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Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report provides details on the donation of, and the final disposition of, the assets of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic (UNSMIS). The Mission's assets, with a total inventory value of $15,718,700, were disposed of as at 15 September 2014.

Summary of the disposition of the assets of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic as at 15 September 2014

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Category	*Inventory value*	*Percentage*
Group I: Transferred to other missions or for temporary storage at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi	15 536.1	99.0
Group II: Disposed of in the mission area	–	–
Sold	–	–
Donation to the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic	–	–
Group III: Written-off/lost	182.6	1.0
Total	**15 718.7**	**100.0**

The action to be taken by the General Assembly, as set out in paragraph 9 of the present report, is to take note of the present report on the final disposition of the assets of UNSMIS.

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I. Introduction

1. The mandate of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic (UNSMIS) was established by the Security Council in its resolution 2043 (2012) for an initial period of 90 days, with the mandate to monitor a cessation of armed violence in all its forms by all parties and to support and to monitor the full implementation of the six-point proposal of the Joint Special Envoy of the United Nations and League of Arab States for Syria. In its resolution 2059 (2012), the Council renewed the mandate of the Mission for a final period of 30 days until 19 August 2012.

2. In accordance with regulation 5.14 of the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations, the Mission's asset disposal plan provided for the progressive transfer of assets, where feasible and economical, to other United Nations peacekeeping operations, to the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (UNLB), for temporary storage or to other United Nations activities funded from assessed contributions, as well as for their disposition through sale to United Nations agencies, funds and programmes or their commercial disposal, as circumstances permitted. Information on the actual disposition of all assets of the Mission is provided in section II of the present report.

3. The present report provides details on the final disposition of the assets of UNSMIS with an inventory value of some $15.7 million as at 15 September 2014.

II. Classification and disposition of the assets of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic

4. The process of liquidating the assets of UNSMIS was guided by the following principles and policies contained in United Nations financial regulation 5.14:

(a) Equipment in good condition that conforms to established standardization or is considered compatible with existing equipment will be redeployed to other peacekeeping operations or will be placed in reserve to form start-up kits for use by future missions;

(b) Equipment not required for current or future peacekeeping operations may be redeployed to other United Nations activities funded from assessed contributions, provided that there is a demonstrated need for the equipment.

5. The assets of UNSMIS, with a total inventory value of $15,718,700 as at 15 September 2014, have been grouped into 5 categories: communications equipment, data processing equipment, generators, medical equipment and miscellaneous equipment.

6. In accordance with the principles and policies recalled in paragraph 4 above, the assets of UNSMIS have been placed into two groups (see table 1).

Table 1
Summary of the final disposition of assets of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Category	*Inventory value*	*Percentage*
Group I: Transferred to other missions or for temporary storage at UNLB	15 536.1	99.0
Group II: Written off/lost	182.6	1.0
Total	**15 718.7**	**100.0**

7. Group I includes assets identified as meeting the requirements of peacekeeping operations or United Nations activities funded from assessed contributions. The items in this group, with an inventory value of $15,536,100 (99.0 per cent of total assets value) and a corresponding residual value of $9,356,900, have been transferred to other United Nations missions and UNLB for temporary storage pending future use.

8. The inventory value of assets in group II totals $182,600, representing 1.0 per cent of the total assets inventory value and a corresponding residual value of $68,000. These assets have been written off as a result of accidents, damage caused by natural elements, obsolescence, normal wear and tear and loss (see table 2).

Table 2
Written-off United Nations property reported by the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Category	*Inventory value*	*Residual value*
Accident, damage and faulty equipment	117.5	44.9
Lost or stolen equipment	2.6	2.1
Normal wear and tear and regular life-cycle activity	62.5	21.0
Total	**182.6**	**68.0**

III. Action to be taken by the General Assembly

9. **The action to be taken by the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session in connection with the financing of UNSMIS is to take note of the present report on the final disposition of the assets of UNSMIS.**