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## **Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali**

### **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 United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 24th and 26th meetings, on 16 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.24](#) 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 United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 ([A/68/538](#));

(b) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/68/653](#)).

#### **II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.5/68/L.13](#)**

4. At its 26th meeting, on 27 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled “Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali” ([A/C.5/68/L.13](#)), submitted by the Chair of the



Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Sri Lanka.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.5/68/L.13](#) 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 Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali**

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali<sup>1</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>2</sup>

*Recalling* Security Council resolution [2100 \(2013\)](#) of 25 April 2013, by which the Council established the Mission, requested the Secretary-General to subsume the United Nations Office in Mali into the Mission, with the Mission assuming responsibility for the discharge of the mandated tasks of the Office, as from 25 April 2013, and decided that authority be transferred from the African-led International Support Mission in Mali to the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali on 1 July 2013, at which point the latter would commence implementation of its mandate as defined in paragraphs 16 and 17 of resolution [2100 \(2013\)](#), for an initial period of 12 months,

*Recalling also* its resolution [67/286](#) of 28 June 2013,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly 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,

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 General Assembly 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 and [66/264](#) of 21 June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali as at 30 November 2013, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 127.7 million United States dollars, representing some 32 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 64 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;

<sup>1</sup> A/68/538.

<sup>2</sup> A/68/653.

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which 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 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,<sup>2</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Takes note* of paragraph 29 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure that future budget proposals, derived from the standardized funding model, lead to the allocation of adequate resources to the Mission for effective delivery of mandated activities, taking into account lessons learned from the application of the model and to report thereon;

10. *Also takes note* of paragraphs 45, 47, 50, 55, 57, 64, 66, 68 and 91 of the report of the Advisory Committee;

11. *Recalls* paragraph 4 of section XVIII of its resolution [61/276](#), in which it indicated that the purpose of quick-impact projects is to establish and build confidence in individual missions, their mandates and the peace process, thereby improving the environment for effective mandate implementation, and requests the Secretary-General to reflect this in future results-based budgeting frameworks for the Mission;

12. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts of the Secretary-General to enhance inter-mission cooperation, and in this regard calls for continued cooperation between the Mission and the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire;

13. *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](#) and [66/264](#);

14. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

### **Expenditure report for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013**

15. *Takes note* of the expenditure report for the Mission for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013;<sup>3</sup>

16. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali the amount of 81,976,400 United States dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013;

### **Financing of the appropriation for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013**

17. *Also decides*, taking into account the amount of 75,321,180 dollars already apportioned under the terms of its resolution [67/286](#) for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013, to apportion among Member States the additional amount of 6,655,220 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the same period, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution [67/239](#) of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013, as set out in its resolution [67/238](#) of 24 December 2012;

18. *Further decides* that there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 17 above, the amount of 400 dollars, representing other income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2013;

19. *Decides* to reduce by 728,000 dollars the amount of the estimated staff assessment income set off against the apportionment among Member States for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 25 April to 30 June 2013 under the terms of its resolution [67/286](#), from the total amount of 769,300 dollars to 41,300 dollars, and to add the reduction of 728,000 dollars in the staff assessment income to the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 17 above;

### **Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

20. *Also decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali the amount of 602,000,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of the amount of 366,774,500 dollars previously authorized for the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2013 under the terms of its resolution [67/286](#);

21. *Further decides*, taking into account the support account requirements in the total amount of 6,118,300 dollars (net requirement of 5,660,700 dollars) for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 and the amount of 3,845,200 dollars (net requirement of 3,602,500 dollars) already approved under the terms of its resolution [67/286](#) for the same period for the support account for peacekeeping operations, to approve the additional support account requirements in the amount of 2,273,100 dollars (net requirement of 2,058,200 dollars) for the same period;

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<sup>3</sup> A/68/538, sect. IV.

**Financing of the appropriation**

22. *Decides*, taking into account the amount of 330,097,050 dollars already apportioned under the terms of its resolution [67/286](#) for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2013, to apportion among Member States the additional amount of 271,902,950 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution [67/239](#), taking into account the scale of assessments for 2014, as set out in its resolution [67/238](#);

23. *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 22 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,410,200 dollars, representing the balance of the estimated staff assessment income of 6,071,700 dollars approved for the Mission;

24. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

25. *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;

26. *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;

27. *Decides* to keep under review during its sixty-eighth session the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali”.

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