28. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

29. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan".

#### RESOLUTION 67/281

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/908, para. 6)

#### **67/281. Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 and for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012<sup>103</sup> and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>104</sup>

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<sup>103</sup> A/66/608 and A/67/586.

<sup>104</sup> A/66/718/Add.5 and A/67/780/Add.13.

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*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1590 (2005) of 24 March 2005, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission in the Sudan for an initial period of six months as from 24 March 2005, the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, and resolution 1997 (2011) of 11 July 2011, by which the Council decided to withdraw the Mission effective 11 July 2011 and called upon the Secretary-General to complete the withdrawal of all uniformed and civilian Mission personnel, other than those required for the liquidation of the Mission, by 31 August 2011,

*Recalling also* its resolution 59/292 of 21 April 2005 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/244 of 24 December 2011,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Trust Fund in Support of the Peace Process in the Sudan,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in the Sudan as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 11.2 million United States dollars, representing some 0.2 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 129 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

3. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>104</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011**

4. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;<sup>105</sup>

5. *Decides* that Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission shall be credited with their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 38,463,600 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2011, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2011, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

6. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 38,463,600 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2011, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 5 above;

7. *Further decides* that the increase of 3,982,600 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2011 shall be added to the credits from the amount of 38,463,600 dollars referred to in paragraphs 5 and 6 above;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

8. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>106</sup>

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<sup>105</sup> A/66/608.

<sup>106</sup> A/67/586.

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9. *Also takes note* of the total amount of 27,564,200 dollars from the remaining unencumbered balance and other income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, and decides to defer action thereon until consideration by the General Assembly of the next performance report of the Mission;

10. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan”.

#### RESOLUTION 67/282

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/909, para. 6)

#### **67/282. Financing of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic<sup>107</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>108</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 2043 (2012) of 21 April 2012, by which the Council decided to establish for an initial period of 90 days the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic under the command of a Chief Military Observer,

*Recognizing* that the costs of the Mission are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolution of the Security Council,

1. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>108</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 14 April to 30 June 2012**

3. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to establish a special account for the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic for the purpose of accounting for the income received and expenditure incurred in respect of the Mission;

4. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic the amount of 17,588,800 United States dollars, previously authorized by the Advisory Committee for the establishment of the Mission for the period from 14 April to 30 June 2012, under the terms of section VI of its resolution 64/269;

#### **Financing of the appropriation for the period from 14 April to 30 June 2012**

5. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 17,588,800 dollars for the period from 14 April to 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

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<sup>107</sup> A/67/707.

<sup>108</sup> A/67/780/Add.2.

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6. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 5 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 40,000 dollars, representing the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Mission for the period from 14 April to 30 June 2012;

7. *Further decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic”.

#### RESOLUTION 67/283

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/910, para. 6)

#### **67/283. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara<sup>109</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>110</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 2099 (2013) of 25 April 2013, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 30 April 2014,

*Recalling also* its resolution 45/266 of 17 May 1991 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/278 of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 43.5 million United States dollars, representing some 5 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 60 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

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<sup>109</sup> A/67/612 and A/67/731.

<sup>110</sup> A/67/780/Add.4.

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5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>110</sup> and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

11. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>111</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

12. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara the amount of 61,695,300 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 58,404,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 2,758,600 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 532,700 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

13. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 51,412,750 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 April 2014, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

14. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 13 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,224,166 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 2,018,333 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 166,000 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 39,833 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

15. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 10,282,550 dollars for the period from 1 May to 30 June 2014, at a monthly rate of 5,141,275 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2014 as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

16. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 444,834 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 403,667 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 33,200 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 7,967 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

17. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 13 above, their respective share of the

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<sup>111</sup> A/67/612.

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unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 2,001,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

18. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 2,001,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 17 above;

19. *Decides* that the decrease of 167,100 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 2,001,900 dollars referred to in paragraphs 17 and 18 above;

20. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

21. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

22. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

23. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara".

#### RESOLUTION 67/284

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/911, para. 6)

#### **67/284. Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur<sup>112</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>113</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1769 (2007) of 31 July 2007, by which the Council established the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur for an initial period of 12 months from 31 July 2007, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation, the latest of which was resolution 2063 (2012) of 31 July 2012, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation until 31 July 2013,

*Recalling also* its resolution 62/232 A of 22 December 2007 on the financing of the Operation and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/279 of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Operation with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

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<sup>112</sup> A/67/601 and A/67/806.

<sup>113</sup> A/67/780/Add.7 and Corr.1.

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*Noting* the hybrid nature of the Operation, and in that regard stressing the importance of ensuring full coordination of efforts between the African Union and the United Nations at the strategic level, unity of command at the operational level and clear delegation of authority and accountability lines,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 168.7 million United States dollars, representing some 2 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 54 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Operation in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>113</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take steps to ensure that all personnel adhere fully to the security procedures in place;

10. *Reaffirms* section XX of resolution 61/276, and encourages the Secretary-General, where feasible, to enhance regional and inter-mission cooperation with a view to achieving greater synergies in the use of the resources of the Organization and the implementation of mandates of the missions, while bearing in mind that individual missions are responsible for the preparation and implementation of their own budgets and for controlling their own assets and logistical operations;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/264;

12. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Operation is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

13. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that future budget submissions contain sufficient information, explanation and justification of the proposed resource requirements relating to operational costs in order to allow Member States to take well-informed decisions;

14. *Stresses* the importance of strengthened accountability in the Organization and of ensuring greater accountability of the Secretary-General to Member States, inter alia, for the effective and efficient implementation of legislative mandates on procurement and the related use of financial and human resources, as well as the provision of necessary information on procurement-related matters to enable Member States to make well-informed decisions;

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that all procurement projects for the Organization are in full compliance with relevant provisions;

**Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

16. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Operation for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>114</sup>

**Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

17. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur the amount of 1,410,641,500 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 1,335,248,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Operation, 63,190,900 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 12,202,600 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

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18. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 117,553,458 dollars for the period from 1 to 31 July 2013 in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

19. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 18 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,420,750 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,949,392 dollars approved for the Operation, the prorated share of 380,150 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 91,208 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

20. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 1,293,088,042 dollars for the period from 1 August 2013 to 30 June 2014, at a monthly rate of 117,553,458 dollars in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Operation;

21. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 20 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 26,628,250 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 21,443,308 dollars approved for the Operation, the prorated share of 4,181,650 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 1,003,292 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

22. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Operation, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 18 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 150,437,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

23. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Operation, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 150,437,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 22 above;

24. *Decides* that the increase of 1,059,600 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be added to the credits from the amount of 150,437,700 dollars referred to in paragraphs 22 and 23 above;

25. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

26. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Operation under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

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<sup>114</sup> A/67/601.

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27. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Operation in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

28. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur”.

#### RESOLUTION 67/285

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/912, para. 6)

#### **67/285. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009)**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia<sup>115</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>116</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1863 (2009) of 16 January 2009, in which the Council expressed its intent to establish a United Nations peacekeeping operation in Somalia as a follow-on force to the African Union Mission in Somalia, subject to a further decision of the Council by 1 June 2009, and requested the Secretary-General, in order for the forces of the Mission to be incorporated into a United Nations peacekeeping operation, to provide a United Nations logistical support package to the Mission, including equipment and services,

*Recalling also* the subsequent resolutions of the Council by which the logistical support package for the Mission was extended, the latest of which was resolution 2093 (2013) of 6 March 2013, by which the Council extended the logistical support package until 28 February 2014,

*Recalling further* its resolution 63/275 A of 7 April 2009 on the financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009) and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/280 of 21 June 2012,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the United Nations Trust Fund established to support the African Union Mission in Somalia,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia as at 30 April 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 147.9 million United States dollars, representing some 12 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 44 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>116</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

3. *Commends* the efforts of the Secretary-General to reduce the environmental impact of the operations in Somalia, and in this regard encourages the Support Office to continue to develop environmentally friendly waste management and power generation systems;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make every effort to ensure that all construction projects are completed in a timely manner and that Headquarters continues to provide effective oversight;

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<sup>115</sup> A/67/600 and A/67/712.

<sup>116</sup> A/67/780/Add.16.

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5. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take appropriate measures to ensure effectiveness, efficiency and transparency with regard to the use of United Nations resources, bearing in mind the specific nature of the support package;

6. *Recalls* paragraph 5 of its resolution 66/280;

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7. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Support Office for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012;<sup>117</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

8. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia the amount of 460,409,200 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of 435,801,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Support Office, 20,625,300 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 3,982,900 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

#### **Financing of the appropriation**

9. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 306,939,467 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 28 February 2014 at a monthly rate of 38,367,433 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013 and 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

10. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 9 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 3,763,000 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 2,532,133 dollars approved for the Support Office, the prorated share of 992,667 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 238,200 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

11. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 153,469,733 dollars for the period from 1 March to 30 June 2014 at a monthly rate of 38,367,433 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Support Office;

12. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 11 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 1,881,500 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,266,067 dollars approved for the Support Office, the prorated share of 496,333 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 119,100 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

13. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Support Office, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 9 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 18,792,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

14. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Support Office, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 18,792,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 13 above;

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<sup>117</sup> A/67/600.

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15. *Decides* that the decrease of 96,600 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 18,792,300 dollars referred to in paragraphs 13 and 14 above;

16. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the United Nations Trust Fund established to support the African Union Mission in Somalia;

17. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 1863 (2009)”.

