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Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 20 September 2013, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.
2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 22nd, 25th and 26th meetings, on 10, 18 and 27 December 2013. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee’s consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records ([A/C.5/68/SR.22](#), 25 and 26).
3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:
 - (a) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2014-2015 ([A/68/491](#));
 - (b) Second performance report of the Secretary-General on the budget of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2012-2013 ([A/68/594](#));
 - (c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/68/642](#));
 - (d) Report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation ([A/68/660](#));
 - (e) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/68/7/Add.24](#)).



II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.5/68/L.16](#)

4. At its 26th meeting, on 27 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled “Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals” ([A/C.5/68/L.16](#)), submitted by the Chair of the Committee.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.5/68/L.16](#) without a vote (see para. 7).

6. After the adoption of the draft resolutions under agenda item 144, entitled “Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994”, agenda item 145, entitled “Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991” and agenda item 146, entitled “Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals”, a statement was made by the representative of the Russian Federation ([A/C.5/68/SR.26](#)).

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 International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals

The General Assembly,

I

Second performance report on the budget of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2012-2013

Having considered the second performance report of the Secretary-General on the budget of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2012-2013¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

Recalling its resolutions 66/240 A of 24 December 2011 and 66/240 B of 21 June 2012, as well as its resolutions 67/244 A of 24 December 2012 and 67/244 B of 12 April 2013,

1. *Takes note* of the second performance report of the Secretary-General on the budget of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2012-2013;¹

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in section IV.A of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;²

3. *Resolves* that, for the biennium 2012-2013, the amount of 53,676,500 United States dollars gross (51,085,600 dollars net) approved in its resolution 67/244 A for the financing of the International Residual Mechanism shall be adjusted by the amount of 34,677,800 dollars gross (33,006,900 dollars net), for a total amount of 18,998,700 dollars gross (18,078,700 dollars net);

II

Budget for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2014-2015

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the budget for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2014-2015³ and on the revised estimates arising from changes in rates of exchange and inflation,⁴

Having also considered the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁵

¹ A/68/594.

² A/68/642.

³ A/68/491.

⁴ A/68/660.

⁵ A/68/642 and A/68/7/Add.24.

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General on the budget for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals for the biennium 2014-2015³ and on the revised estimates arising from the effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation;⁴

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁵ subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Decides* that the recosting will be calculated in accordance with the formula agreed upon in its resolution concerning the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015;⁶

4. *Recalls* paragraph 50 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions⁷ and in this regard requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the International Residual Mechanism adheres to the revised travel policy pursuant to its resolution 67/254 of 12 April 2013, and to reflect any cost savings resulting from the revised travel policy in the context of the second performance report;

5. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals a total amount of 120,296,600 dollars gross (112,831,500 dollars net) for the biennium 2014-2015, as detailed in the annex to the present resolution;

6. *Also decides* that the total assessment for 2014 under the Special Account amounting to 61,648,300 dollars gross shall consist of:

(a) 60,148,300 dollars, being half of the estimated appropriation approved for the biennium 2014-2015;

(b) 1,500,000 dollars, being the increase reflecting the deferred assessment decided by the Assembly in its resolution 67/244;

7. *Further decides*, for the year 2014, to apportion the amount of 30,824,150 dollars gross (28,957,875 dollars net) among Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to the regular budget of the United Nations for 2014;

8. *Decides* to apportion the amount of 30,824,150 dollars gross (28,957,875 dollars net) among Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to peacekeeping operations of the United Nations for 2014;

9. *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 paragraphs 7 and 8 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income in the amount of 3,732,550 dollars approved for the International Residual Mechanism for 2014.

⁶ Resolution 68/246 of 27 December 2013.

⁷ A/68/642.

Annex

Financing for the biennium 2014-2015 of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals

	<i>Gross</i>	<i>Net</i>
	<i>(United States dollars)</i>	
Estimated appropriation for the biennium 2014-2015	120 282 100	112 863 000
Revised estimates: effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation	14 500	(31 500)
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions	—	—
Recommendations of the Fifth Committee	—	—
Estimated initial appropriation for the biennium 2014-2015	120 296 600	112 831 500
Total assessment for 2014		
Requirements representing half of the estimated appropriation for the biennium 2014-2015	60 148 300	56 415 750
Decrease in the final appropriation for the biennium 2012-2013	(34 677 800)	(33 006 900)
Transfer of credit in accordance with paragraph 3 (c) (i) of resolution 68/245 on the second performance report for the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013	34 677 800	33 006 900
Increase reflecting the deferred assessment of \$1.5 million as decided by the Assembly in resolution 67/244	1 500 000	1 500 000
Net contributions assessed on Member States for 2014	61 648 300	57 915 750
<i>Of which:</i>		
Contributions assessed on Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to the regular budget of the United Nations for 2014	30 824 150	28 957 875
Contributions assessed on Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to peacekeeping operations of the United Nations for 2014	30 824 150	28 957 875