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\*\* In keeping with paragraph 10 of General Assembly resolution [77/267](#), the part consisting of the programme plan and programme performance information (part II) is submitted through the Committee for Programme and Coordination for the consideration of the Assembly.



## Overview

- 33.1 The present section covers the resources to fund capital investment requirements for the construction, alteration, periodic maintenance and improvement of, and upgrades to, facilities, buildings and general infrastructure across the global United Nations Secretariat, including for safety and security as well as for information and communications technology (ICT). To ensure a coherent and systematic approach to capital expenditure requirements across the Organization, such resources are requested under the present section. Section 33 does not include requirements related to posts or staffing costs in connection with the administration and management of the activities proposed in the present section; those costs are included under the respective sections of the proposed programme budget for 2024 for United Nations Headquarters, the United Nations Office at Geneva, the United Nations Office at Vienna, the United Nations Office at Nairobi, the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO) and the Office of the United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process (UNSCO).
- 33.2 The resources proposed are in line with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards and encompass requirements for projects that result in an increase of the value of the asset and/or extend its useful life, including: (a) projects of a capital-intensive and of a structural nature that would substantially improve facilities or infrastructure; and (b) projects to repair or replace existing installations (e.g., heating, ventilation and air conditioning) along with the underlying infrastructure, hardware and related systems required for their operation (e.g., electrical and information technology networks, security systems). The proposed projects comprise both one-time projects and new and continuing multi-year projects. In addition, pursuant to the decision of the General Assembly in its resolution [77/263](#) A and previous resolutions, the proposals under the present section include a provision for the annual repayments to the host country (Switzerland) for the loans related to the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva until the General Assembly decides otherwise.
- 33.3 In accordance with General Assembly resolution [77/263](#) A and previous resolutions, the Global Asset Management Policy Service (in the Field Operations Finance Division of the Office of Programme Planning, Finance and Budget in the Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance) is responsible for the provision of guidance, support and technical advice to offices away from Headquarters and the regional commissions with regard to the planning, management and monitoring of capital investment projects related to facilities.
- 33.4 At Headquarters, the projects proposed to be funded under section 33 fall under the responsibility of the Department of Operational Support in respect of facilities, the Department of Safety and Security in respect of safety and security, and the Office of Information and Communications Technology in respect of enterprise networks. The administrative services in Geneva, Vienna and Nairobi and at the regional commissions are responsible for the implementation of the projects at their respective duty stations.
- 33.5 With regard to safety and security, projects to enhance capabilities for the protection of United Nations staff and premises globally are evaluated by, and subsequently implemented in close coordination with, the Department of Safety and Security to ensure standardization, such as the ongoing implementation of the multi-year standardized access control project across the Secretariat.
- 33.6 With regard to information and telecommunications technology, the Office of Information and Communications Technology provides central leadership in the establishment and implementation of Organization-wide ICT strategy and standards and ensures the efficient use of resources in the modernization of information systems and the improvement of information and communications services. The Office directs and oversees the operation and upgrade of the global infrastructure at Headquarters, offices away from Headquarters and the regional commissions. In addition, the Office operates and maintains the infrastructure and equipment for conferencing services at Headquarters. Upgrades are implemented through annual projects to upgrade the enterprise networks. Such projects

also serve to standardize the related infrastructure and equipment to ensure comparable standards of functionality, quality and reliability of the related services across the Organization, including in respect of telecommunications.

