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Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution [54/19 B](#), the 2020 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment met from 20 to 31 January 2020 to conduct a comprehensive review of reimbursement rates and to update the major equipment, self-sustainment and medical support services categories.

The 2020 Working Group, which comprised 215 technical, financial and medical experts from 56 Member States, successfully reviewed the reimbursement rates, policies and standards for contingent-owned equipment. In its report (see [A/74/689](#)), the Working Group proposed new definitions, procedures and reimbursement rates for the major equipment, self-sustainment and medical support services categories.

The present report sets out the cost implications of implementing the recommendations of the 2020 Working Group. Should the General Assembly approve the recommendations, with effect from 1 July 2020, additional resources estimated at \$6.028 million would be required for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021.

The actions to be taken by the General Assembly are set out in section IV of the present report.



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I. Introduction

1. In its report dated 28 January 2000 (A/C.5/54/49), the Phase V Working Group on reform procedures for determining the reimbursement of contingent-owned equipment recommended formats for the collection and consolidation of national cost data from Member States for a comprehensive review, and the application of a new average index for each category based on national cost data submitted by Member States, to determine the new reimbursement rates. By its resolution 54/19 B, the General Assembly endorsed the recommendations of the Phase V Working Group, including the proposal to conduct a triennial review of the rates and standards for the reimbursement to Member States for contingent-owned equipment.
2. Pursuant to that resolution, the Secretary-General convened the 2020 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment to carry out a comprehensive review of the contingent-owned equipment system and reimbursement rates, in accordance with the format established by the Phase V Working Group.
3. The preparations for the 2020 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment began in May 2018 with the Secretariat requesting national cost data and issue papers from Member States. The requested national cost data were provided by 22 Member States, with an additional 11 opting to reflect the rates in the 2017 Manual on Policies and Procedures Concerning the Reimbursement and Control of Contingent-Owned Equipment of Troop/Police Contributors Participating in Peacekeeping Missions (COE Manual). A total of 77 issue papers from 17 Member States and 34 from the Secretariat were submitted for the consideration of the Working Group.
4. The 2020 Working Group met in New York from 20 to 31 January 2020. The recommendations of and a list of the issue papers considered by the Working Group are contained in its report, which was submitted to the Fifth Committee by the Chair of the Working Group in a letter dated 10 February 2020 (A/74/689). Summaries of the issues considered by the Working Group and of the key points of discussion on each issue are contained in the report and the annexes thereto. The report should therefore be read in conjunction with the present report.

II. Summary of recommendations and their financial implications

5. Each meeting of the Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment provides an opportunity for the Secretariat and Member States to jointly reflect on the changing context and requirements of peacekeeping. These triennial meetings provide an opportunity to review critical components of the architecture in which troop- and police-contributing countries participate in United Nations peacekeeping missions. Key outcomes from the 2020 Working Group include the introduction of buddy first aid kits, field medical assistance kits and mobile surgical modules; reimbursement for the extended deployments of military and police units in temporary operating bases; expanding the categories of ageing equipment eligible for rotation at United Nations expense; strengthening the provision of environmental management by adding generator synchronization panels and berms for generator foundations; and the inclusion of new major equipment, including two types of unmanned aircraft systems (micro and mini) and explosive ordnance disposal capabilities. The recommendations of the Working Group and, where applicable, their estimated annual financial implications are summarized below.

A. Major equipment

1. Review of reimbursement rates

6. The 2020 Working Group was unable to reach consensus on a package that would have led to a net average increase in the current reimbursement rates for major equipment and self-sustainment. No changes are therefore proposed to the rates recommended by the 2017 Working Group, as reflected in its report ([A/C.5/71/20](#), annexes 1 and 2) and approved by the General Assembly in its resolution [71/296](#), with the exception of those individual modifications agreed to by the 2020 Working Group.

2. Armoured personnel carriers and military vehicles

7. The 2020 Working Group considered proposals from Member States and the Secretariat (requested by the 2017 Working Group) on the classification of armoured personnel carriers and reached a consensus on the definitions of armed and unarmed armoured personnel carriers. The 2020 Working Group also reached a consensus on the definitions of military vehicles, specifically high-mobility light tactical vehicles, infantry fighting vehicles, mine-resistant ambush-protected vehicles and reconnaissance vehicles. The definition of military vehicles was amended by modifying the number of required factors to determine whether commercial pattern support vehicles could be reimbursed as an equivalent military pattern support vehicle. The Secretariat supports these recommendations, which clarify the various types of vehicles and ensure improved inspection and reimbursement.

