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Proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 for the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

I. Introduction

1. The Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary questions considered an advance version of the report of the Secretary-General on the proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID) ([A/75/597](#)). During its consideration of the report, the Committee met online with representatives of the Secretary-General, who provided additional information and clarification, concluding with written responses received on 4 December 2020.

2. The Advisory Committee recalls that the Secretary-General submitted a note on the financing of the Operation ([A/74/810](#)) containing a request for authority to enter into commitments with assessment in the total amount of \$241,896,600 gross for the maintenance of the Operation for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2020. The comments and recommendations of the Committee were contained in its related report ([A/74/833](#)). The General Assembly, in its resolution [74/261 C](#), authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the Operation in an amount not exceeding \$240,182,900 for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2020. The amount of \$240,182,900 has been assessed on Member States.

II. Proposed budget for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021

A. Mandate and planning assumptions

3. The mandate of UNAMID was established by the Security Council in its resolution [1769 \(2007\)](#). The most recent extension of the mandate, until 31 December



2020, was authorized by the Council in its resolution [2525 \(2020\)](#). In the same resolution, the Council requested the Secretary-General and the Chairperson of the African Union Commission to provide to the Council a special report, which would include an assessment of the situation on the ground and recommendations on the appropriate course of action regarding the drawdown of UNAMID. The Council also expressed its intention to decide by 31 December 2020, taking into account the findings of the special report, courses of action regarding the responsible drawdown and exit of UNAMID. The Advisory Committee was informed that the special report was submitted to the Council on 13 November 2020 (see [S/2020/1115](#)).

4. Information on the planning assumptions of UNAMID for the 2020/21 period is contained in paragraphs 8 to 24 of the proposed budget ([A/75/597](#)). The Secretary-General indicates that, pending the decision by the Security Council on the special report and in accordance with resolution [2525 \(2020\)](#), the Operation will continue to implement its mandates.

5. With respect to the transition from UNAMID to the United Nations Integrated Transition Assistance Mission in the Sudan (UNITAMS), the Security Council, in its resolution [2525 \(2020\)](#), reiterated its request to the Secretary-General to continue transition planning and management in accordance with the established policies, directives and best practices in order to ensure that the eventual transition from UNAMID to UNITAMS was phased, sequenced and efficient. The Council further reiterated its requests that UNAMID and UNITAMS establish a coordination mechanism to determine the modalities and timelines for the transition of responsibilities where the two missions have common strategic objectives and priorities in Darfur and in order to ensure close coordination and cooperation, information and analysis sharing, to maximize synergies, leverage resources and prevent the duplication of efforts. The Secretary-General indicates that a coordination mechanism, mandated by the Council, is being established with the start-up team of UNITAMS ([A/75/597](#), para. 32). The Advisory Committee was informed, upon enquiry, that weekly online coordination meetings between UNAMID senior leadership and UNITAMS planning and start-up teams had been held since 9 July 2020. **The Advisory Committee notes the coordination and planning activities for the transition from UNAMID to UNITAMS and trusts that detailed information on transition planning and development on the ground will be provided in the context of the next report of the Secretary-General on UNAMID.**

6. The Advisory Committee recalls that the Secretary-General has submitted a budget proposal for 2021 for UNITAMS (a special political mission under thematic cluster III) ([A/75/6 \(Sect. 3\)/Add.7](#)). The comments and recommendations of the Committee on the proposed budget are contained in its related report ([A/75/7/Add.8](#)). Both reports are currently before the General Assembly.

7. In its resolution [2525 \(2020\)](#), the Security Council decided that UNAMID should maintain its current troop and police ceiling during the mandate extension until 31 December 2020 and that the Operation's strategic priority should be the protection of civilians, to be implemented including by supporting the capacity of the Government of the Sudan to protect civilians, and by preserving the requisite capacity, particularly in Jebel Marra. The Advisory Committee was informed that, should the Council terminate the mandate of UNAMID on 31 December 2020, the drawdown of the Operation would be carried out in a post-mandate phase, compared with mission drawdown conducted on a gradual basis, concurrently with a phased reduction in mandated activities in other peacekeeping operations.

8. Upon enquiry, the Advisory Committee was informed that the Operation's drawdown plan included a sequenced repatriation of troop-contributing and police-contributing countries, with a corresponding reduction in civilian staffing levels.