- 33.7 Pursuant to the submission of its report on capital investment planning ([A/77/519](#)), the Secretariat is currently working on a revised comprehensive plan for major capital investments that will be required across the Organization in the years beyond 2024, to be submitted to the General Assembly at the main part of its seventy-eighth session. The report will include information on the Organization's phased plans, with medium- and long-term perspectives on capital investments needs. The related resource proposals will subsequently be made in the context of future relevant budget submissions, taking into account any guidance that will be received from the Assembly. The resources proposed for 2024 under this section, as detailed below, are required for the continuation of existing multi-year projects and for urgent new projects to be implemented in 2024, and, accordingly, are not in the longer-term scope of the capital investment planning report.
- 33.8 In line with the request from the General Assembly, in its resolution [75/252](#), to include indicative estimates for the major construction projects in the proposed programme budget under section 33 for information purposes only, a table with the requested information related to those capital projects is provided in the annex. Such estimates may be revised in the progress reports for each project to reflect the evolving situations. As the estimates are provided for information purposes only, the resources for those projects, including for the corresponding project management teams under the respective budget sections other than section 33, are not proposed as part of the resources submitted herewith for section 33; in continuation of past practice, these resources will be requested in the context of the forthcoming annual progress reports of the Secretary-General to be submitted at the main part of the seventy-eighth session of the Assembly.

## Proposed resource requirements for 2024

### Overview of resources

- 33.9 The overall resources proposed for 2024 amount to \$29,985,800 before recosting, reflecting a net decrease of \$55,485,200 (or 64.9 per cent) compared with the appropriation for 2023. Resource changes result from two factors, as explained in paragraphs 33.10 and 33.11 below, namely: (a) technical adjustments (a decrease of \$55,758,000); and (b) other changes (an increase of \$272,800). The distribution of the proposed resources is reflected in table 33.1.

Table 33.1

#### Evolution of financial resources by category of projects and location

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Changes							2024 estimate (before recosting)
	2022 expenditure	2023 appropriation	Technical adjustments	New/ expanded mandates	Other	Total	Percentage	
A. Alteration, upgrades and major maintenance programmes								
Headquarters	2 445.0	2 259.6	—	—	(530.6)	(530.6)	(23.5)	1 729.0
UNOG <sup>a</sup>	5 000.5	4 015.2	—	—	(1 216.7)	(1 216.7)	(30.3)	2 798.5
UNON	1 222.9	1 383.3	—	—	(683.3)	(683.3)	(49.4)	700.0
UNOV	1 647.7	1 337.7	—	—	—	—	—	1 337.7
ECA	1 391.0	1 412.7	—	—	269.9	269.9	19.1	1 682.6
ECLAC	1 270.0	886.8	—	—	(381.5)	(381.5)	(43.0)	505.3
ESCAP	1 006.6	1 096.0	—	—	149.4	149.4	13.6	1 245.4
ESCWA	1 224.1	1 294.4	—	—	410.6	410.6	31.7	1 705.0

**Section 33 Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance**

	Changes							2024 estimate (before recosting)
	2022 expenditure	2023 appropriation	Technical adjustments	New/ expanded mandates	Other	Total	Percentage	
UNSCO	–	–	–	–	200.0	200.0	100.0	200.0
UNTSO	–	–	–	–	500.0	500.0	100.0	500.0
Subtotal	15 207.8	13 685.7	–	–	(1 282.2)	(1 282.2)	(9.4)	12 403.5
B. Information and communications technology								
Headquarters ICT network	2 980.0	2 734.7	–	–	(142.0)	(142.0)	(5.2)	2 592.7
Conferencing infrastructure and equipment			–	–	3 500.0	3 500.0	100	3 500.0
ICT (global network)	1 953.9	1 629.5	–	–	142.0	142.0	8.7	1 771.5
UNOG	–	292.8	–	–	(52.8)	(52.8)	(18.0)	240.0
UNON	–	45.4	–	–	459.6	459.6	1 012.3	505.0
UNOV	–	120.1	–	–	24.9	24.9	20.7	145.0
ECLAC	–	165.1	–	–	518.3	518.3	313.9	683.4
ESCWA	–	371.0	–	–	(109.0)	(109.0)	(29.4)	262.0
Subtotal	4 933.9	5 358.6	–	–	4 341.0	4 341.0	81.0	9 699.6
C. Standardized access control project and other related security system upgrades								
Headquarters	785.9	2 464.4	–	–	226.6	226.6	9.2	2 691.0
DSS (global integration)	–	922.2	–	–	298.8	298.8	32.4	1 221.0
UNOG	618.7	982.1	–	–	37.9	37.9	3.9	1 020.0
UNON	389.0	1 871.6	–	–	(624.1)	(624.1)	(33.3)	1 247.5
UNOV	677.4	898.8	–	–	(875.6)	(875.6)	(97.4)	23.2
ECA	458.1	1 133.8	–	–	911.2	911.2	80.4	2 045.0
ECLAC	67.8	490.3	–	–	(115.3)	(115.3)	(23.5)	375.0
ESCAP	248.6	949.8	–	–	(689.8)	(689.8)	(72.6)	260.0
ESCWA	234.5	955.7	–	–	(955.7)	(955.7)	(100.0)	–
Subtotal	3 480.0	10 668.7	–	–	(1 786.0)	(1 786.0)	(16.7)	8 882.7
D. Major construction projects <sup>b</sup>								
Strategic heritage plan of UNOG <sup>a</sup>	66 971.8	26 347.9	(26 347.9)	–	–	(26 347.9)	(100.0)	–
Replacement of office blocks A to J at UNON	10 069.3	11 748.1	(11 748.1)	–	–	(11 748.1)	(100.0)	–
Renovation of the conference services facilities at UNON	914.6	3 889.3	(3 889.3)	–	–	(3 889.3)	(100.0)	–
Seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project at ESCAP	6 024.3	10 345.9	(10 345.9)	–	–	(10 345.9)	(100.0)	–
Renovation of the North Building at ECLAC	5 158.8	615.6	(615.6)	–	–	(615.6)	(100.0)	–
Renovation of Africa Hall at ECA	–	2 811.2	(2 811.2)	–	–	(2 811.2)	(100.0)	–
Subtotal	89 138.8	55 758.0	(55 758.0)	–	–	(55 758.0)	(100.0)	–
Total	112 760.5	85 471.0	(55 758.0)	–	1 272.8	(54 485.2)	(63.7)	30 985.8

*Abbreviations:* DSS, Department of Safety and Security; UNOG, United Nations Office at Geneva; UNON, United Nations Office at Nairobi; UNOV, United Nations Office at Vienna.

<sup>a</sup> Includes an amount of \$2,698,500 for the annual repayment in 2024 of the loan related to the strategic heritage plan.

<sup>b</sup> Indicative estimates for 2024 for the major construction projects are provided in the annex for information purposes only.

**Technical adjustments**

- 33.10 Resource changes reflecting a decrease of \$55,758,000 are due to the removal of non-recurrent requirements relating to the projects approved for 2023 by the General Assembly in its resolution [77/263](#) A, namely: (a) the strategic heritage plan of the United Nations Office at Geneva (\$26,347,900); (b) the replacement of office blocks A to J at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (\$11,748,100); (c) the renovation of the conference service facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (\$3,889,300); (d) the seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project at ESCAP premises, in Bangkok (\$10,345,900); and (e) the renovation of the North Building at ECLAC, in Santiago (\$615,600). The resources for those projects for 2024 will be requested in the forthcoming related progress reports of the Secretary-General, which will be submitted for consideration during the main part of the seventy-eighth session of the Assembly.

**Other changes**

- 33.11 Resource changes reflect an increase of \$1,272,800, as follows: an increase under information and communications technology (\$4,341,000), offset in part by a decrease under: (a) the alteration, upgrades and major maintenance programmes (\$1,282,200); and (b) the standardized access control project and other related security system upgrades (\$1,786,000).
- 33.12 The resources under section 33 undergo reprogramming, including redistribution for each budget period, because they cover a portfolio of activities of which only a portion is a recurrent requirement, the remainder being either one-time or multi-year projects. Each proposed programme budget for a new budget period reflects the completion of non-recurrent activities and the introduction of newly programmed, non-recurrent investment requirements.
- 33.13 With regard to alteration, upgrades and major maintenance programmes related to facilities, resources reflect a net decrease amounting to \$1,982,200 for Headquarters in New York, the offices away from Headquarters and the regional commissions, offset in part by an increase of \$500,000 for capital investment requirements in UNTSO, which was previously budgeted under section 5, Peacekeeping operations, of the programme budget, as well as new requirements in the amount of \$200,000 for the office of UNSCO in Gaza City, as further detailed in paragraphs 33.41 and 33.43.
- 33.14 With regard to information and communications technology, resource changes reflect an increase of \$4,341,000, resulting mainly from: (a) additional resources proposed to start with a phased, multi-year upgrade of the aged conferencing infrastructure and equipment at Headquarters (\$3,500,000); (b) the replacement of virtual servers, network systems and the acquisition of additional Wi-Fi access points at the United Nations Office at Nairobi (\$459,600); and (c) the upgrade of ICT infrastructure and digital architecture at ECLAC (\$518,300), offset in part by decreased requirements both at the United Nations Office at Geneva (\$52,800) and at ESCWA (\$109,000).
- 33.15 With regard to capital requirements for safety and security, resource changes reflect a decrease of \$1,786,000, given the progress of implementation of the standardized access control project during the period 2022–2023 across the various offices of the Secretariat.

**Nature of proposed activities**

- 33.16 Table 33.2 breaks down the resource requirements into: (a) one-time projects; and (b) new and continuing multi-year phased projects. The breakdown by subcategory allows the aggregate portfolio of activities proposed under section 33 to be viewed in terms of nature and duration by location.

Table 33.2

**Nature of projects proposed for 2024 by location (before recosting)**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Headquarters</i>	<i>Global Enterprise networks (managed by OICT)</i>	<i>Global Security (managed by DSS)</i>	<i>Subtotal Headquarters including global implementation projects</i>	<i>UNOG</i>	<i>UNON</i>	<i>UNOV</i>	<i>ECA</i>	<i>ECLAC</i>	<i>ESCAP</i>	<i>ESCWA</i>	<i>UNSCO</i>	<i>UNTSO</i>	<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>Total</i>
<b>A. One-time projects (new)</b>	950.0	–	–	950.0		100.0	–	–	469.4	260.0	–	200.0	–	1 029.4	1 979.4
<b>B. New and continuing multi- year projects</b>	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Continuation of multi- year projects	6 062.7	1 771.5	1 221.0	9 055.2	4 058.5	1 005.0	1 505.9	1 218.6	974.3	1 245.4	1 702.0	–	–	11 709.7	20 764.9
New multi-year projects	3 500.0	–	–	3 500.0	–	1 347.5	–	2 509.0	120.0	–	265.0	–	500.0	4 741.5	8 241.5
<b>Subtotal, B</b>	<b>9 562.7</b>	<b>1 771.5</b>	<b>1 221.0</b>	<b>12 555.2</b>	<b>4 058.5</b>	<b>2 352.5</b>	<b>1 505.9</b>	<b>3 727.6</b>	<b>1 094.3</b>	<b>1 245.4</b>	<b>1 967.0</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>500.0</b>	<b>16 451.2</b>	<b>29 006.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 512.7</b>	<b>1 771.5</b>	<b>1 221.0</b>	<b>13 505.2</b>	<b>4 058.5</b>	<b>2 452.5</b>	<b>1 505.9</b>	<b>3 727.6</b>	<b>1 563.7</b>	<b>1 505.4</b>	<b>1 967.0</b>	<b>200.0</b>	<b>500.0</b>	<b>17 480.6</b>	<b>30 985.8</b>

*Abbreviations:* DSS, Department of Safety and Security; OICT, Office of Information and Communications Technology; UNOG, United Nations Office at Geneva; UNON, United Nations Office at Nairobi; UNOV, United Nations Office at Vienna.