8. The 2020 Working Group requested the Secretariat to submit for the consideration of the 2023 Working Group an issue paper classifying armoured personnel carriers on the basis of capability instead of value. The Secretariat welcomes this recommendation.

3. Loaned equipment

9. The 2020 Working Group clarified the previously approved modality (Option 6 in the 2017 COE Manual) by agreeing to the Secretariat proposal to replace the term “donated equipment” with “loaned equipment”, given that ownership of this equipment remains with the third country. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

10. With a view to informing the deliberations of the 2023 Working Group, the Secretariat will further study current options under chapter 2 of the COE Manual as recommended by the 2020 Working Group.

4. Explosive ordnance disposal/improvised explosive device disposal equipment

11. The 2020 Working Group agreed to the alignment of the COE Manual with the other explosive ordnance disposal/improvised explosive device disposal documents in relation to equipment requirements and standards. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

5. Generators

12. The Working Group agreed to the introduction of synchronized generator banks with ISO 8528 generators instead of optimum-sized single generators, increasing efficiency by at least 10 per cent. The Secretariat supports this recommendation, given its positive impact on strengthening environmental management in the peacekeeping missions.

6. Loss/damage due to hostile action and forced abandonment damage

13. The 2020 Working Group agreed to the timely processing of claims for loss and damage arising from hostile action and forced abandonment. It was also agreed that claims for loss of or damage to spare parts, minor equipment and consumables would not be excluded when such losses are suffered during initial deployment organized by the United Nations. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

14. The 2020 Working Group further agreed that, in cases of hostile action during transit as part of the initial deployment organized by the United Nations, the reimbursement for the loss/damage would cover both major equipment and self-sustainment items. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

15. The 2020 Working Group encouraged troop- and police-contributing countries to expeditiously report the loss of or damage to equipment. The Secretariat was requested to compile this data on an annual basis for consideration by the 2023 Working Group. The Secretariat welcomes this recommendation.

7. Helicopter landing site kits

16. The 2020 Working Group adopted the Secretariat proposal, as amended, to introduce helicopter landing site kits as a standard package for deployed units. The Secretariat supports this recommendation, which enhances the survivability of uniformed personnel undertaking operations in highly unpredictable and remote areas of operations and at night.

8. Mobile kitchens

17. The 2020 Working Group agreed that a financial assessment of the catering self-sustainment rate would be submitted to the 2023 Working Group, incorporating any potential use of mobile kitchens. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

9. Personal kit

18. In view of the differences in individual kits for troops and formed police units, the 2020 Working Group requested the Secretariat to provide data on and an assessment of riot control equipment currently deployed by troop- and police-contributing countries. The Secretariat welcomes this recommendation.

19. The Secretariat welcomes the technical amendments to replace the individual kit for formed police units, as recommended by the 2020 Working Group.

10. Deployment delays

20. The 2020 Working Group requested the Secretariat to continue to study and assess the reasons for delays in deployments and the implications thereof and to present information in this regard to the 2023 Working Group. The Secretariat welcomes the recommendation and wishes to indicate that a study is ongoing to identify the key reasons for delays in deployments. If the recommendation is approved, the Secretariat intends to present information on this study to the 2023 Working Group.

11. Rotation of equipment at United Nations expense

21. The Secretariat welcomes the recommendation, based on its proposal, to include police vehicles and combat vehicles in the list of equipment categories eligible for rotation at United Nations expense. The 2020 Working Group also agreed to a reduction in the eligibility requirement from seven years of deployment to five years

in exceptional circumstances. If approved, the Secretariat will develop the guidelines that would be applied in implementing this recommendation.

12. Transportation

22. The 2020 Working Group agreed that the United Nations could assist, upon request, troop- and police-contributing countries with guidance on arranging shipment and with necessary support in obtaining cargo entry clearances from host countries. The Secretariat welcomes this recommendation.

23. The Secretariat also welcomes the request of the 2020 Working Group that troop- and police-contributing countries provide data on loss or damage during transit with a value less than 10 per cent of generic fair market value and that the Secretariat provide data on claims for loss or damage during transit for 10 per cent or more of generic fair market value submitted by the troop-/police-contributors. The consolidated data are to be presented to the 2023 Working Group.

13. Unmanned aircraft systems

24. The Secretariat welcomes the 2020 Working Group's recommendations, based on its proposal, to amend the definition of unmanned aircraft systems, the refined definitions of the different classes of unmanned aircraft systems and the revised rate of reimbursement for micro- and mini-systems deployed as major equipment. The recommendation further clarifies the requirements and specifications for deployment of this equipment.

B. Self-sustainment

1. Accommodation

25. The Secretariat welcomes the recommendation to repatriate tentage at the request of troop- and police-contributing countries under United Nations arrangements whenever logistically and financially feasible.

26. The Secretariat supports the recommendation to repair or replace United Nations-provided accommodation and ablution units that are reported in the quarterly inspection reports as not meeting United Nations standards for field mission accommodation and the request to present a review of causes of non-compliant United Nations-provided accommodation in field missions.

2. Ammunition

27. The 2020 Working Group agreed that a comprehensive study to streamline and simplify the process of claims submission and reimbursement for expended or expired ammunition would be presented to the 2023 Working Group. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

28. The Secretariat supports and welcomes the recommendations leading to the alignment of the COE Manual with the *United Nations Manual on Ammunition Management* with due regard to quantities, shelf life and storage containers.

3. Cease of operations

29. The Secretariat welcomes the request for a study to inform the 2023 Working Group on self-sustainment categories and subcategories that could be eligible for reimbursement at 100 per cent after the cessation of operations and until the uniformed personnel in formed units depart the mission area.

30. The 2020 Working Group agreed to modify the rates of reimbursement to incorporate references to the date that operations cease. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

4. Inspections and standards of verification

31. The 2020 Working Group agreed that the scheduling of operational readiness inspections would duly incorporate operational tasks in support of mission mandates. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

5. Internet access and communication

32. The Secretariat supports the request for a study to inform the 2023 Working Group of the recurring costs and utilization of data, voice and/or bandwidth required for communication equipment provided under major equipment for operational purposes.

33. The Secretariat also supports the request for a comprehensive study to inform the 2023 Working Group of the technical aspects of services provided under Internet access, such as data for each individual deployed uniformed personnel member. Where available and robust, the study may include the cost implications of such technical aspects.

34. The 2020 Working Group agreed to increase the generic monthly reimbursement rate for Internet access under self-sustainment from \$3.16 to \$4.00. The Secretariat welcomes this agreed recommendation.

6. Minor engineering

35. The Secretariat supports the recommendation to amend the responsibilities related to minor engineering during the development and maintenance of the camp area, with a view to supporting environmentally sensitive approaches.

7. Mission factors

36. The 2020 Working Group modified the calculation sheet used for mission factors and agreed to the automatic update of mission factors without the need for renegotiation. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

37. The Secretariat welcomes the request for a study to inform the 2023 Working Group of implementation mechanism options for a new “operational engagement factor” that would address the wear and tear of equipment associated with the level of activity in the mission area.

38. The 2020 Working Group agreed to changes in the methodology used to determine mission factors. The Secretariat supports these changes. If approved, the Secretariat will begin to review the mission factor for field missions on the basis of the new methodology.

39. The 2020 Working Group agreed to the introduction of an “extended temporary operation base deployment premium”. The Secretariat supports and welcomes the introduction of this premium, which is meant to acknowledge and reduce the burden on troop- and police-contributors deploying for extended periods in such temporary sites.

8. Night observation

40. The 2020 Working Group agreed to reduce the minimum detection distance required for night observation devices from 1,000 m to 300 m. The Secretariat supports this recommendation.

9. Technical and editorial changes to the Manual on Policies and Procedures Concerning the Reimbursement and Control of Contingent-Owned Equipment of Troop/Police Contributors Participating in Peacekeeping Missions

41. The 2020 Working Group endorsed the changes to the COE Manual outlined by the Secretariat to address technical issues and to reflect decisions taken by the General Assembly since the meeting of the 2017 Working Group. The Secretariat welcomes this endorsement and intends to reflect these changes in the next edition of the COE Manual.

42. The Secretariat supports the recommendation for the inclusion of a dedicated email address to which troop- and police-contributing countries may write to request assistance in clarifying and interpreting the COE Manual.

C. Medical support services

1. Waste management

43. The Secretariat supports the recommendations to strengthen standards for waste management practices, the incorporation of references to other relevant waste management policies and the reflection of two new systems addressing waste treatment and disposal.

2. First aid kits

44. The Secretariat supports and welcomes the recommendation to add a buddy first aid kit as a self-sustainment category. The 2020 Working Group agreed that the deployment of buddy first aid kits would commence as soon as possible, with mandatory deployments effective 1 July 2022. The Secretariat will continue the implementation of existing modalities for any gaps in capabilities until this date.

45. The Secretariat also supports and welcomes the addition of a field medical assistance kit as a major equipment item in the recommended ratio of one such kit per company-sized unit, to be negotiated on the basis of mission-specific conditions.

3. New major equipment

46. The 2020 Working Group agreed to the inclusion of cardiac troponin for early diagnosis of myocardial infarction as medical major equipment. In addition, the Working Group required compliance with International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Safety Standard No. SSG-46 (Radiation protection and safety in medical uses of ionizing radiation) for all radiography and dental facilities. The Secretariat welcomes both these recommendations.

4. Light mobile surgical module

47. The Secretariat welcomes and supports the addition of a new light mobile surgical capability, which it originally proposed.

48. The Secretariat supports the recommendation to collect data and related information required to determine the self-sustainment rate applicable to the light mobile surgical module. These data and information are to be presented to the 2023 Working Group.

5. Medical personnel

49. The Secretariat supports the recommendation to strengthen the requirement that medical personnel be backfilled during leave periods (including unforeseen leave)

and that replacements should meet the requisite technical clearance standards. In those instances of unforeseen leave (e.g., compassionate or emergency leave), the 2020 Working Group agreed to the addition of a 72-hour grace period before the absence of technically cleared medical personnel would have implications for determining serviceability.

6. Technical clearance

50. In line with the *Medical Support Manual for United Nations Field Missions*, the 2020 Working Group agreed to the reinforcing of the requirement for all medical personnel to be credentialed and evaluated to meet the standards contained in the COE Manual. The Working Group agreed that a failure to fulfil the technical clearance criteria would render the medical support non-operational and ineligible for reimbursement. The Secretariat welcomes this recommendation.

7. Ambulances on naval vessels

51. The Secretariat agrees with the recommendation of the 2020 Working Group to remove the requirement to deploy ambulances on naval vessels to meet Level I medical facility standards.

8. Fee-for-service

52. The 2020 Working Group agreed to increase the fee-for-service rates by 5 per cent across all categories, in addition to a new rate for physiotherapy. The Secretariat welcomes these recommendations. If approved, the Secretariat will update the COE Manual accordingly.

9. Health-Care Management and Occupational Safety and Health Division and Chief Medical Officer/Force Medical Officer conference

53. The Secretariat supports the Working Group's recommendation to open the annual Health-Care Management and Occupational Safety and Health Division and Chief Medical Officer/Force Medical Officer conference to the participation of medical subject-matter experts from troop- and police-contributing countries to allow the exchange of best practices and lessons learned.

10. Medical module self-sustainment rates

54. The Secretariat supports the 2020 Working Group's recommendation to collect data and related information to determine the self-sustainment rates for four medical modules: aeromedical evacuation module, forward surgery module, orthopaedic module and physiotherapy module. These data and information are to be presented to the 2023 Working Group.

III. Conclusion

55. The Secretariat expresses its appreciation to the 2020 Working Group for the enormous task that it undertook in carrying out a comprehensive review of the data and for the guidance that it has provided. The proposed revised standards and procedures and other recommendations will benefit the Secretariat by improving the structure of the contingent-owned equipment system and provide more transparent and enhanced verification tools.

56. In preparation for the 2023 Working Group, the Secretariat appeals to Member States to submit national cost data no later than six months before the meeting in order

to allow time for the consolidation and validation of such data. It also wishes that issue papers be submitted no later than three months before the meeting.

57. The Chair of the 2020 Working Group proposed, in his letter to the Chair of the Fifth Committee ([A/74/689](#)), that a pre-session organizational meeting of the 2023 Working Group should again be convened following the practice before the 2020 Working Group. This pre-session organizational meeting would be convened in the fall immediately prior to the January meetings of the 2023 Working Group to elect members of the Bureau, to propose the creation of sub-working groups, to decide on the allocation of agenda items and to adopt the provisional programme of work. The Secretariat welcomes this proposal as a way to maximize the time available to the 2023 Working Group to address its increasing workload and suggests that the organizational meeting be held in November 2022.

