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Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo

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 Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 29th and 35th meetings, on 1 May and 30 June 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 Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 (A/77/589);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 (A/77/723);

(c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/77/767/Add.4);

(d) Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the contribution of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo to the rule of law (A/77/734).

¹ A/C.5/77/SR.29 and A/C.5/77/SR.35.





II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/77/L.48

4. At its 35th meeting, on 30 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo" (A/C.5/77/L.48), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Kenya.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/77/L.48 without a vote (see para. 6).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

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

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 Kosovo¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

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 76/287 of 29 June 2022,

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, 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 Administration Mission in Kosovo as at 30 April 2023, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 37.2 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 111 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 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

¹ A/77/589 and A/77/723.

² A/77/767/Add.4.

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, 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, 66/264, 69/307, 70/286 and 76/274;

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 2021 to 30 June 2022

11. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022;³

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

12. Decides to appropriate to the special account for the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo the amount of 44,342,400 dollars for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, inclusive of 40,666,500 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 3,137,600 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 538,300 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

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

13. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 44,342,400 dollars for the period from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 76/239 of 24 December 2021, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2023 and 2024, as set out in its resolution 76/238 of 24 December 2021;

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 4,453,300 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 4,154,600 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 245,800 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 52,900 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

15. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as

³ A/77/589.

provided for in paragraph 13 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other revenue in the amount of 745,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 76/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2022, as set out in its resolution 76/238;

16. 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 revenue in the amount of 745,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 15 above;

17. Also decides that the increase of 45,500 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 shall be added to the credits in the amount of 745,700 dollars referred to in paragraphs 15 and 16 above;

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 seventy-eighth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo".