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## Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei

### Report of the Fifth Committee

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#### I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendation made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 152 is set out in the report of the Committee contained in document [A/77/890](#).
2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 35th meeting, on 30 June 2023. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record.<sup>1</sup>
3. For its further consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:
  - (a) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 ([A/77/603](#));
  - (b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 ([A/77/769](#));
  - (c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/77/767/Add.10](#)).

#### II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.5/77/L.45](#)

4. At its 35th meeting, on 30 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei"

<sup>1</sup> [A/C.5/77/SR.35](#).



([A/C.5/77/L.45](#)), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Norway.

5. At the same meeting, the representative of Uganda (on behalf of the African States) orally proposed an amendment to draft resolution [A/C.5/77/L.45](#), by which a new operative paragraph would be inserted, reading:

*Recalls* paragraph 49 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to make greater efforts to reduce the environmental footprint of the Force in the field, especially in the context of the ongoing construction and replacement of the accommodation of contingents and the management of waste generated as a result, and also considering the delay in the implementation of environmental programmes, by promoting the use of environmentally friendly material and applying homegrown environmental solutions and waste disposal options that improve the health, safety and security of local communities;

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the proposed amendment to [A/C.5/77/L.45](#) without a vote.

7. Also at the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.5/77/L.45](#) without a vote (see para. 8).

### III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

8. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

#### **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>1</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>2</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 2660 (2022) of 14 November 2022, by which the Council extended until 15 November 2023 the mandate of the Force as set out in paragraph 2 of resolution 1990 (2011) and the mandate modification set forth in resolution 2024 (2011) of 14 December 2011 and paragraph 1 of resolution 2075 (2012) of 16 November 2012,

*Recalling also* its resolution 66/241 A of 24 December 2011 on the financing of the Force and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 77/290 of 31 May 2023,

*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, 66/264 of 21 June 2012, 69/307 of 25 June 2015, 70/286 of 17 June 2016 and 76/274 of 29 June 2022, 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 2023, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 106.9 million United States dollars, representing some 3.2 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 98 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 that 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

<sup>1</sup> A/77/603 and A/77/769.

<sup>2</sup> A/77/767/Add.10.

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, subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Decides* to apply a vacancy rate of 100 per cent for formed police units;

10. *Recalls* paragraph 49 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to make greater efforts to reduce the environmental footprint of the Force in the field, especially in the context of the ongoing construction and replacement of the accommodation of contingents and the management of waste generated as a result, and also considering the delay in the implementation of environmental programmes, by promoting the use of environmentally friendly material and applying homegrown environmental solutions and waste disposal options that improve the health, safety and security of local communities;

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](#), [66/264](#), [69/307](#), [70/286](#) and [76/274](#);

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;

#### **Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022**

13. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022;<sup>3</sup>

14. *Decides* to appropriate to the special account for the United Nations Organization Interim Security Force for Abyei the amount of 66,364,700 dollars for the maintenance of the Force, previously authorized by the Advisory Committee for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 under the terms of section VI of its resolution [64/269](#), in addition to the amount of 260,445,300 dollars previously approved for the same period under the terms of its resolution [75/297](#) of 30 June 2021;

#### **Financing of the additional appropriation for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022**

15. *Decides*, taking into account the amount of 260,445,300 dollars previously apportioned under the terms of its resolution [75/297](#) for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022, to apportion among Member States the additional amount of 66,364,700 dollars for the maintenance of the Force for the same period, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolutions [73/272](#) of 22 December 2018 and [76/239](#) of 24 December 2021, taking into account the scale of assessments for

<sup>3</sup> [A/77/603](#).

2021, as set out in its resolution [73/271](#) of 22 December 2018, and for 2022, as set out in its resolution [76/238](#) of 24 December 2021;

16. *Also decides* that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, the amount of 4,095,600 dollars, representing other revenue in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022;

17. *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 15 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 346,600 dollars, representing the increase in the estimated staff assessment income for the Force in respect to the financial period ended 30 June 2022;

#### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024**

18. *Decides* to appropriate to the special account for the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei the amount of 315, 939,000 dollars for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of 287,220,900 dollars for the maintenance of the Force, 22,160,200 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations, 3,802,000 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and 2,755,900 dollars for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda;

#### **Financing of the appropriation for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024**

19. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 118,477,200 dollars for the period from 1 July to 15 November 2023, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution [76/239](#), taking into account the scale of assessments for 2023, as set out in its resolution [76/238](#);

20. *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 19 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,378,000 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,471,300 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 651,000 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account, the prorated share of 140,100 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base and the prorated share of 115,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Regional Service Centre;

21. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 197,461,800 dollars for the period from 16 November 2023 to 30 June 2024, at a monthly rate of 26,328,240 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution [76/239](#), taking into account the scale of assessments for 2023 and 2024, as set out in its resolution [76/238](#), subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Force;

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 3,963,500 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 2,452,200 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 1,085,100 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account, the prorated share of 233,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base and the prorated share of 192,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Regional Service Centre;

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 seventy-eighth session the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei”.

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