IV. Actions to be taken by the General Assembly

58. The actions to be taken by the General Assembly in connection with the report of the 2020 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment (see [A/74/689](#)) are set out below:

- (a) To request the Secretariat to submit for the consideration of the 2023 Working Group an issue paper classifying armoured personnel carriers on the basis of capability instead of value;
- (b) To approve the definitions of unarmed and armed armoured personnel carriers and the definition of military vehicles;
- (c) To approve the replacement of the term “donated equipment” with “loaned equipment”;
- (d) To request the Secretariat to further examine the possible arrangements for the provision of major equipment and maintenance, as listed in chapter 2, annex B, of the 2017 COE Manual;
- (e) To approve the alignment of the COE Manual with explosive ordnance disposal/improvised explosive device disposal documents in relation to equipment requirements and standards;
- (f) To approve the introduction of synchronized generator banks with ISO 8528 generators instead of optimum-sized single generators, thereby increasing efficiency by at least 10 per cent;
- (g) To agree to the timely processing of compensation claims for loss and damage arising from hostile action and forced abandonment and to not exclude compensation claims for loss of or damage to spare parts, minor equipment and consumables when such losses are suffered during initial deployment organized by the United Nations;
- (h) To approve, in cases of hostile actions during transit as part of the initial deployment organized by the United Nations, the reimbursement for the loss/damage that would cover both the major equipment and self-sustainment items;
- (i) To encourage troop- and police-contributing countries to expeditiously report the loss of or damage to the equipment and to request that the Secretariat compile these data on an annual basis for consideration by the 2023 Working Group;

- (j) To approve the introduction of helicopter landing site kits as a standard package for deployed units;
- (k) To request the Secretariat to submit a financial assessment of the catering self-sustainment rate to the 2023 Working Group incorporating any potential use of mobile kitchens;
- (l) To request the Secretariat to provide data on and an assessment of riot control equipment currently deployed by troop- and police-contributing countries;
- (m) To approve the technical amendments to replace the individual kit for formed police units;
- (n) To request the Secretariat to continue to study and assess the reasons for deployment delays;
- (o) To approve the inclusion of police vehicles and combat vehicles in the list of equipment categories eligible for rotation at United Nations expense;
- (p) To approve the reduction in the eligibility requirement for rotation at United Nations expense from seven years of deployment to five years in exceptional circumstances;
- (q) To approve the Secretariat assisting troop- and police-contributing countries with guidance on arranging shipment and with necessary support in obtaining cargo entry clearances from host countries, when requested;
- (r) To encourage troop- and police-contributing countries to provide data on loss or damage during transit with a value of less than 10 per cent of generic fair market value and to request that the Secretariat provide data on claims for loss or damage during transit for 10 per cent or more of generic fair market value submitted by the troop-/police-contributors;
- (s) To approve amendments to the definition of unmanned aerial systems, the refined definitions of the different classes of unmanned aircraft systems and the revised rate of reimbursement for micro- and mini-systems deployed as major equipment;
- (t) To approve the repair or replacement of those United Nations-provided accommodation and ablution units reported in the quarterly inspection reports as not meeting United Nations standards for field mission accommodation and the requested study of causes of substandard accommodation;
- (u) To approve the repatriation of tentage at the request of troop- or police-contributing countries under United Nations arrangements whenever logistically and financially feasible;
- (v) To request the Secretariat to provide a comprehensive study on streamlining and simplifying the process of claim submission and reimbursement for expended or expired ammunition;
- (w) To approve the alignment of the COE Manual with the *United Nations Manual on Ammunition Management* with due regard to quantities, shelf life and storage containers;
- (x) To request the Secretariat to prepare a study to inform the 2023 Working Group of those self-sustainment categories and subcategories that could be eligible for reimbursement at 100 per cent after the cessation of operations and until the uniformed personnel in formed units depart the mission area;

- (y) To approve the modification in the rates of reimbursement based on the date that operations cease;
- (z) To agree that the scheduling of operational readiness inspections should duly incorporate operational tasks in support of mission mandates;
- (aa) To request the Secretariat to prepare a study to inform the 2023 Working Group of the recurring costs and utilization of data, voice and/or bandwidth required for communication equipment provided under major equipment for operational purposes;
- (bb) To request the Secretariat to prepare a study to inform the 2023 Working Group of the technical aspects of services provided under Internet access such as data for each individual deployed uniformed personnel member;
- (cc) To approve the increase in the generic monthly reimbursement rate for Internet access under self-sustainment from \$3.16 to \$4.00;
- (dd) To approve amending the responsibilities related to minor engineering during the development and maintenance of the camp area, with a view to supporting environmentally sensitive approaches;
- (ee) To approve changes in the calculation sheet for mission factors and the automatic update of new mission factors without the need for renegotiation;
- (ff) To request the Secretariat to prepare a study to inform the 2023 Working Group of options for implementation mechanisms for a new “operational engagement factor” that would reflect the wear and tear of equipment related to the level of activity in the mission area;
- (gg) To approve the changes in the methodology used to determine mission factors;
- (hh) To approve the introduction of an “extended temporary operating base deployment premium”;
- (ii) To agree to reduce the minimum detection distance required for night observation devices from 1,000 m to 300 m;
- (jj) To approve the technical and editorial changes to the COE Manual to address technical issues and to reflect decisions taken by the General Assembly since the meeting of the 2017 Working Group;
- (kk) To approve the inclusion of a dedicated email address to which troop- and police-contributing countries may write to request assistance in clarifying and interpreting the COE Manual;
- (ll) To approve strengthening standards for waste management practices, the incorporation of references to other relevant waste management policies and the reflection of two new systems addressing waste treatment and disposal;
- (mm) To approve the addition of a buddy first aid kit as a self-sustainment category, with mandatory deployments effective 1 July 2022 and existing modalities continuing until that date;
- (nn) To approve the addition of a field medical assistance kit as a major equipment item in the recommended ratio of one such kits per company-sized unit to be negotiated on the basis of mission-specific conditions;
- (oo) To approve the inclusion of cardiac troponin for early diagnosis of myocardial infarction as medical major equipment and to approve compliance with IAEA Safety Standard No. SSG-46 (Radiation protection and safety in medical uses of ionizing radiation) for all radiography and dental facilities;

(pp) To approve the addition of a new light mobile surgical capability and to request that the Secretariat collect data and related information required to determine the self-sustainment rate during the 2023 Working Group meeting;

(qq) To approve the requirement that medical personnel be backfilled during leave periods (including unforeseen leave) and that replacements meet the requisite technical clearance standards, and the addition of a 72-hour grace period before the absence of technically cleared medical personnel would have implications for determining serviceability;

(rr) To approve the reinforcing of the requirement that all medical personnel be credentialed and evaluated to meet COE Manual standards in line with the *Medical Support Manual for United Nations Field Missions* and the requirement that a failure to fulfil the technical clearance criteria would render the medical support non-operational and ineligible for reimbursement;

(ss) To approve the requirement that ambulances are not a requirement for Level I medical facilities on naval vessels;

(tt) To approve the 5 per cent increase in fee-for-service rates across all categories, in addition to a new rate for physiotherapy;

(uu) To encourage the participation of medical subject matter experts from troop- and police-contributing countries in the annual Health-Care Management and Occupational Safety and Health Division and Chief Medical Officer/Force Medical Officer conference;

(vv) To request the Secretariat to collect data and related information to inform the 2023 Working Group on determining the self-sustainment rates for the aeromedical evacuation module, forward surgery module, orthopaedic module and physiotherapy module.

Annex

Estimated financial implications of the implementation of the recommendations of the 2020 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment

(United States dollars)

<i>Service or item</i>	<i>Estimated cost</i>
Annual recurrent cost for 2020/21	
Overall increase in contingent-owned equipment rates	
Major equipment: explosive ordnance disposal/improvised explosive device disposal equipment	7 632
Major equipment: helicopter landing site kits	44 556
Major equipment: unmanned aircraft systems	–
Medical support: pre-hospital trauma care kits – buddy first aid kit and the basic-level first aid kit	2 582 400
Medical support: pre-hospital trauma care kits – field medical assistance kit	176 400
Medical support: medical major equipment – cardiac troponin	532
Medical support: light mobile surgical module	309 600
Self-sustainment: increase in reimbursement rate for internet access to \$4	806 400
Self-sustainment: review of procedures for determining mission factors	2 100 000
Total annual cost of implementing the recommendations of the 2020 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment	6 027 520