#### RESOLUTION 67/286

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/913, para. 6)

#### **67/286. Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali<sup>118</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>119</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 2100 (2013) of 25 April 2013, by which the Council established the Mission, requested the Secretary-General to subsume the United Nations Office in Mali into the Mission, with the Mission assuming responsibility for the discharge of the mandated tasks of the Office, as from 25 April 2013, and further decided that authority be transferred from the African-led International Support Mission in Mali to the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali on 1 July 2013, at which point the latter would commence implementation of its mandate as defined in paragraphs 16 and 17 of resolution 2100 (2013), for an initial period of 12 months,

1. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>119</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

2. *Concurs* with paragraph 10 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and reaffirms paragraph 2 of its resolution 49/250 of 20 July 1995;

3. *Takes note* of paragraphs 11 and 13 of the report of the Advisory Committee;

4. *Invites* the Secretary-General to consider preparing the budget for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 on the basis of the standardized funding model, taking into account lessons learned, and requests the Secretary-General to present a detailed analysis of the application of the model in the first performance report for the Mission;

5. *Decides* not to approve one General Service (Other level) position in the Peacekeeping Financing Division of the Department of Management of the Secretariat, and also decides that the remainder of the positions proposed by the Secretary-General for backstopping functions at Headquarters shall be included under the support account for peacekeeping operations;

#### **Estimates for the period from 25 April to 31 December 2013**

6. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to establish a special account for the Mission for the purpose of accounting for the income received and expenditure incurred in respect of the Mission;

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<sup>118</sup> A/67/863.

<sup>119</sup> A/67/877.

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7. *Also authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the Mission in a total amount not exceeding 83,690,200 United States dollars for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013 and to enter into commitments for the Mission in a total amount not exceeding 366,774,500 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2013, taking into account the amount of 83,690,200 dollars previously authorized by the Advisory Committee for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013 under the terms of section VI of its resolution 64/269 of 24 June 2010;

8. *Decides* to approve the amount of 3,845,200 dollars (net requirement 3,602,500 dollars) and 22 general temporary assistance positions for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 under the support account for peacekeeping operations;

#### **Financing of the commitment authority**

9. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 75,321,180 dollars for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

10. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 9 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 769,300 dollars, representing the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Mission for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013;

11. *Expresses its intention* to apply assessed contributions in excess of expenditure for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013 against the apportionment or outstanding obligations of Member States for the financial period beginning 1 July 2013, and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to provide a statement of expenditure for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013 for consideration by the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-eighth session;

12. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 330,097,050 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2013, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution 67/238;

13. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 12 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 3,661,500 dollars, representing the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2013;

14. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the United Nations trust funds established to support the Mission;

15. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali".

#### **RESOLUTION 67/287**

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/858/Add.1, para. 11)

#### **67/287. Support account for peacekeeping operations**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions 45/258 of 3 May 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992, 48/226 A of 23 December 1993 and 50/221 B of 7 June 1996, section I of its resolution 55/238 of 23 December 2000, its resolutions 55/271 of 14 June 2001, 56/241 of 24 December 2001, 56/293 of 27 June 2002, 57/318 of 18 June 2003, 58/298 of 18 June 2004, 59/301 of 22 June 2005, 60/268 of 30 June 2006, 61/279 of 29 June 2007, 62/250 of 20 June 2008, 63/287 of 30 June 2009, 64/271 of 24 June 2010, 65/290 of 30 June 2011, 66/265 of 21 June 2012 and 67/255 of 12 April 2013 and its other relevant resolutions, as well as its decisions 49/469 of 23 December 1994 and 50/473 of 23 December 1995,

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*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012<sup>120</sup> and on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 and financing for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013,<sup>121</sup> the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014,<sup>122</sup> the comprehensive report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the pilot project designated by the General Assembly in resolution 63/287,<sup>123</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>124</sup>

*Recognizing* the importance of the United Nations being able to respond and deploy rapidly to a peacekeeping operation upon adoption of a relevant resolution of the Security Council, within 30 days for traditional peacekeeping operations and 90 days for complex peacekeeping operations,

*Recognizing also* the need for adequate support during all phases of peacekeeping operations, including the liquidation and termination phases,

*Mindful* that the level of the support account should broadly correspond to the mandate, number, size and complexity of peacekeeping missions,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014,<sup>121</sup> the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014<sup>122</sup> and the comprehensive report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the pilot project designated by the General Assembly in resolution 63/287;<sup>123</sup>

2. *Reaffirms* its role in carrying out a thorough analysis and approval of human and financial resources and policies with a view to ensuring the full, effective and efficient implementation of all mandated programmes and activities and the implementation of policies in this regard;

3. *Also reaffirms* that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibility for administrative and budgetary matters;

4. *Further reaffirms* rule 153 of its rules of procedure;

5. *Reaffirms* that the support account funds shall be used for the sole purpose of financing human resources and non-human resource requirements for backstopping and supporting peacekeeping operations at Headquarters, and that any changes in this limitation require the prior approval of the General Assembly;

6. *Also reaffirms* the need for adequate funding for the backstopping of peacekeeping operations, as well as the need for full justification for that funding in support account budget submissions;

7. *Further reaffirms* the need for effective and efficient administration and financial management of peacekeeping operations, and urges the Secretary-General to continue to identify measures to increase the productivity and efficiency of the support account;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>124</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

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<sup>120</sup> A/67/635 and Add.1.

<sup>121</sup> A/67/756 and Add.1.

<sup>122</sup> A/67/772.

<sup>123</sup> A/67/751.

<sup>124</sup> A/67/848.

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10. *Decides* to maintain, for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, the funding mechanism for the support account used in the current period, from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013, as approved in paragraph 3 of its resolution 50/221 B;

11. *Recognizes* the continued work and effort of the Secretariat to enhance the capacity of the Organization to manage and sustain peacekeeping operations;

12. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to review the level of the support account on a regular basis, taking into consideration the number, size and complexity of peacekeeping operations;

13. *Emphasizes* that support functions should be scalable to the size and scope of peacekeeping operations;

14. *Also emphasizes* the significant efforts made by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support of the Secretariat to ensure that their requirements under the support account are properly aligned to effective and efficient mandate implementation, and calls upon all departments with posts and positions under the support account to intensify their efforts in this regard;

15. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to determine what constitutes a core or basic capacity to effectively manage and backstop peacekeeping operations and to report his findings in the context of the budget proposal for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015;

16. *Takes note* of paragraph 11 of the report of the Advisory Committee, while emphasizing that there should be a relationship between the level of backstopping capacity provided through the support account and the number, size and complexity of peacekeeping operations;

17. *Recalls* paragraph 17 of its resolution 66/265, and reiterates its request to the Secretary-General to intensify his efforts to ensure proper representation of troop-contributing countries in the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support, taking into account their contribution to United Nations peacekeeping, and to report thereon in the context of his proposed budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015;

18. *Underlines* the crucial importance of ensuring that the lessons learned and best practices of peacekeeping missions are adequately captured, processed and incorporated into guidelines and policies, particularly with regard to peacebuilding efforts by peacekeepers and peacekeeping operations in transition, and in this regard recognizes the significant role of the Policy and Best Practices Service of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and best practices officers on the ground;

19. *Recalls* paragraph 25 of its resolution 66/265;

20. *Stresses* the need to ensure that training programmes are delivered with maximum effectiveness and efficiency and that there is a link between training programmes and mandate implementation, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that, in the budget proposal for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015, resource requirements for training activities are made on the basis of clearly identified priorities;

#### **Secondment of active-duty military and police personnel**

21. *Notes* the difficulties related to the secondment of active-duty military and police personnel against posts, and requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-eighth session on proposals for its consideration, and, as an exceptional measure not to be extended beyond 31 December 2013, to facilitate the full participation of all Member States in seconding active-duty officers;

#### **Government-provided personnel**

22. *Reiterates its request* contained in paragraph 65 of its resolution 67/255, notes that, while the government-provided personnel modality is aimed at facilitating the rapid deployment of specialized capabilities for short-term requirements or capabilities generally found only in national Governments, its use is not a substitute for staff, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the use of the government-provided personnel modality is in line with relevant results-based budgeting frameworks and to provide justification when deployment of government-provided personnel is envisaged beyond one year;

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#### **Budget process review**

23. *Takes note* of paragraphs 78 to 80 of the report of the Advisory Committee;

24. *Recalls* its decision in resolution 65/290 with regard to the responsibilities and structure of the Field Budget and Finance Division of the Department of Field Support, and notes the importance of improving the existing peacekeeping budget process, while recognizing that, in accordance with established procedures, the initial formulation of peacekeeping budget requirements remains the responsibility of heads of missions and the Under-Secretaries-General of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support;

#### **Office for the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership**

25. *Decides* to establish the Office for the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership, reporting to the Under-Secretaries-General of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support;

26. *Stresses* that the nature and functions of the Office shall remain non-executive;

27. *Requests* the Secretary-General to appoint a Director of the Office who has leadership experience in peacekeeping missions and is from a troop- or police-contributing country, taking into account the level of national contributions to peacekeeping operations;

28. *Decides* that initially the functions of the Office shall include:

(a) Strengthening the peacekeeping partnership by assisting in identifying gaps that have an impact on the delivery of mandates by United Nations peacekeeping missions by making recommendations on systemic issues relating to United Nations peacekeeping operations;

(b) Making recommendations to ensure the safety, security and welfare of, and the Organization's provision of adequate support services to, uniformed field personnel;

