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Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Disengagement Observer Force

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 16 September 2022, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-seventh session the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Disengagement Observer Force” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 29th and 33rd meetings, on 1 and 24 May 2023. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee’s consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records.¹

3. For its 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 Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 ([A/77/594](#));

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 ([A/77/725](#));

(c) Note by the Secretary-General on financing arrangements for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 ([A/77/754](#));

(d) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/77/767/Add.2](#)).

¹ [A/C.5/77/SR.29](#) and [A/C.5/77/SR.33](#).



II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.5/77/L.35](#)

4. At its 33rd meeting, on 24 May, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled “Financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force” ([A/C.5/77/L.35](#)), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Singapore.

5. Before the Committee took a decision on the draft resolution, a representative of the Secretariat informed the Committee that, with regard to paragraph 1 of the draft resolution ([A/C.5/77/L.35](#)), in which the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions were endorsed ([A/77/767/Add.2](#)), the Secretariat’s understanding was that only paragraphs 11 and 36 of the report of the Advisory Committee pertaining to the financing arrangements for the period 2022/2023 would be endorsed by adopting the resolution.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.5/77/L.35](#) without a vote (see para. 7).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

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

Financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force

The General Assembly,

Having considered the note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

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 [2671 \(2022\)](#) of 22 December 2022, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force until 30 June 2023,

Recalling also its resolution [3211 B \(XXIX\)](#) of 29 November 1974 on the financing of the Force and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution [76/289](#) of 29 June 2022,

1. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

Financing arrangements for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023

2. *Decides* to appropriate to the special account for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force the amount of 1,033,900 United States dollars for the maintenance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, in addition to the amount of 64,544,500 dollars previously appropriated for the same period under the terms of its resolution [76/289](#);

Financing of the appropriation

3. *Decides*, taking into account the amount of 64,544,500 dollars already apportioned under the terms of its resolution [76/289](#) for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, to apportion among Member States the additional amount of 1,033,900 dollars for the maintenance of the Force for the same period, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution [76/239](#) of 24 December 2021, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2022 and 2023, as set out in its resolution [76/238](#) of 24 December 2021;

4. *Also decides* to keep under review, during its seventy-seventh 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”.

¹ [A/77/754](#).

² Relevant parts of [A/77/767/Add.2](#).