## A. Resource requirements by duty station

### 1. Headquarters (including global implementation projects)

*Resource requirements (before recosting): \$13,505,200*

- 33.17 As summarized in table 33.3, the total provision of \$13,505,200 would provide for: (a) one-time projects (\$950,000); and (b) new and continuing multi-year projects (\$12,555,200).
- 33.18 The provision of \$950,000 is required to fund the initial construction of a parking area for bicycles within the Headquarters campus.
- 33.19 The provision of \$12,555,200 is required to fund the continuation of multi-year projects at Headquarters, including: (a) the replacement of the river water piping network and upgrade of the river water intake (\$779,000); (b) the replacement of the security booth located at the delegates' entrance (\$1,980,000); (c) the upgrades of video surveillance systems and x-ray machines (\$711,000); (d) the global upgrade and standardization of the access control systems and related hardware and infrastructure requirements (\$1,221,000); (e) the recurring upgrade and maintenance requirements for the enterprise network infrastructure in the United Nations Headquarters technology rooms supporting the Secretariat, General Assembly and conference buildings (\$2,140,500); (f) the maintenance and renewal of the Check Point firewall software at Headquarters, which is critically needed to safeguard the Organization's global information and communications technology network of the entire Secretariat from ICT attacks – specifically, these resources would fund the required licensing to keep the Organization's firewalls updated (\$452,200); (g) the consolidated maintenance contract for network and telephone equipment at Headquarters, offices away from Headquarters and the regional commissions, to guarantee the same level of service across duty stations, noting the increased volume and value of the equipment and systems covered by this global contract (\$1,771,500); and (h) a provision of \$3,500,000 to begin the phased upgrade of the underlying infrastructure, hardware and equipment for conferencing services at Headquarters.

Table 33.3

#### **Resource requirements by nature of project, Headquarters (including global projects)**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>A. One-time projects (new)</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	950.0
<b>B. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. Continuation of multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	779.0
Improvement of ICT infrastructure (Headquarters)	2 592.7
Improvement of ICT infrastructure (global)	1 771.5
Major maintenance of facilities and general infrastructure	2 691.0
Improvement of safety and security infrastructure (global)	1 221.0
<b>Subtotal, B.1</b>	<b>10 005.2</b>
<b>2. New multi-year projects</b>	
Conferencing hardware infrastructure and equipment (Headquarters)	3 500.0
<b>Subtotal, B.2</b>	<b>3 500.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 505.2</b>

## 2. United Nations Office at Geneva

### *Resource requirements (before recosting): \$4,058,500*

- 33.20 The total provision of \$4,058,500 for the United Nations Office at Geneva is required to fund the continuation of multi-year projects being implemented, as detailed below.
- 33.21 The provision would finance the continuation of: (a) the emergency response lockdown infrastructure project (\$900,000); (b) window protection across the campus, with new shatter-resistance film (\$120,000); (c) the integrated system for ICT vulnerability and threat management (\$180,000); (d) the implementation of various disability inclusion features across the ICT portfolio of systems and applications in Geneva (\$60,000); and (e) the collection and disposal of hazardous materials (\$100,000). The provision also includes an amount of \$2,698,500 (2,502,000 Swiss francs) for the annual repayments to the host country of the loan related to the strategic heritage plan, in line with General Assembly resolutions [77/263](#) A and previous resolutions.
- 33.22 The projects for 2024 have been assessed in close consultation with the team at the United Nations Office at Geneva managing the strategic heritage plan project to ensure that the works would not need to be redone in the future and that only essential needs and urgent repairs, in particular at the Palais des Nations, are considered while the overall renovation project is under way. The resource requirements are summarized in table 33.4.

Table 33.4

### **Resource requirements by nature of project, United Nations Office at Geneva**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>A. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. Continuation of multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of ICT infrastructure	240.0
Safety and security improvements	1 020.0
Repayment of the loan for the strategic heritage plan	2 798.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>4 058.5</b>