(c) Working closely with troop- and police-contributing countries and senior leadership, both in the field and at Headquarters;

(d) Making recommendations to incorporate lessons learned and best practices from peacekeeping missions into peacekeeping operations;

29. *Stresses* the importance of effective coordination, consultation and dialogue between the Office and troop- and police-contributing countries in the execution of its work;

30. *Decides* that the Office shall not have an impact on existing command and control arrangements for uniformed personnel, specifically on the responsibilities of force commanders and police commissioners in the field;

31. *Requests* that the Office, in performing its functions, ensure effective coordination, consultation and dialogue with troop- and police-contributing countries;

32. *Decides* that the review of the mandate and functions of the Office shall be conducted by relevant intergovernmental bodies during the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly;

33. *Also decides* that future revisions of the functions of the Office shall be subject to the approval of the General Assembly;

#### **Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights**

34. *Decides* to establish at the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights one post at the P-4 level in Geneva to reinforce the policy, methodology and training capacity and one post at the P-3 level in New York to provide programmatic guidance to human rights components;

#### **United Nations Peacekeepers Memorial**

35. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure renovation and refurbishment of the United Nations Peacekeepers Memorial located on the north lawn at Headquarters and to report thereon at the second part of its

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resumed sixty-eighth session in the context of his overview report, and encourages the Secretary-General to commemorate the annual International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers and other such solemn occasions at the memorial;

#### Other matters

36. *Decides* to consider the resource requirements associated with the online platform CAPMATCH, as appropriate;

#### Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012

37. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>120</sup>

#### Budget estimates for the financial period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013

38. *Approves* the additional support account requirements in the amount of 13,058,500 United States dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013;

#### Budget estimates for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014

39. *Approves* the support account requirements in the amount of 321,307,500 dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014,<sup>125</sup> inclusive of the amount of 18,668,800 dollars for the Umoja enterprise resource planning project pursuant to its resolution 67/246 of 24 December 2012, including 1,268 continuing posts and 24 new temporary posts, as well as the abolishment, redeployment, reassignment and reclassification of posts, as set out in annex I to the present resolution, 109 continuing and 6 new general temporary assistance positions and 68 person-months, as set out in annex II, as well as related post and non-post requirements;

#### Financing of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014

40. *Decides* that the requirements for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 shall be financed as follows:

(a) The unencumbered balance in the total amount of 6,000 dollars in respect of the financial period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;

(b) The total amount of 3,134,900 dollars, comprising interest income of 883,400 dollars, other miscellaneous income of 111,300 dollars and cancellation of prior-period obligations of 2,141,300 dollars and taking into account prior period adjustments of 1,100 dollars (decrease), to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;

(c) The amount of 1,245,800 dollars representing the excess of the authorized level of the Peacekeeping Reserve Fund in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;

(d) The balance of 316,920,800 dollars to be prorated among the budgets of the active peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;

(e) The net estimated staff assessment income of 22,913,600 dollars, comprising the amount of 24,809,300 dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 and the decrease of 1,895,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, to be offset against the balance referred to in subparagraph (d) above, to be prorated among the budgets of the individual active peacekeeping operations.

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<sup>125</sup> Excludes funding for 22 general temporary assistance positions for backstopping functions at Headquarters, in accordance with paragraphs 5 and 8 of its resolution 67/286 of 28 June 2013 (gross: 3,845,200 dollars; staff assessment: 242,700 dollars).

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#### Annex I

#### A. Support account posts to be established for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014

Organizational unit		Number of posts	Post level	Function	Status
<b>Department of Peacekeeping Operations</b>					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Office for the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership	1	D-2	Director of the Office for the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership	New
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>2</b>			
<b>Office of Internal Oversight Services</b>					
Investigations Division	Headquarters	1	P-5	Senior Investigator	GTA conversion
		1	P-4	Investigator	GTA conversion
		1	P-3	Administrative Officer	GTA conversion
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	GTA conversion
		1	GS (OL)	Office Assistant	GTA conversion
	Entebbe, Uganda	1	D-1	Deputy Director	GTA conversion
		1	P-5	Senior Investigator	GTA conversion
	United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo	1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	GTA conversion
		1	P-4	Investigator	GTA conversion
		1	P-3	Investigator	GTA conversion
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	GTA conversion
	United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti	1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	GTA conversion
		1	P-4	Investigator	GTA conversion
		3	P-3	Investigator	GTA conversion
	United Nations Mission in South Sudan	1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	GTA conversion
		1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	GTA conversion
		1	P-4	Investigator	GTA conversion
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>19</b>			
<b>Office of Legal Affairs</b>					
General Legal Division		1	P-4	Legal Officer for Accountability and Judicial Support Matters	GTA conversion
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>1</b>			
<b>Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights</b>					
Field Operations and Technical Cooperation Division	Headquarters	1	P-3	Human Rights Officer	New
Research and Right to Development Division	Geneva	1	P-4	Human Rights Officer	New
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>2</b>			
<b>Total</b>		<b>24</b>			

*Note:* The specific assignment and location of each of the new posts is set out in the report of the Secretary-General (A/67/756 and Add.1) and referenced in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/67/848).

*Abbreviations:* GS (OL), General Service (Other level); GTA, general temporary assistance; NGS, national General Service.

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#### **B. Support account abolishment, redeployment and reassignment/reclassification of posts and restructuring for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

##### **Abolishments**

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/United Nations Office to the African Union/Office of the Chief of Staff*

Abolishment of 1 post (FS Security Officer)

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/United Nations Office to the African Union/Support Unit*

Abolishment of 1 post (NGS Inventory and Supply Assistant) and 1 United Nations Volunteer

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Military Affairs/Office of the Military Adviser/Integrated Operational Team*

Abolishment of 2 posts (2 P-4 Military Liaison Officers)

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Military Affairs/Military Planning Service*

Abolishment of 1 post (P-3 Planning Officer)

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Military Affairs/Force Generation Service*

Abolishment of 1 post (P-3 Planning Officer)

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions/Police Division*

Abolishment of 5 posts (3 P-4 Police Liaison Officers, 1 P-4 Compliance and Monitoring Officer and 1 P-3 Police Communications Adviser)

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Policy, Evaluation and Training Division/Policy and Best Practices Service*

Abolishment of 1 post (P-3 Coordination Officer)

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Policy, Evaluation and Training Division/Integrated Training Service*

Abolishment of 1 post (P-4 Training Officer)

*Department of Field Support/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Front office*

Abolishment of 1 post (P-5 Senior Programme Officer)

*Department of Field Support/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Front office/Integrated Operational Team*

Abolishment of 3 posts (1 P-5 Senior Support Officer, 1 P-5 Senior Administrative Officer and 1 P-4 Administrative Officer)

*Department of Field Support/Field Budget and Finance Division/Budget and Performance Reporting Service*

Abolishment of 1 post (P-2 Associate Programme Analyst)

*Department of Field Support/Information and Communications Technology Division/Field Communications and Information Technology Operations Service/Cartographic Section*

Abolishment of 1 post (GS (OL) Cartographic Information Systems Assistant)

*Department of Management/Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts/Accounts Division*

Abolishment of 2 posts (2 GS (OL) Accounting Assistants)

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*Department of Management/Office of Human Resources Management/Medical Services Division*

Abolishment of 1 post (GS (OL) Receptionist)

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste/Resident Audit Office*

Abolishment of 3 posts (1 P-4 Resident Auditor, 1 P-3 Resident Auditor and 1 FS Auditing Assistant)

#### **Redeployments**

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Operations/Asia and Middle East Division/Asia Integrated Operational Team*

Redeployment of 1 post (P-3 Political Affairs Officer) to the Middle East Integrated Operational Team

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Operations/Asia and Middle East Division/Asia Integrated Operational Team*

Redeployment of 1 post (P-4 Political Affairs Officer) to the West Africa Integrated Operational Team of Africa II Division

*Department of Field Support/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Front office*

Redeployment of 5 posts (1 P-4 Programme Officer, 1 P-4 Administrative Officer, 1 P-3 Programme Officer, 1 GS (OL) Team Assistant and 1 GS (OL) Administrative Assistant) to the newly proposed Strategic Support Team of the front office of the Under-Secretary-General

*Department of Field Support/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Office of the Assistant Secretary-General/Integrated Operational Team*

Redeployment of 2 posts (1 P-5 Senior Support Officer and 1 P-4 Administrative Officer) to the newly proposed Operational Support Team of the Office of the Assistant Secretary-General

*Department of Field Support/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Front office of the Assistant Secretary-General*

Redeployment of 1 post (GS (OL) Administrative Assistant) to the newly proposed Operational Support Team of the Office of the Assistant Secretary-General

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division/Regional Investigation Office in Nairobi*

Redeployment of 2 posts (1 D-1 Deputy Director and 1 P-5 Senior Investigator) to the Regional Investigation Office in Entebbe

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division/Investigation Office in Peacekeeping Operations*

Redeployment of 3 posts (1 FS from the United Nations Mission in South Sudan, 1 P-4 from the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur and 1 P-4 from the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon) to the Regional Investigation Office in Entebbe

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division/Headquarters and Regional Investigations Offices*

Redeployment of 5 posts (3 P-3 from Vienna, 1 P-4 from New York and 1 GS (OL) from Nairobi) to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division/Regional Investigation Office in Nairobi*

Redeployment of 1 post (P-4 Investigator) to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan

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*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division/Regional Investigation Office in Nairobi*

Redeployment of 1 post (P-4 Investigator) to the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

#### **Reassignments/reclassifications**

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Military Affairs/Office of the Military Adviser/  
Integrated Operational Team*

Reassignment of 1 post (P-5 Senior Military Liaison Officer) to the newly proposed Office for the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General (P-5 Senior Military Evaluation Officer)

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions/Police Division/  
Integrated Operational Team*

Reassignment of 1 post (P-5 Senior Police Liaison Officer) to the newly proposed Office for the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General (P-5 Senior Police Evaluation Officer)

*Department of Field Support/Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Office of the Assistant Secretary-General/  
Integrated Operational Team*

Reassignment of 1 post (P-4 Logistics Support Officer) to the newly proposed Office for the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations (P-4 Mission Support Officer)

*Department of Field Support/Logistics Support Division/Logistics Operations Section*

Reassignment and reclassification of 1 post (P-5 Chief of Logistics Operations) to the Operational Support Team (D-1 Team Leader) of the Office of the Assistant Secretary-General of the Office of the Under-Secretary-General

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division/Investigation Office in Peacekeeping Operations*

Reclassification of 3 posts (3 P-4 Investigators to 3 P-5 Chief Resident Investigators) in the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Mission in South Sudan

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division/Investigation Office in Peacekeeping Operations*

Reclassification of 1 post (GS (OL) Investigations Assistant to NGS Administrative Assistant) in the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti

#### **Restructuring**

*Department of Peacekeeping Operations/Office of the Under-Secretary-General*

Establishment of the Office for the Peacekeeping Strategic Partnership

*Department of Field Support/Office of the Under-Secretary-General*

Establishment of the Strategic Support Team in the Office of the Under-Secretary-General

Establishment of the Operational Support Team in the Office of the Assistant Secretary-General

*Department of Field Support/Logistics Support Division*

Redeployment of the Cartographic Section of the Strategic Support Service, from the Logistics Support Division to the Field Communications and Information Technology Operations Service of the Information and Communications Technology Division

*Abbreviations:* FS, Field Service; GS, General Service; NGS, national General Service; OL, Other level.

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#### Annex II

#### Support account general temporary assistance positions to be established for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014

<i>Organizational unit</i>		<i>Number of positions</i>	<i>Position level</i>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Status</i>
<b>Department of Peacekeeping Operations</b>					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Front office	1	P-4	Organizational Resilience Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Team Assistant (organizational resilience)	Continuation
	Executive Office	–	4 months, 3 P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	4 months, 3 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Office of Military Affairs	Military Planning Service	1	GS (OL)	Team Assistant	Continuation
	Current Military Operations Service	1	GS (OL)	Team Assistant	Continuation
Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions	Criminal Law and Judicial Advisory Service	1	P-4	Judicial Affairs Officer	Continuation
		1	P-4	Judicial Affairs Officer (Islamic law)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Corrections Officer (force generation)	Continuation
Policy, Evaluation and Training Division	Policy and Best Practices Service	1	P-4	Coordination Officer	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>8</b>			
<b>Department of Field Support</b>					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia Headquarters Support Team	1	P-5	Senior Support Officer	Continuation
		1	P-4	Support Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	Programme Implementation Coordination Team	1	D-1	Team Leader (global field support strategy)	Continuation
Field Budget and Finance Division	Office of the Director	1	P-5	Senior Programme Officer	New
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	New
Field Personnel Division	Quality Assurance and Information Management Section	1	P-3	Human Resources Officer (administration of justice)	Continuation
	Recruitment, Outreach and Career Development Section	12	P-3	Human Resources Officer (occupational groups)	Continuation
		4	GS (OL)	Human Resources Assistant (occupational groups)	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>23</b>			
<b>Department of Management</b>					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Executive Office	–	6 months, P-4	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	6 months, GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation

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<i>Organizational unit</i>	<i>Number of positions</i>	<i>Position level</i>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Status</i>		
Secretariat of the Headquarters Committee on Contracts and Property Survey Board	1	P-4	Capacity Development Officer	Continuation		
	1	GS (OL)	Training and Analysis Assistant	Continuation		
	1	P-3	Legal Officer	New		
Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts	Office of the Controller	1	P-5	Project Manager (International Public Sector Accounting Standards)	Continuation	
		1	P-4	International Public Sector Accounting Standards Officer	Continuation	
		2	P-3	International Public Sector Accounting Standards Officer	Continuation	
	Accounts Division	1	GS (OL)	Finance Assistant (insurance)	Continuation	
	Treasury	1	P-3	Finance Officer	Continuation	
		1	P-2	Associate Finance Officer	Continuation	
	Peacekeeping Financing Division	2	P-3	Finance and Budget Officer	Continuation	
	Office of Human Resources Management	Human Resources Policy Service	1	P-2	Associate Legal Officer	Continuation
		Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division	1	P-3	Human Resources Officer (mobility)	Continuation
			1	P-3	Human Resources Officer (performance management)	Continuation
1			GS (OL)	Human Resources Assistant	Continuation	
Human Resources Information Systems Section (Headquarters)		1	P-4	Project Manager	Continuation	
		1	P-4	Project Manager (data warehouse)	Continuation	
		1	P-3	Business Analyst (Inspira)	Continuation	
		1	GS (OL)	Integrated Management Information System Help Desk Assistant	Continuation	
Human Resources Information Systems Section (Bangkok)		1	P-3	Development Officer	Continuation	
		1	P-3	Development and Production Support Analyst (PeopleSoft)	Continuation	
		1	P-2	Associate Applications Support Officer	Continuation	
		1	GS (PL)	Customer Support Representative	Continuation	
		6	GS (OL)	Customer Support Representative	Continuation	
	1	GS (OL)	Database Administrator	Continuation		
	1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation		
Office of Central Support Services	Office of the Assistant Secretary-General	1	P-3	Administrative Officer	Continuation	
		3	P-3	Procurement Officer (engineering/logistics/vehicles)	Continuation	
	1	P-3	Procurement Officer (vendor registration)	Continuation		
	1	GS (OL)	Procurement Assistant	Continuation		

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	Facilities and Commercial Services Division	1	P-3	Office Space Planning Officer	Continuation
		1	P-2	Associate Information Management Officer	Continuation
Office of Information and Communications Technology	Resource Management Section	1	P-4	Project Manager (customer relationship management troop contribution management project)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Information Systems Officer (customer relationship management troop contribution management project)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Information Systems Officer (fuel management system)	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>43</b>			
<b>Office of Internal Oversight Services</b>					
Executive Office		– 2	4 months, P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		– 3	4 months, GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Investigations Division	Vienna	1	D-1	Deputy Director	Continuation
		1	P-5	Senior Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-4	Forensic Investigator	Continuation
		4	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	GS (PL)	Investigations Assistant	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Information Technology Assistant	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Investigations Assistant	Continuation
	Nairobi	1	P-4	Forensic Investigator	Continuation
		1	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
	Entebbe, Uganda	3	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	New
	United Nations Mission in Liberia	1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	New
		1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		3	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	United Nations Mission in South Sudan	2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	New
	United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire	1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	New
		1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	New

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<i>Organizational unit</i>	<i>Number of positions</i>	<i>Position level</i>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Status</i>
Internal Audit Division	Headquarters	1 P-4	Information and Communications Technology Auditor	Continuation
	United Nations Support Office for the African Union Mission in Somalia	1 P-4	Resident Auditor	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>34</b>		
<b>Executive Office of the Secretary-General</b>		– 6 months, 2 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>–</b>		
<b>Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services</b>		1 P-4	Case Officer	Continuation
		1 GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>2</b>		
<b>Office of Staff Legal Assistance</b>		1 P-3	Legal Officer	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>1</b>		
<b>Ethics Office</b>		1 GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>1</b>		
<b>Office of Legal Affairs</b>				
General Legal Division		1 P-4	Legal Officer for Administration of Justice Matters	Continuation
		1 P-3	Legal Officer for Administration of Justice Matters	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>2</b>		
<b>Secretariat of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions</b>		1 P-4	Administrative Officer	Continuation
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>1</b>		
<b>Total</b>		<b>115 Positions</b>		
			<b>and 68 person-months (positions of less than 12 months duration)<sup>a</sup></b>	

*Note:* The specific assignment and location of each of the general temporary assistance positions is set out in the report of the Secretary-General (A/67/756 and Add.1) and referenced in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/67/848).

*Abbreviations:* GS, General Service; NGS, national General Service; OL, Other level; PL, Principal level.

<sup>a</sup> Person-months are indicated in the column entitled "Position level".