Preliminary drawdown plans had been developed, taking into consideration challenges that would affect activities and movement and the impact of the ongoing coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic on the operations and the timelines that would be set by the Security Council for the Operation's drawdown. It was indicated to the Committee that UNAMID was therefore ready and well positioned to implement its drawdown plan, upon a decision by the Council, taking into account any revisions required to align the drawdown plan to the timelines to be decided by the Council.

B. Information on performance for the current period

9. With respect to current and projected expenditures for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2020 (see para. 2 above), the Advisory Committee was informed that, as at 31 October 2020, expenditures amounted to \$190,447,800. Upon enquiry, the Committee was informed that, at the end of 31 December 2020, expenditures were projected at \$231,227,500 against the commitments in an amount not exceeding \$240,182,900 for the period, leaving a balance of \$8,955,400, or 3.7 per cent. The Committee also requested and received additional information on monthly expenditures, which amounted to \$88,968,200, \$61,338,000, \$24,148,900 and \$15,992,600 for the months of July, August, September and October 2020, respectively. Upon enquiry on the treatment of the anticipated balance of \$8,955,400, the Committee was informed that any variance between the apportionment and the expenditure would be reported to the General Assembly in the context of budget performance reports for UNAMID for the 2020/21 period. The Assembly will decide on the treatment of the unencumbered balance with respect to the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021. **The Advisory Committee notes the significant variance in the monthly expenditure levels for the first four months of the current financial period and trusts that an update on the expenditure, along with explanations for expenditure patterns, will be provided to the General Assembly at the time of its consideration of the present report. Furthermore, the Committee trusts that more clarification on the treatment of the anticipated balance as at 31 December 2020 will be provided to Assembly.**

10. The Advisory Committee was informed that, as at 11 November 2020, a total of \$16,631,957,000 had been assessed on Member States in respect of UNAMID since its inception. Payments received as at the same date amounted to \$16,466,045,000, leaving an outstanding balance of \$165,912,000. As at 9 November 2020, the cash available to UNAMID amounted to \$77,367,000, which is insufficient to cover the three-month operating reserve of \$78,894,000. **The Advisory Committee recalls that the General Assembly has repeatedly urged all Member States to fulfil their financial obligations as set out in the Charter of the United Nations on time, in full and without conditions.**

11. The Advisory Committee was informed that claims for the reimbursement of troop costs had been settled up to March 2020, leaving an outstanding balance of \$44,624,200 as at 30 September 2020. Contingent-owned equipment had been paid up to March 2020, leaving an outstanding balance of \$27,913,800 as at 30 September 2020. The Committee was further informed, upon enquiry, that the Operation had signed 22 memorandums of understanding with troop- and police-contributing countries. With regard to death and disability compensation, as at 11 November 2020, an amount of \$8,818,000 had been paid to settle 226 claims since the inception of the Operation, with 13 claims pending. The Committee was also informed, upon enquiry, that 10 claims were pending as at 20 November. **The Advisory Committee expects that the reimbursement of troop costs, contingent-owned equipment and all outstanding claims will be settled expeditiously.**

C. Resource requirements

Financial resources

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	Expenditure (2018/19)	Apportionment (2019/20)	Expenditure (2019/20)	Cost estimates (2020/21)	Expenditure (1 Jul– 31 Oct 2020)	Variance (2019/20 apportionment vs. 2020/21 cost estimates)	
						Amount	Percentage
Military and police personnel	343 272.5	226 194.8	227 552.8	209 067.8	99 541.2	(17 127.0)	(7.6)
Civilian personnel	216 654.0	161 913.4	165 344.3	171 693.7	53 777.9	9 780.3	6.0
Operational costs	155 051.1	126 397.4	116 395.5	93 280.1	37 128.7	(33 117.3)	(26.2)
Gross requirements	714 977.6	514 505.6	509 292.6	474 041.6	190 447.8	(40 464.0)	(7.9)

Note: Detailed information on the financial resources proposed and an analysis of variances are provided in sections II and III, respectively, of the proposed budget (A/75/597).

Proposed maintenance budget for 2020/21

12. It is indicated that the budget of \$474,041,600 is proposed for the maintenance of the Operation for the 12-month period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021, inclusive of the amount of \$240,182,900 previously authorized for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2020 under the terms of General Assembly resolution 74/261 C (A/75/597, para. 91 (a)). Upon enquiry, the Advisory Committee was informed that, notwithstanding the uncertainty surrounding the future of UNAMID, the Operation had presented a 12-month maintenance budget because it was not in a position to pre-empt a decision of the Security Council on the Operation's mandate beyond 31 December 2020. Furthermore, in accordance with established budgetary procedures, the Secretary-General would review the financial implications for the 2020/21 period arising from the final decision of the Council in December 2020 and revert to the Assembly, if necessary.

13. The proposed budget for the 2020/21 period, in an amount of \$474,041,600, represents a decrease of \$40,464,000, or 7.9 per cent, compared with the apportionment of \$514,505,600 for 2019/20. The Advisory Committee was informed that the proposed decrease for the 2020/21 period reflected mainly the reduction in procurement and other activities, given that UNAMID operations had declined in response to previous Security Council resolutions. The Committee notes that, taking into account the amount of \$240,182,900 previously authorized and assessed for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2020 under General Assembly resolution 74/261 C, the resource requirements requested for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2021 amount to \$233,858,700.

14. **The Advisory Committee is of the view that, pending a decision by 31 December 2020 of the Security Council on the mandate of UNAMID beyond 31 December 2020 (see para. 3 above), the proposed operational requirements for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2021 may or may not reflect the activities to be mandated and may therefore not be realistic for the period. Furthermore, the Committee notes that the proposed budget for UNAMID for 2020/21 contains requirements for activities already mandated for UNITAMS, given that the latter could become fully operational in 2021 (see para. 26 below).**

15. **Taking into account its observations above, the Advisory Committee recommends an authority to enter into commitments with assessment, to be granted by the General Assembly for the Operation for the six-month period from 1 January to 30 June 2021.** Upon enquiry, the Advisory Committee was

informed that, in case it recommended a second commitment authority for the next six months of the financial period, should it recommend the General Assembly to authorize the Secretary-General to utilize the balance of the commitment authority, the anticipated balance of the first commitment authority could be carried over to the next six months (see para. 9 above). It is expected that UNAMID activities would regain their pace during the second part of the 2020/21 period.

1. Military and police personnel

	<i>Authorized 2019/20^a</i>	<i>Proposed 2020/21</i>	<i>Variance</i>
Military observers	49	49	–
Military contingents	4 001	4 001	–
United Nations police	760	760	–
Formed police units	1 740	1 740	–

^a Represents the highest level of authorized strength.

16. The proposed resources for military and police personnel for 2020/21 amount to \$209,067,800, reflecting a decrease of \$17,127,000, or 7.6 per cent, compared with the apportionment for 2019/20. The main contributing factors for the variances are provided in paragraphs 74 to 77 of the proposed budget.

17. The Advisory Committee was informed, upon enquiry, that, following the twenty-eighth Tripartite Coordination Mechanism meeting, held on 25 October 2020, UNAMID, in consultation with Headquarters, suspended rotations of military contingents and formed police units. The Operation also revised its drawdown plan to ensure compliance with COVID-19 protocols and to achieve efficiencies and a timely withdrawal, from the closure of the team sites prior to the rainy season of August and September 2021. The Committee was informed that the drawdown schedule was based on a thorough assessment of several key factors, including the Operation's logistical capabilities, requirements for obtaining the necessary export permits and past rotations of military contingents and formed police units.

2. Civilian personnel

	<i>Approved 2019/20</i>	<i>Proposed 2020/201</i>	<i>Variance</i>
Posts			
International staff	530	527	(3)
National staff ^a	878	872	(6)
Temporary positions ^a	97	97	–
United Nations Volunteers	68	68	–
Government-provided personnel	6	6	–
Total	1 579	1 570	(9)

^a Includes National Professional Officers and national General Service staff.

18. The proposed resources for civilian personnel for 2020/21 amount to \$171,693,700, reflecting an increase of \$9,780,300, or 6 per cent, compared with the apportionment for 2019/20, attributable mainly to the higher post adjustment of 61.6 per cent in 2020/21, compared with 46.4 per cent in 2019/20.

19. It is indicated that UNAMID will continue to maintain its current authorized civilian personnel level, except for a decrease of nine posts in the Procurement

Section, compared with the approved staffing level for the 2019/20 period ([A/75/597](#), paras. 19 and 57). The proposed abolishment includes the following nine posts: three international posts (1 Procurement Officer (P-3) and 2 Procurement Assistant (Field Service)) and six national posts (5 Procurement Assistant (national General Service staff) and 1 Administrative Assistant (national General Service staff)).