## 3. United Nations Office at Vienna

### *Resource requirements (before recosting): \$1,505,900*

- 33.23 The total provision of \$1,505,900 would continue to cover both the share of the United Nations Office at Vienna to finance the maintenance and repairs of the Vienna International Centre, which is managed by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization on a cost-shared basis through an agreement among the organizations based at the Centre and the host Government (with regard to major maintenance projects), as well as the share in respect of the safety and security installations at the Centre, together with the associated ICT hardware infrastructure components. The requested amount is calculated on the basis of the current share of the Office, which is 23.2 per cent in respect of alteration and improvement requirements and 11.6 per cent in respect of major maintenance requirements. This share is based on a composite of the space, staff and workload of the four organizations in determining the respective share of costs.
- 33.24 For 2024, the contribution of the United Nations Office at Vienna to the Common Buildings Management Fund for the periodic repairs, upgrades and maintenance at the Vienna International Centre amounts to \$1,337,700. In addition, a provision of \$23,200 will cover the upgrade and acquisition of various hardware components for access security at the Office. A provision of \$145,000 is also included to cover the requirements to fund the Check Point firewall software against security attacks. The resource requirements are summarized in table 33.5.



Table 33.5

**Resource requirements by nature of project, United Nations Office at Vienna**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>A. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. Continuation of multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	1 337.7
Improvement of ICT infrastructure	145.0
Safety and security improvements	23.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 505.9</b>

**4. United Nations Office at Nairobi*****Resource requirements (before recosting): \$2,452,500***

- 33.25 The total provision of \$2,452,500 would fund: (a) one-time projects (\$100,000); and (b) new and continuing multi-year projects (\$2,352,500).
- 33.26 The provision of \$100,000 would cover the one-time refitting of the radio room and communication equipment within the premises of the United Nations Office at Nairobi.
- 33.27 The provision of \$2,352,500 would provide for: (a) the adjustment of the United Nations complex perimeter required as a result of the widening of the adjacent United Nations Avenue (\$400,000); (b) the upgrade of virtual servers and of the network, and the acquisition of additional Wi-Fi access points (\$435,000); and (c) the enhancement of security systems infrastructure, including the provision of closed-circuit television cameras, and of explosive bomb detection, the extension of an anti-climb fence, the enhancement of vehicular traffic control and the replacement of existing doors controllers (\$512,500). In addition, the provision would cover for the continuation of: (a) various accessibility upgrades (\$300,000); (b) the implementation of active shooter mitigation measures through high-security ballistic doors, the replacement of window protection shatter resistance film and the acquisition of dual-view x-ray machines (\$635,000); and (c) the annual renewal of the Check Point firewall software for ICT security (\$70,000). The resource requirements are summarized in table 33.6.

Table 33.6

**Resource requirements by nature of project, United Nations Office at Nairobi**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>A. One-time projects (new)</b>	
Safety and security improvements	100.0
<b>Subtotal, A</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>B. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. Continuation of multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	300.0
Safety and security improvements	635.0
Improvement of ICT infrastructure	70.0
<b>Subtotal, B.1</b>	<b>1 005.0</b>

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>2. New multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of ICT infrastructure	435.0
Major maintenance of facilities and general infrastructure	400.0
Safety and security improvements	512.5
<b>Subtotal, B.2</b>	<b>1 347.5</b>
<b>Total, B</b>	<b>2 452.5</b>

## 5. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

### *Resource requirements (before recosting): \$1,505,400*

- 33.28 The total provision of \$1,505,400 would provide for: (a) one-time projects (\$70,000); and (b) the continuation of multi-year projects (\$1,435,400).
- 33.29 The provision of \$70,000 would finance the required upgrade of the Commission's fire safety capacity for emergency response, to comply with updated host country codes.
- 33.30 The provision of \$1,435,400 would finance the continuation of the following investment upgrades: (a) the enhancement of the security entrance and screening at the perimeter of the ESCAP compound (\$549,400); (b) the removal of asbestos across ESCAP premises (\$146,000); (c) continuation of the multi-year renovation upgrade to the ESCAP Conference Centre, in particular conference room 1, including facilities, underlying ICT systems and equipment (\$550,000); and (d) the upgrade of access control systems at ESCAP block A (\$190,000). The resource requirements are summarized in table 33.7.