#### RESOLUTION 67/288

Adopted at the 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, without a vote, on the recommendation of the Committee (A/67/858/Add.1, para. 11)

#### 67/288. Financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* section XIV of its resolution 49/233 A of 23 December 1994 and its resolution 62/231 of 22 December 2007,

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*Recalling also* its decision 50/500 of 17 September 1996 on the financing of the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 66/266 of 21 June 2012,

*Recalling further* its resolution 56/292 of 27 June 2002 concerning the establishment of the strategic deployment stocks and its subsequent resolutions on the status of the implementation of the strategic deployment stocks, the latest of which was resolution 66/266,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Logistics Base<sup>126</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>127</sup>

*Reiterating* the importance of establishing an accurate inventory of assets,

1. *Notes with appreciation* the facilities provided by the Government of Italy to the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and by the Government of Spain to the secondary active telecommunications facility in Valencia, Spain;

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>127</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in his next performance report, to provide information on the interaction of the Global Service Centre with other United Nations entities;

4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/264 of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

5. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to present a comprehensive study regarding the deployment of the Global Service Centre in two locations;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012**

6. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012,<sup>128</sup>

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

7. *Approves* the cost estimates for the United Nations Logistics Base amounting to 68,517,000 United States dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;

#### **Financing of the budget estimates**

8. *Decides* that the requirements for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 shall be financed as follows:

(a) The unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 6,575,100 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2012, to be applied against the resources required for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;

(b) The balance of 61,941,900 dollars, to be prorated among the budgets of the active peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;

(c) The estimated staff assessment income of 5,555,500 dollars, comprising the amount of 5,916,400 dollars for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 and the decrease of 360,900 dollars in respect of the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, to be set off against the balance referred to in subparagraph (b) above, to be prorated among the budgets of the individual active peacekeeping operations;

9. *Also decides* to consider at its sixty-eighth session the question of the financing of the United Nations Logistics Base.

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<sup>126</sup> A/67/582 and A/67/722.

<sup>127</sup> A/67/780/Add.10.

<sup>128</sup> A/67/582.



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## A. Elections and appointments

### 67/404. Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

#### B<sup>1</sup>

At its 76th plenary meeting, on 10 May 2013, the General Assembly, on the basis of nominations by the Economic and Social Council<sup>2</sup> and in accordance with the annex to Council resolution 2008 (LX) of 14 May 1976, paragraph 1 of Council resolution 1987/94 of 4 December 1987, as well as Assembly decision 42/450 of 17 December 1987, elected the UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA as members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a term of office beginning on 10 May 2013 and expiring on 31 December 2014.

As a result, the Committee for Programme and Coordination is composed of the following 31 Member States:<sup>3</sup> ALGERIA,\* ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA,\* ARGENTINA,\*\* BELARUS,\*\* BENIN,\* BOTSWANA,\*\*\* BRAZIL,\*\* BULGARIA,\*\* CAMEROON,\*\* CHINA,\* CUBA,\*\* EL SALVADOR,\*\*\* ERITREA,\* FRANCE,\*\*\* GUINEA,\*\* GUINEA-BISSAU,\*\* IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF),\*\* ITALY,\*\* JAPAN,\* KAZAKHSTAN,\*\* MALAYSIA,\*\* PAKISTAN,\*\* PERU,\*\*\* REPUBLIC OF KOREA,\* REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA,\*\* RUSSIAN FEDERATION,\*\*\* UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND,\*\* UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA,\*\*\* UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,\*\* URUGUAY\*\* and ZIMBABWE.\*\*

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\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2013.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2014.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2015.

### 67/407. Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

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At its 66th plenary meeting, on 8 March 2013, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,<sup>5</sup> appointed Mr. Vinay Kumar as a member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a term of office beginning on 8 March 2013 and ending on 31 December 2013, as a result of the resignation of Ms. Namgya C. Khampa.

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At its 93rd plenary meeting, on 2 August 2013, the General Assembly appointed Mr. Toshihiro Aiki as a member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for a term of office beginning on 12 August 2013 and ending on 31 December 2013, as a result of the resignation of Mr. Akira Sugiyama.

As a result, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions is composed as follows: Mr. Toshihiro AIKI (*Japan*),\* Mr. Mohanad AL-MUSAWI (*Iraq*),\*\*\* Mr. Bruno BRANT (*Brazil*),\*\* Mr. Pavel CHERNIKOV (*Russian Federation*),\*\* Ms. Jasminka DINIĆ (*Croatia*),\*\*\* Mr. Conrod HUNTE (*Antigua and Barbuda*),\*\*\* Mr. Vinay KUMAR (*India*),\* Mr. Dietrich LINGENTHAL (*Germany*),\*\* Mr. Peter MADDENS

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 67/404, in section A of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/404 A.

<sup>2</sup> See A/67/125/Rev.1/Add.2; see also Economic and Social Council decision 2013/201 C.

<sup>3</sup> Three vacancies remain to be filled for members from Western European and other States: two for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2014 and one for a term of office beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2015.

<sup>4</sup> Decision 67/407, in section A of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/407 A.

<sup>5</sup> A/67/559/Add.1, para. 3.

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(Belgium),\* Mr. Richard MOON (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*),\* Mr. Jean Christian OBAME (*Gabon*),\*\* Mr. Carlos RUIZ MASSIEU (*Mexico*),\* Mr. Babou SENE (*Senegal*),\*\*\* Mr. Tesfa Alem SEYOUM (*Eritrea*),\*\*\* Mr. David TRAYSTMAN (*United States of America*)\*\* and Mr. ZHANG Wanhai (*China*).\*

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\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2013.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2014.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2015.

#### 67/408. Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

##### B<sup>6</sup>

At its 83rd plenary meeting, on 21 May 2013, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,<sup>7</sup> appointed Mr. Thomas David Smith as a member of the Committee on Contributions for a term of office beginning on 21 May 2013 and ending on 31 December 2014, as a result of the resignation of Ms. NneNne Iwuji-Eme.

As a result, the Committee on Contributions is composed as follows: Mr. Andrzej T. ABRASZEWSKI (*Poland*),\*\*\* Mr. Joseph ACAKPO-SATCHIVI (*Benin*),\* Mr. Syed Yawar ALI (*Pakistan*),\*\*\* Mr. Gordon ECKERSLEY (*Australia*),\* Mr. Bernardo GREIVER DEL HOYO (*Uruguay*),\* Mr. Ihor V. HUMENNYI (*Ukraine*),\*\*\* Mr. Nikolay LOZINSKIY (*Russian Federation*),\*\* Ms. Susan M. MCLURG (*United States of America*),\*\*\* Mr. Juan Mbomio NDONG MANGUE (*Equatorial Guinea*),\* Mr. Pedro Luis PEDROSO CUESTA (*Cuba*),\* Ms. Gönke ROSCHER (*Germany*),\*\* Mr. Henrique da Silveira SARDINHA PINTO (*Brazil*),\*\* Mr. Thomas SCHLESINGER (*Austria*),\* Mr. Thomas David SMITH (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*),\*\* Mr. SUN Xudong (*China*),\*\* Mr. Josiel Motumisi TAWANA (*South Africa*),\*\*\* Mr. Kazuo WATANABE (*Japan*),\*\*\* and Mr. YOO Dae-jong (*Republic of Korea*).\*\*

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\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2013.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2014.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2015.

#### 67/410. Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

##### B<sup>8</sup>

At its 84th plenary meeting, on 10 June 2013, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,<sup>9</sup> appointed Mr. Larbi Djacta as a member of the International Civil Service Commission for a term of office beginning on 10 June 2013 and ending on 31 December 2016, as a result of the passing away of Mr. Fatih Bouayad-Agha.

As a result, the International Civil Service Commission is composed as follows: Mr. Kingston Papie RHODES (*Sierra Leone*),\*\* Chair; Mr. Wolfgang STÖCKL (*Germany*),\* Vice-Chair; Ms. Marie-Françoise BECHTEL (*France*),\*\* Mr. Daasebre Oti BOATENG (*Ghana*),\*\* Mr. Larbi DJACTA (*Algeria*),\*\*\* Mr. Minoru ENDO (*Japan*),\* Ms. Carleen GARDNER (*Jamaica*),\*\* Mr. Sergei V. GARMONIN (*Russian Federation*),\*\*\* Mr. Luis Mariano HERMOSILLO SOSA (*Mexico*),\* Ms. Lucretia MYERS (*United States of America*),\* Mr. Mohamed Mijarul QUAYES

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<sup>6</sup> Decision 67/408, in section A of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/408 A.

<sup>7</sup> A/67/560/Add.1, para. 3.

<sup>8</sup> Decision 67/410, in section A of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/410 A.

<sup>9</sup> A/67/562/Add.1, para. 3.

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(Bangladesh),\*\*\* Mr. Gian Luigi VALENZA (Italy),\* Mr. WANG Xiaochu (China),\*\*\* Mr. Eugeniusz WYZNER (Poland)\*\* and Mr. El Hassane ZAHID (Morocco).\*\*\*

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\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2013.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2014.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2016.

### 67/414. Election of five members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission

#### B<sup>10</sup>

At its 65th plenary meeting, on 21 February 2013, the General Assembly, pursuant to its resolutions 60/180 of 20 December 2005 and 63/145 of 18 December 2008, elected KENYA and SOUTH AFRICA as members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission for a two-year term of office, beginning on 1 January 2013.

