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Financing of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2018, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-third session the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 35th and 41st meetings, on 8 May and 3 July 2019. 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 Mission for Justice Support in Haiti for the period from 16 October 2017 to 30 June 2018 ([A/73/641](#));

(b) Note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2019 ([A/73/748](#));

(c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/73/755/Add.6](#)).

II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.5/73/L.46](#)

4. At its 41st meeting, on 3 July, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled “Financing of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti”

¹ [A/C.5/73/SR.35](#) and [A/C.5/73/SR.41](#).



([A/C.5/73/L.46](#)), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Mali.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.5/73/L.46](#) 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 Mission for Justice Support in Haiti

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

Recalling Security Council resolution [2350 \(2017\)](#) of 13 April 2017, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti, as a follow-on peacekeeping mission in Haiti, for an initial period of six months from 16 October 2017 until 15 April 2018, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was [2466 \(2019\)](#) of 12 April 2019, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission for a final period of six months, until 15 October 2019,

Recalling also its resolution [72/260 A](#) of 24 December 2017 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolution [72/260 B](#) of 5 July 2018, as well as its decision [72/558](#) of 5 July 2018,

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,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti as at 30 April 2019, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 35.3 million United States dollars, representing some 0.4 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 110 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;

2. *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;

3. *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;

4. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

¹ [A/73/641](#) and [A/73/748](#).

² [A/73/755/Add.6](#).

5. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

7. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,² subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

8. *Reaffirms* paragraphs 11 and 12 of resolution [72/290](#);

9. *Notes* that the various programmatic activities, to be financed through assessed contributions, of peacekeeping missions must be directly linked to Security Council mandates and reflect the evolution of those mandates;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to include, in the performance report of the mission, detailed information on programmatic activities, including on how the implementation of those activities has contributed to implementing mission mandates;

11. *Emphasizes* the importance of overall budgetary performance in peacekeeping operations, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to implement the recommendations of the relevant oversight bodies and to report thereon in the context of the performance reports;

12. *Also emphasizes* the importance of the accountability system of the Secretariat, and requests the Secretary-General to continue to strengthen risk management and internal controls in the management of peacekeeping budgets and to report thereon in the context of his next report;

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant 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 and [70/286](#) of 17 June 2016, as well as other relevant resolutions;

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;

Budget performance report for the period from 16 October 2017 to 30 June 2018

15. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 16 October 2017 to 30 June 2018;³

Estimates for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2019

16. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the maintenance of the Mission in an amount not exceeding 49,450,100 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2019;

Financing of the commitment authority

17. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 49,450,100 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2019, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution [73/272](#) of 22 December 2018, and taking into account the

³ [A/73/641](#).

scale of assessments for 2019, as set out in its resolution [73/271](#) of 22 December 2018;

18. *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 17 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 1,701,400 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2019;

Estimates for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020

19. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti the amount of 3,300,000 dollars for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020, comprising 2,801,000 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 499,000 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

Financing of the appropriation

20. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 3,300,000 dollars for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution [73/272](#), and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2019 and 2020, as set out in its resolution [73/271](#);

21. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution [973 \(X\)](#), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 20 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 252,100 dollars, comprising the prorated share of 199,400 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 52,700 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

22. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 17 and 20 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other revenue in the total amount of 350,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2018, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution [70/246](#) of 23 December 2015, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2018, as set out in its resolution [70/245](#) of 23 December 2015;

23. *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 350,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2018, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 22 above;

24. *Also decides* that the increase of 344,000 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2018 shall be added to credits in the amount of 350,300 dollars referred to in paragraphs 22 and 23 above;

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 include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-fourth session the item entitled “Financing of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti”.