Table 33.7

### **Resource requirements by nature of project, ESCAP**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>A. One-time projects (new)</b>	
Safety and security improvements	70.0
<b>Subtotal, A</b>	<b>70.0</b>
<b>B. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. Continuation of multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	1 099.4
Major maintenance of facilities and general infrastructure	146.0
Safety and security improvements	190.0
<b>Subtotal, B.1</b>	<b>1 435.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 505.4</b>

## 6. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

### *Resource requirements (before recosting): \$1,563,700*

- 33.31 The total provision of \$1,563,700 would provide for: (a) one-time projects (\$469,400); and (b) for new and continuing multi-year projects (\$1,094,300).

- 33.32 The provision of \$469,400 would finance the necessary upgrade of the Commission's digital architecture and infrastructure, to enhance performance, sustainability and resilience, including to support the expansion of and access to the Commission's digital repository of its intellectual acumen since 1948 through enhanced hosting services.
- 33.33 The provision of \$1,094,300 would cover: (a) upgrades to the software support agreement and server renewal for the access control and closed-circuit television systems (\$120,000); (b) ongoing projects to improve water management and water sustainability (\$370,600); (c) the ongoing improvement of accessibility for persons with disabilities (\$134,700); (c) the annual requirement for the Check Point firewall software for ICT security (\$214,000); (d) the continuation of the upgrades to physical security and safety, hardware and related equipment (\$190,000); and (e) the continuation of the improvements to access control facilities in the South Pavilion (\$65,000). The resource requirements are summarized in table 33.8.

Table 33.8

**Resource requirements by nature of project, ECLAC**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>A. One-time projects (new)</b>	
Improvement of ICT infrastructure	469.4
<b>Subtotal, A</b>	<b>469.4</b>
<b>B. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. Continuation of multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	505.3
Improvement of ICT infrastructure	214.0
Safety and security improvements	255.0
<b>Subtotal, B.1</b>	<b>974.3</b>
<b>2. New multi-year projects</b>	
Safety and security improvements	120.0
<b>Subtotal, B.2</b>	<b>120.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 563.7</b>

**7. Economic Commission for Africa*****Resource requirements (before recosting): \$3,727,600***

- 33.34 The provision of \$3,727,600 would provide for new and continuing multi-year upgrade projects, as follows.
- 33.35 The provision of \$1,218,600 would finance the continuation of the multi-year reconstruction of the old Yaoundé building, constructed in 1934, which houses the Commission's regional office in West Africa.
- 33.36 The provision of \$2,509,000 would finance the following new multi-year upgrade projects: (a) the design stage to upgrade the security control access points for vehicles, pedestrian and deliveries (\$260,000); (b) the engagement of a specialized architectural and engineering firm to help ECA produce a technical assessment and outcome report to structure a proposal for the holistic renovation of the aged Addis Ababa campus (\$464,000); and (c) the initial phase to strengthen the 1.6 km perimeter wall and gates of the ECA campus (\$1,785,000). The resource requirements are summarized in table 33.9.

Table 33.9

**Resource requirements by nature of project, ECA**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>B. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. Continuation of multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	1 218.6
<b>Subtotal, B.1</b>	<b>1 218.6</b>
<b>2 New multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	464.0
Safety and security improvements	2 045.0
<b>Subtotal, B.2</b>	<b>2 509.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 727.6</b>

**8. Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia*****Resource requirements (before recosting): \$1,967,000***

- 33.37 The total provision of \$1,967,000 would provide for: (a) for the continuation of multi-year projects (\$1,702,000); and (b) new multi-year projects (\$265,000).
- 33.38 The provision of \$1,702,000 would provide for: (a) improvements to conference rooms for persons with disabilities as a continuation of the accessibility enhancement project (\$500,000); (b) the upgrade of ICT infrastructure for business continuity (\$40,000); (c) the ongoing replacement of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning system (\$465,000); (d) the revamping of the parking area, including access control systems (\$475,000); and (e) the upgrade of existing physical security systems hardware, and its support and maintenance (\$222,000);
- 33.39 The provision of \$265,000 would provide for the revamping of two floors of the main building.
- 33.40 The resource requirements are summarized in table 33.10.