Pursuant to paragraphs 4 (a) to (d) of resolution 60/180, 24 States have already been elected and/or selected as members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission: CHINA, FRANCE, GUATEMALA, MOROCCO, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA selected by the Security Council;<sup>11</sup> BULGARIA, DENMARK, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, ETHIOPIA, INDONESIA, NEPAL and TUNISIA elected by the Economic and Social Council;<sup>12</sup> CANADA, JAPAN, NORWAY, SPAIN and SWEDEN selected by and from among the top 10 providers of assessed contributions to United Nations budgets and of voluntary contributions to United Nations funds, programmes and agencies, including a standing peacebuilding fund;<sup>13</sup> and BANGLADESH, EGYPT, INDIA, NIGERIA and PAKISTAN selected by and from among the top 10 providers of military personnel and civilian police to United Nations missions.<sup>14</sup>

As a result, the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission is composed of the following 31 Member States: BANGLADESH,\*\*\* BRAZIL,\*\*\* BULGARIA,\*\* DOMINICAN REPUBLIC,\*\*\* CANADA,\*\*\* CHINA,\* CROATIA,\*\* DENMARK,\*\* EGYPT,\*\*\* EL SALVADOR,\*\* ETHIOPIA,\*\*\* FRANCE,\* GUATEMALA,\*\* INDIA,\*\*\* INDONESIA,\*\*\* JAPAN,\*\*\* KENYA,\*\*\* MALAYSIA,\*\*\* MOROCCO,\*\* NEPAL,\*\*\* NIGERIA,\*\*\* NORWAY,\*\* PAKISTAN,\*\*\* PERU,\*\*\* RUSSIAN FEDERATION,\* SOUTH AFRICA,\*\*\* SPAIN,\*\*\* SWEDEN,\*\*\* TUNISIA,\*\*\* UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND\* and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.\*

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\* Permanent member of the Security Council.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2013.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2014.

### 67/415. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences

#### B<sup>15</sup>

At its 65th plenary meeting, on 21 February 2013, the General Assembly, in accordance with paragraph 2 of its resolution 43/222 B of 21 December 1988, took note of the appointment by its President, after consultations with the Chairs of the regional groups concerned, of BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, IRAQ and ISRAEL as members of the Committee on Conferences for a term of office beginning on 21 February 2013 and ending on 31 December 2015, and SRI LANKA as a member of the Committee for a term of office beginning on 21 February 2013 and ending on 31 December 2014.

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<sup>10</sup> Decision 67/414, in section A of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/414 A.

<sup>11</sup> See S/2013/39.

<sup>12</sup> See Economic and Social Council decisions 2012/201 D and 2013/201 A.

<sup>13</sup> See A/67/657. As noted, Germany will take over from Norway for a one-year term of office beginning 1 January 2014.

<sup>14</sup> See A/67/658.

<sup>15</sup> Decision 67/415, in section A of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/415 A.

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### C

At its 74th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2013, the General Assembly, in accordance with paragraph 2 of its resolution 43/222 B of 21 December 1988, took note of the appointment by its President, after consultations with the Chair of the regional group concerned, of PERU as a member of the Committee on Conferences for a term of office beginning on 26 April 2013 and ending on 31 December 2015.

As a result, the Committee on Conferences is composed of the following 19 Member States:<sup>16</sup> AUSTRIA,\* BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA,\*\*\* CHINA,\* CONGO,\*\* CÔTE D'IVOIRE,\*\*\* ETHIOPIA,\* FRANCE,\*\* IRAQ,\*\*\* ISRAEL,\*\*\* JAPAN,\* LIBYA,\* NAMIBIA,\*\* PERU,\*\*\* PHILIPPINES,\*\* RUSSIAN FEDERATION,\*\* SENEGAL,\*\*\* SRI LANKA,\*\* UNITED STATES OF AMERICA\* and URUGUAY.\*

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\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2013.

\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2014.

\*\*\* Term of office expires on 31 December 2015.

#### **67/418. Confirmation of the appointment of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme**

At its 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, the General Assembly confirmed the appointment by the Secretary-General of Ms. Helen CLARK of New Zealand as Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for a further four-year term of office, beginning on 20 April 2013 and ending on 19 April 2017.<sup>17</sup>

#### **67/419. Confirmation of the appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development**

At its 84th plenary meeting, on 10 June 2013, the General Assembly confirmed the appointment by the Secretary-General of Mr. Mukhisa KITUYI of Kenya as Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development for a four-year term of office, beginning on 1 September 2013 and ending on 31 August 2017.<sup>18</sup>

#### **67/420. Election of the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session<sup>19</sup>**

At its 87th plenary meeting, on 14 June 2013, the General Assembly, in accordance with Article 21 of the Charter of the United Nations, rule 30 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly and paragraph 1 of the annex to resolution 33/138 of 19 December 1978, elected Mr. John William ASHE of Antigua and Barbuda as President of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session.

#### **67/421. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session<sup>19</sup>**

### A

At its 88th plenary meeting, on 14 June 2013, the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 30 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly<sup>20</sup> and paragraphs 2 and 3 of the annex to resolution 33/138 of 19 December 1978, elected by acclamation the following 21 Member States as Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly at its sixty-

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<sup>16</sup> One vacancy for a member from Latin American and Caribbean States remains to be filled for a term of office beginning on the date of appointment and expiring on 31 December 2014. Also, one vacancy for a member from Latin American and Caribbean States remains to be filled for a term of office beginning on the date of appointment and expiring on 31 December 2015.

<sup>17</sup> See A/67/808.

<sup>18</sup> See A/67/862.

<sup>19</sup> In accordance with rule 38 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the General Committee consists of the President of the Assembly, the 21 Vice-Presidents and the Chairs of the six Main Committees.

<sup>20</sup> Earlier at the same meeting, the General Assembly decided to proceed to elect the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly on the understanding that the elections of the Chairs of the Main Committees would conform with annex II of resolution 48/264 of 29 July 1994 and would not have an impact on the geographical distribution of the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly and the representative character of the General Committee.

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eight session: BOTSWANA, CAMEROON, CHILE, CHINA, FRANCE, GUATEMALA, GUINEA, MALAYSIA, MONACO, ROMANIA, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, SOLOMON ISLANDS, SOUTH SUDAN, SPAIN, THAILAND, TOGO, TUNISIA, TURKMENISTAN, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and UZBEKISTAN.

#### B

At its 92nd plenary meeting, on 24 July 2013, the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 30 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly<sup>20</sup> and paragraphs 2 and 3 of the annex to resolution 33/138 of 19 December 1978, elected by acclamation TIMOR-LESTE as a Vice-President of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session, following the resignation of UZBEKISTAN.

As a result, the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session are the following 21 Member States: BOTSWANA, CAMEROON, CHILE, CHINA, FRANCE, GUATEMALA, GUINEA, MALAYSIA, MONACO, ROMANIA, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, SOLOMON ISLANDS, SOUTH SUDAN, SPAIN, THAILAND, TIMOR-LESTE, TOGO, TUNISIA, TURKMENISTAN, UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

#### **67/422. Appointment of a member of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People**

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 22 August 2013, the General Assembly, in the light of the decision of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People conveyed by its Chair to the President of the General Assembly,<sup>21</sup> decided to appoint the PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA as a member of the Committee.<sup>22</sup>

As a result, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People is composed of the following 26 Member States: AFGHANISTAN, BELARUS, BOLIVIA (PLURINATIONAL STATE OF), CUBA, CYPRUS, ECUADOR, GUINEA, GUYANA, INDIA, INDONESIA, LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, MADAGASCAR, MALAYSIA, MALI, MALTA, NAMIBIA, NICARAGUA, NIGERIA, PAKISTAN, SENEGAL, SIERRA LEONE, SOUTH AFRICA, TUNISIA, TURKEY, UKRAINE and VENEZUELA (BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF).

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<sup>21</sup> See A/67/957.

<sup>22</sup> See also decision 67/560.

## B. Other decisions

### 1. Decisions adopted without reference to a Main Committee

#### 67/504. Adoption of the agenda and allocation of agenda items

##### B<sup>23</sup>

At its 63rd plenary meeting, on 22 January 2013, the General Assembly decided to consider directly in plenary meeting sub-item (a) entitled “Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development” of agenda item 20 entitled “Sustainable development”, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences), and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft decision.<sup>24</sup>

At its 67th plenary meeting, on 13 March 2013, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of sub-item (g) entitled “Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twelfth special session” of agenda item 20 entitled “Sustainable development”, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences), to consider it directly in plenary meeting and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft resolution contained in the annex to the note by the Secretary-General.<sup>25</sup>

At its 71st plenary meeting, on 2 April 2013, the General Assembly decided to consider directly in plenary meeting agenda item 94 entitled “General and complete disarmament”, under heading G (Disarmament), and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a report by the President of the Final United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty and a draft resolution.<sup>26</sup>

At its 75th plenary meeting, on 1 May 2013, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of agenda item 103 entitled “Crime prevention and criminal justice”, under heading H (Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations), to consider it directly in plenary meeting and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft resolution.<sup>27</sup>

At its 76th plenary meeting, on 10 May 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General,<sup>28</sup> having waived the relevant provisions of rule 40 of its rules of procedure, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-seventh session an additional item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali”, as agenda item 171, under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters), and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

At its 82nd plenary meeting, on 17 May 2013, the General Assembly decided to consider directly in plenary meeting agenda item 20 entitled “Sustainable development”, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences), and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft resolution.<sup>29</sup>

At the same meeting, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of sub-item (b) entitled “Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for

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<sup>23</sup> Decision 67/504, in section B.1 of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/504 A.

<sup>24</sup> A/67/L.48/Rev.1.

<sup>25</sup> A/67/784.

<sup>26</sup> A/67/L.58.

<sup>27</sup> A/67/L.62.

<sup>28</sup> A/67/234.

<sup>29</sup> A/67/L.65.

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the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States” of agenda item 20 entitled “Sustainable development”, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences), to consider it directly in plenary meeting and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft decision.<sup>30</sup>

Also at the same meeting, the General Assembly decided to consider directly in plenary meeting agenda item 60 entitled “Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples”, under heading B (Maintenance of international peace and security), and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft resolution.<sup>31</sup>

At its 83rd plenary meeting, on 21 May 2013, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of sub-item (b) entitled “Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions” of agenda item 111 entitled “Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments”, under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters) and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of the report of the Fifth Committee.<sup>32</sup>

At its 84th plenary meeting, on 10 June 2013, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of sub-item (d) entitled “Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission” of agenda item 111 entitled “Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments”, under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters) and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of the report of the Fifth Committee.<sup>33</sup>

At its 93rd plenary meeting, on 2 August 2013, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of sub-item (a) entitled “Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions” of agenda item 111 entitled “Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments”, under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters), to consider it directly in plenary meeting and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a note by the Secretary-General.<sup>34</sup>

At its 96th plenary meeting, on 23 August 2013, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of agenda item 12 entitled “Sport for peace and development”, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences), and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft resolution.<sup>35</sup>

At its 98th plenary meeting, on 4 September 2013, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of agenda item 17 entitled “Information and communications technologies for development”, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences), to consider it directly in plenary meeting and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft resolution.<sup>36</sup>

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly decided to reopen consideration of agenda item 19 entitled “Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2008 Review Conference”, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences), to consider it directly in plenary meeting and to proceed expeditiously with the consideration of a draft resolution.<sup>37</sup>

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<sup>30</sup> A/67/L.66.

<sup>31</sup> A/67/L.56/Rev.1.

<sup>32</sup> A/67/560/Add.1.

<sup>33</sup> A/67/562/Add.1.

<sup>34</sup> A/67/101/Add.2.

<sup>35</sup> A/67/L.77.

<sup>36</sup> A/67/L.78.

<sup>37</sup> A/67/L.82.

### **67/555. Open Working Group of the General Assembly on Sustainable Development Goals**

At its 63rd plenary meeting, on 22 January 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of its President,<sup>24</sup> recalling its resolution 66/288 of 27 July 2012, in which it endorsed the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled “The future we want”:

- (a) Decided to establish the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, in accordance with paragraph 248 of the outcome document;
- (b) Welcomed the membership of the Working Group as designated by the five United Nations regional groups and as listed in the annex to the present decision.

#### **Annex**

#### **Membership of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals**

1. Algeria/Egypt/Morocco/Tunisia
2. Ghana
3. Benin
4. Kenya
5. United Republic of Tanzania
6. Congo
7. Zambia/Zimbabwe
8. Nauru/Palau/Papua New Guinea
9. Bhutan/Thailand/Viet Nam
10. India/Pakistan/Sri Lanka
11. China/Indonesia/Kazakhstan
12. Cyprus/Singapore/United Arab Emirates
13. Bangladesh/Republic of Korea/Saudi Arabia
14. Iran (Islamic Republic of)/Japan/Nepal
15. Colombia/Guatemala
16. Bahamas/Barbados
17. Guyana/Haiti/Trinidad and Tobago
18. Mexico/Peru
19. Brazil/Nicaragua
20. Argentina/Bolivia (Plurinational State of)/Ecuador
21. Australia/Netherlands/United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
22. Canada/Israel/United States of America
23. Denmark/Ireland/Norway
24. France/Germany/Switzerland
25. Italy/Spain/Turkey
26. Hungary
27. Belarus/Serbia
28. Bulgaria/Croatia
29. Montenegro/Slovenia
30. Poland/Romania

### **67/556. Plenary meeting of the General Assembly devoted to the global launch of the International Year of Quinoa, 2013**

At its 64th plenary meeting, on 20 February 2013, the General Assembly decided to invite Mr. José Graziano da Silva, Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, to make a statement at that meeting.

### **67/557. Commemorative meeting of the General Assembly on the occasion of the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade**

At its 68th plenary meeting, on 25 March 2013, the General Assembly, recalling its decision 67/502 of 21 September 2012, in which it adopted the format for commemorative meetings that included statements by the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the chairs of the five regional groups and the representative of the host country,<sup>38</sup> decided that the commemorative meeting of the Assembly on the occasion of the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, held on 25 March 2013 pursuant to its resolution 67/108 of 17 December 2012, would, without setting a precedent, also include a statement by Mr. Ali Mazrui, Director of the Institute of Global Cultural Studies at Binghamton University, State University of New York.

### **67/558. Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States**

At its 82nd plenary meeting, on 17 May 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of its President,<sup>30</sup> recalling its resolution 67/207 of 21 December 2012, in which it welcomed the offer of the Government of the Independent State of Samoa to host the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States in 2014, decided that the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States would be held from 1 to 4 September 2014 in Apia, to be preceded by activities related to the Conference from 28 to 30 August 2014, also in Apia.

### **67/559. Intergovernmental committee of experts on sustainable development financing**

At its 89th plenary meeting, on 21 June 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of its President,<sup>39</sup> recalling its resolution 66/288 of 27 July 2012, in which it endorsed the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled "The future we want", and its resolutions 67/199 and 67/203 of 21 December 2012:

- (a) Decided to establish an intergovernmental committee of experts on sustainable development financing;
- (b) Welcomed the membership of 30 experts in the intergovernmental committee on sustainable development financing, as nominated by the five regional groups of the United Nations, as listed in annex I to the present decision;
- (c) Decided that regional groups shall be authorized to appoint replacements for those experts from their group who cease to be members of the committee,<sup>40</sup> effective upon notification of the President of the General Assembly and the committee by the relevant regional group;
- (d) Requested the Secretary-General to provide the support necessary for the work of the committee until the completion of its work in 2014;
- (e) Requested that the committee hold its first meeting no later than August 2013.

## **Annex I**

### **Membership of the intergovernmental committee of experts on sustainable development financing**

1. Mr. André Lohayo Djamba (Democratic Republic of the Congo)
2. Mr. Admasu Nebebe (Ethiopia)
3. Mr. Karamokoba Camara (Guinea)
4. Mr. Ahmed Jehani (Libya)
5. Mr. Ali Mansoor (Mauritius)
6. Mr. Mansur Muhtar (Nigeria)

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<sup>38</sup> A/67/250, para. 45.

<sup>39</sup> A/67/L.70.

<sup>40</sup> Experts already nominated by regional groups to serve as replacements for members of the intergovernmental committee of experts on sustainable development financing are listed in annex II to the present decision.

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7. Ms. Lydia Greyling (South Africa)
8. Mr. Zou Ji (China)
9. Mr. Lukita Dinarsyah (Indonesia)
10. Mr. Mohammad Reza Farzin (Iran (Islamic Republic of))
11. Mr. Koichi Aiboshi (Japan)
12. Mr. Amjad Mahmood (Pakistan)
13. Mr. Sung Moon Up (Republic of Korea)
14. Mr. Khalid Al Khudairy (Saudi Arabia)
15. Ms. Emiliya Kraeva (Bulgaria)
16. Mr. Tõnis Saar (Estonia)
17. Mr. Viktor Zagrekov (Russian Federation)
18. Mr. Vladan Zdravković (Serbia)
19. Mr. František Ružička (Slovakia)
20. Mr. Francisco Gaetani (Brazil)
21. Mr. Eduardo Gálvez (Chile)
22. Ms. Dulce María Buergo Rodríguez (Cuba)
23. Ms. Janet Wallace (Jamaica)
24. Mr. Reginald Darius (Saint Lucia)
25. Mr. Jorge Valero (Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of))
26. Mr. Nathan Dal Bon (Australia)
27. Mr. Pertti Majanen (Finland)
28. Ms. Delphine d'Amarzit (France)
29. Mr. Norbert Kloppenburg (Germany)
30. Ms. Liz Ditchburn (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

### Annex II

#### **Experts nominated by regional groups to serve as replacements for members of the intergovernmental committee of experts on sustainable development financing**

1. Mr. Joseph Enyimu (Uganda)
2. Ms. Rajasree Ray (India)
3. Mr. Chet Neymour (Bahamas)
4. Mr. Saúl Weisleder (Costa Rica)
5. Mr. Troy Torrington (Guyana)
6. Mr. Jaime Hermida Castillo (Nicaragua)
7. Mr. Gastón Lasarte (Uruguay)
8. Mr. Antonios Zairis (Greece)
9. Mr. Özgür Pehlivan (Turkey)

#### **67/560. Increase in the membership of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People**

At its 95th plenary meeting, on 22 August 2013, the General Assembly, in the light of the decision of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People conveyed by its Chair to the President of the General Assembly,<sup>21</sup> decided to increase the membership of the Committee from 25 to 26 members.<sup>41</sup>

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<sup>41</sup> See also decision 67/422.

**67/561. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters**

At its 97th plenary meeting, on 29 August 2013, the General Assembly:

(a) Decided to reaffirm the central role of the General Assembly on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council;

(b) Also decided to immediately continue intergovernmental negotiations on Security Council reform in informal plenary of the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session, as mandated by Assembly decisions 62/557 of 15 September 2008, 63/565 B of 14 September 2009, 64/568 of 13 September 2010, 65/554 of 12 September 2011 and 66/566 of 13 September 2012, building on the informal meetings held during its sixty-seventh session, as well as the positions of and proposals made by Member States, while welcoming the active engagement, initiatives and intensive efforts of the President of the General Assembly, and taking note of the previous proposals of the Chair of the intergovernmental negotiations, and noting with appreciation his active role and concrete efforts, including the preparation of the text reflecting the positions of and proposals submitted by Member States, with a view to an early comprehensive reform of the Security Council;

(c) Further decided to convene the Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council during the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly if Member States so decide;

(d) Decided to include in the agenda of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly an item entitled “Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council”.

**67/562. Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declarations on HIV/AIDS**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of its President,<sup>42</sup> guided by the 2001 Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS<sup>43</sup> and the 2006 and 2011 Political Declarations on HIV/AIDS:<sup>44</sup>

(a) Took note of the report of the Secretary-General on accelerating the AIDS response: achieving the targets of the 2011 Political Declaration,<sup>45</sup> and the recommendations contained therein, as input for consideration in preparations for the special event of the General Assembly in 2013 to follow up on efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals and in discussions to formulate the post-2015 United Nations development agenda;

(b) Decided to include in the draft agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declarations on HIV/AIDS”.

**67/563. Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of its President,<sup>46</sup> decided to transmit the agreed text contained in draft resolution A/67/L.83 to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session in order for the Assembly to take action on the draft resolution at that session.

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<sup>42</sup> A/67/L.69/Rev.1.

<sup>43</sup> Resolution S-26/2, annex.

<sup>44</sup> Resolution 60/262, annex, and resolution 65/277, annex.

<sup>45</sup> A/67/822.

<sup>46</sup> See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Plenary Meetings*, 99th meeting (A/67/PV.99), and corrigendum.

**67/564. Board of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of its President,<sup>47</sup> recalling its resolution 66/288 of 27 July 2012, in which it endorsed the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled “The future we want”, in particular paragraph 226 thereof concerning the adoption of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns,<sup>48</sup> and its resolution 67/203 of 21 December 2012:

(a) Noted the establishment of the 10-member board of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns, in accordance with its resolution 67/203 and paragraph 226 of “The future we want”;

(b) Welcomed the membership of the board, as nominated by the five regional groups of the United Nations and listed in the annex to the present decision;

(c) Decided that the members of the board shall serve for an initial term of two years effective from the date of adoption of the present decision;

(d) Also decided that regional groups shall be authorized to nominate new members of the board after the completion of the initial two-year term of the board, or in the event of the resignation of a member of the board, and for subsequent terms, upon notification of the President of the General Assembly and the board by the relevant regional group;

(e) Requested that the board hold its first meeting no later than October 2013.

**Annex**

**Membership of the board of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns**

1. United Republic of Tanzania
2. South Africa
3. Japan/Republic of Korea
4. Bangladesh/Indonesia
5. Romania
6. Russian Federation
7. Chile
8. Mexico
9. Finland/Germany
10. Switzerland

**67/565. The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of Azerbaijan,<sup>46</sup> decided to defer consideration of the item entitled “The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan” and to include it in the draft agenda of its sixty-eighth session.

**67/566. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of the Comoros,<sup>46</sup> decided to defer consideration of the item entitled “Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte” and to include it in the draft agenda of its sixty-eighth session.

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<sup>47</sup> A/67/L.81.

<sup>48</sup> A/CONF.216/5, annex.

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### **67/567. International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item entitled “International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals” and to include it in the draft agenda of its sixty-eighth session.

### **67/568. Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad” and to include it in the draft agenda of its sixty-eighth session.

### **67/569. Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor” and to include it in the draft agenda of its sixty-eighth session.

### **67/570. Extension of the intergovernmental process of the General Assembly on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system**

At its 99th plenary meeting, on 16 September 2013, the General Assembly, on the proposal of its President,<sup>46</sup> decided to transmit the agreed text contained in draft resolution A/67/L.84 to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session in order for the Assembly to take action on the draft resolution at that session.

## ***2. Decisions adopted on the reports of the Fifth Committee***

### **67/552. Questions deferred for future consideration**

**B**<sup>49</sup>

At its 76th plenary meeting, on 10 May 2013, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,<sup>50</sup>

#### **Section A**

Decided to defer until the second part of its resumed sixty-seventh session consideration of the following documents:

#### *Item 129*

*Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations*

#### *Civilian capacity*

Report of the Secretary-General on civilian capacity in the aftermath of conflict<sup>51</sup>

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions<sup>52</sup>

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<sup>49</sup> Decision 67/552, in section B.6 of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/552 A.

<sup>50</sup> A/67/673/Add.2, para. 6.

<sup>51</sup> A/67/312-S/2012/645.

<sup>52</sup> A/67/583.

### Section B

Decided to defer until its sixty-eighth session consideration of the following documents:

#### *Item 129*

*Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations*

#### *Procurement*

Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities<sup>53</sup>

Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities: procurement governance arrangements within the United Nations<sup>54</sup>

Comprehensive report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities: sustainable procurement<sup>55</sup>

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions<sup>56</sup>

Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the audit of procurement management in the Secretariat<sup>57</sup>

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Offshoring in United Nations system organizations: offshore service centres"<sup>58</sup>

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit<sup>59</sup>

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Environmental profile of the United Nations system of organizations"<sup>60</sup>

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit<sup>61</sup>

Report of the Secretary-General on United Nations procurement activities<sup>62</sup>

Report of the Secretary-General on the pilot project on the independent procurement challenge system<sup>63</sup>

Report of the Secretary-General on the response to the comprehensive report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on United Nations procurement activities<sup>64</sup>

#### *Item 130*

*Programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013*

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office for Partnerships<sup>65</sup>

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<sup>53</sup> A/64/284.

<sup>54</sup> A/64/284/Add.1.

<sup>55</sup> A/64/284/Add.2.

<sup>56</sup> A/64/501.

<sup>57</sup> A/64/369.

<sup>58</sup> A/65/63.

<sup>59</sup> A/65/63/Add.1.

<sup>60</sup> A/65/346.

<sup>61</sup> A/65/346/Add.1.

<sup>62</sup> A/67/683 and Corr.1 and 2.

<sup>63</sup> A/67/683/Add.1.

<sup>64</sup> A/67/683/Add.2.

<sup>65</sup> A/67/165 and Corr.1.

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### C

At its 90th plenary meeting, on 28 June 2013, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,<sup>66</sup> decided to defer until its sixty-eighth session consideration of the following documents:

#### *Item 129*

*Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations*

#### *Civilian capacity*

Report of the Secretary-General on civilian capacity in the aftermath of conflict<sup>51</sup>

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions<sup>52</sup>

#### *Item 146*

*Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations*

#### *Closed peacekeeping missions*

Report of the Secretary-General on the updated financial position of closed peacekeeping missions as at 30 June 2012<sup>67</sup>

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions<sup>68</sup>

Report of the Secretary-General on the updated financial position of closed peacekeeping missions as at 30 June 2011<sup>69</sup>

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions<sup>70</sup>

### **67/553. Budgetary and financial situation of the organizations of the United Nations system**

#### **B**<sup>71</sup>

At its 73rd plenary meeting, on 12 April 2013, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the Fifth Committee,<sup>72</sup> recalling its decision 67/553 A of 24 December 2012, requested the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chair of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, to coordinate the annual compilation of analysis relating to the financial situation of organizations participating in the common system, including a focus on the budgetary implications of adjustments to all elements of staff costs, both for the most recently completed calendar year and, on the basis of projections, for the subsequent calendar year, and to submit the related report to the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session.

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<sup>66</sup> A/67/673/Add.3, para. 5.

<sup>67</sup> A/67/739.

<sup>68</sup> A/67/837.

<sup>69</sup> A/66/665.

<sup>70</sup> A/66/713 and Corr.1.

<sup>71</sup> Decision 67/553, in section B.6 of the *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 49 (A/67/49)*, vol. II, becomes decision 67/553 A.

<sup>72</sup> A/67/662/Add.1, para. 5.



## Annex I

### Allocation of agenda items<sup>a</sup>

1. The following item was considered directly in plenary meeting during the resumed sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences):<sup>b</sup>

12. Sport for peace and development.

2. The following items, which had been allocated to the Second Committee, were also considered directly in plenary meeting during the resumed sixty-seventh session, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences):<sup>b</sup>

17. Information and communications technologies for development.

19. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2008 Review Conference.

3. The following item and the following sub-items, which had been allocated to the Second Committee, were also considered directly in plenary meeting during the resumed sixty-seventh session, under heading A (Promotion of sustained economic growth and sustainable development in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the General Assembly and recent United Nations conferences):<sup>b</sup>

20. Sustainable development:

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development;

(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;

(g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twelfth special session.

4. The following item, which had been allocated to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), was also considered directly in plenary meeting during the resumed sixty-seventh session, under heading B (Maintenance of international peace and security):<sup>b</sup>

60. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.

5. The following item, which had been allocated to the First Committee, was also considered directly in plenary meeting during the resumed sixty-seventh session, under heading G (Disarmament):<sup>b</sup>

94. General and complete disarmament.

6. The following item, which had been allocated to the Third Committee, was also considered directly in plenary meeting during the resumed sixty-seventh session, under heading H (Drug control, crime prevention and combating international terrorism in all its forms and manifestations):<sup>b</sup>

103. Crime prevention and criminal justice.

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<sup>a</sup> Organized under headings corresponding to the priorities of the Organization.

<sup>b</sup> See decision 67/504 B in section IV.B of the present volume.

7. The following sub-items, which had been allocated to the Fifth Committee, were also considered directly in plenary meeting during the resumed sixty-seventh session, under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters):<sup>b</sup>

111. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments:

- (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;
- (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;
- (d) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission.

8. The following additional item was allocated to the Fifth Committee during the resumed sixty-seventh session, under heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters):<sup>c</sup>

171. Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali.

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<sup>c</sup> A/67/252/Add.1.

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