Table 33.10

**Resource requirements by nature of project, ESCWA**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>B. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. Continuation of multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	1 440.0
Improvement of ICT infrastructure	262.0
<b>Subtotal, B.1</b>	<b>1 702.0</b>
<b>2. New multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	265.0
<b>Subtotal, B.2</b>	<b>265.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 967.0</b>

## 9. United Nations Truce Supervision Organization

### *Resource requirements (before recosting): \$500,000*

- 33.41 The total provision of \$500,000 would finance new multi-year repair and upgrade projects across the aged compound located in Jerusalem, including: (a) the periodic maintenance and repairs across the complex, previously budgeted under section 5, Peacekeeping operations, of the programme budget (\$300,000); and (b) to engage a specialized architectural engineering survey to assess the structural conditions of the compound, including in respect of seismic risks, in order to help UNTSO complete a proposal to undertake a holistic modernization and renovation upgrade of the 75-year-old compound (\$200,000).
- 33.42 The resource requirement is summarized in table 33.11.

Table 33.11

### **Resource requirements by nature of project, UNTSO**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>A. New and continuing multi-year projects</b>	
<b>1. New multi-year projects</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	500.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>500.0</b>

## 10. United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process

### *Resource requirements (before recosting): \$200,000*

- 33.43 The provision of \$200,000 would finance the completion of the renovation and upgrades of the new office of UNSCO in Gaza. Following a blast and risk assessment completed by the Department of Safety and Security in the fourth quarter of 2022, it was recommended that UNSCO urgently move out of its current location. Early in 2023, UNSCO identified a villa compound in Gaza City where it could relocate, and signed a five-year lease. During 2023, UNSCO will renovate the compound, including by establishing security and safety reinforcement measures for minimum operation security standards compliance, in addition to structural upgrades of the villa and the required network and equipment installations. UNSCO intends to move into the new location by the end of 2023. In 2024, the new premises will require additional investments in furniture and office equipment, including to finish the parking area and access and perimeter reinforcements.
- 33.44 The resource requirement is summarized in table 33.12.

Table 33.12

### **Resource requirements by nature of project, UNSCO**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>A. One-time projects (new)</b>	
Improvement of facilities and general infrastructure	200.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>200.0</b>

## **B. Major construction projects**

- 33.45 As indicated in paragraph 33.8 above, in accordance with General Assembly resolution [75/252](#), the indicative estimates for the major construction projects (the strategic heritage plan at the United Nations Office at Geneva, the replacement of office blocks A to J at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, the renovation of Africa Hall at ECA, the seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project at ESCAP, the renovation of the North Building at ECLAC and the project to address the deteriorating conditions and limited capacity of the conference services facilities at the United Nations Office at Nairobi) are provided in the annex to the present fascicle for information purposes only.

## Annex

**Indicative estimates for the major construction projects in 2024**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>Description</i>	<i>2023 appropriation</i>	<i>2024 estimate (before recosting)<sup>a</sup></i>
<b>Section 33</b>		
<b>Major construction projects<sup>b</sup></b>		
Strategic heritage plan at UNOG	26 347.9	55 000.0
Replacement of office blocks A to J at UNON	11 748.1	12 240.0
Seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project at ESCAP	10 345.9	—
Renovation of the North Building at ECLAC	615.6	4 812.2
Renovation of Africa Hall at ECA	2 811.2	12 706.3
Renovation of conference services facilities at UNON	3 889.3	4 683.5
<b>Subtotal, section 33</b>	<b>55 758.0</b>	<b>89 442.0</b>
<b>Sections 18, 19, 21, 29G and 34<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>7 760.6</b>	<b>6 171.9</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>63 518.6</b>	<b>95 613.9</b>

*Abbreviations:* ESCAP, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific; ECA, Economic Commission for Africa; ECLAC, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean; UNOG, United Nations Office at Geneva; UNON, United Nations Office at Nairobi.

<sup>a</sup> Indicative estimates for the major construction projects are provided for information purposes only.

<sup>b</sup> Staff cost related to the major construction projects are not included under section 33.

<sup>c</sup> Amount proposed outside the proposed programme budget for 2024.