Capacity-building for national staff

20. Information on the UNAMID national staff capacity-building programme is provided in section V.B of the proposed budget. Upon enquiry, the Advisory Committee was informed that the national staff capacity-building programme, in a total amount of \$100,000 under training, was a core strategy for UNAMID to develop the skills and competencies required to enable national staff to become more competitive in job markets. National staff acquired vocational skills through the programme conducted in collaboration with local institutions in Darfur and Khartoum. UNAMID also collaborated with Sudanese microfinance investment institutions by holding fairs that could assist the national staff in setting up their own private businesses. In addition, the Operation continued to organize workshops, complemented by one-on-one mentoring and coaching sessions.

21. The Advisory Committee notes the efforts undertaken by UNAMID to assist national staff in developing skills and finding employment opportunities in the event of the drawdown and exit of the Operation. The Committee trusts that UNAMID will continue its capacity-building activities for the national staff and provide an update in the next report of the Secretary-General on the Operation.

3. Operational costs

(United States dollars)

	<i>Apportioned 2019/20</i>	<i>Proposed 2020/21</i>	<i>Variance</i>
Operational costs	126 397 400	93 280 100	(33 117 300)

22. The proposed decrease of \$33,117,300, or 26.2 per cent, for 2020/21 for operational costs reflects lower requirements under all budget classes, except medical (an increase of \$562,800, or 70.1 per cent) (see [A/75/597](#), sect. II.A). The main contributing factors for the variances are provided in paragraphs 83 to 90 of the proposed budget.

23. The Advisory Committee notes that, irrespective of the proposed overall decreases under the operational costs for 2020/21, some of the proposed provisions are higher than actual expenditures recorded for the 2019/20 and current periods or, in other cases, reflect a higher volume of requirements or a higher number of participants proposed without sufficient justifications. **The Advisory Committee is therefore not fully convinced of the proposed level of resources for some items of expenditure under the operational costs detailed below.**

Official travel

24. For non-training-related travel, a provision of \$1,818,000 is proposed for 2020/21, compared with the expenditures of \$1,432,000 for the 2019/20 period and \$312,000 for the first four months of the current period. For training-related travel, a provision of \$216,100 is proposed for 2020/21, compared with the expenditures of \$199,000 for the 2019/20 period and \$8,200 for the first four months of the current period. The contributing factors provided to the Advisory Committee included higher requirements following the potential removal of some of the travel restrictions imposed under the COVID-19 pandemic, additional provisions in relation to the

anticipated drawdown of the Operation and a provision made to cover additional payments to staff members to reimburse their expenses related to possible placement under obligatory quarantine to a medical facility, identified by the local authorities, to contain the spread of COVID-19, in the amount of up to \$1,500 per trip outside the mission area per person, in line with UNAMID policies.

Petrol, oil and lubricants

25. While the unit cost of diesel fuel is projected to decrease from \$0.73 per litre in 2019/20 to \$0.56 per litre for 2020/21, the total quantity for generator fuel is projected to increase from 13,964,649 litres approved for 2019/20 to 16,638,000 litres proposed for 2020/21 under facilities and infrastructure, representing an increase of 2,673,351 litres, or 19 per cent. It was indicated to the Advisory Committee that the increased requirements were attributable mainly to the higher consumption of generator fuel owing to a higher number of mission personnel staying indoors in response to the COVID-19 movement restrictions, given that the Operation had imposed a self-quarantine of UNAMID personnel returning to the mission area.

Training

26. The number of participants proposed for training activities for 2020/21 is higher than the number planned for 2019/20 for all categories of personnel. With respect to international and national staff, 170 and 504 participants are proposed, respectively, for 2020/21, compared with 125 and 189 planned for 2019/20. For external training for military and police personnel, 30 participants are proposed for 2020/21, compared with 9 planned for 2019/20. The proposed provision for training consists of \$216,100 for training-related travel and \$264,500 for training fees, supplies and services (A/75/597, paras. 63–64).

Programmatic activities

27. The Secretary-General indicates that the Security Council, in its resolution [2429 \(2018\)](#), endorsed a two-pronged approach for peacekeeping in the greater Jebel Marra area and peacebuilding in the rest of Darfur. The State liaisons functions, established and functional as from 1 January 2019, continue to be the primary mechanism for the implementation of the peacebuilding concept in the four Darfur states (North, South, East and West Darfur) under the programmatic lead of the United Nations country team and in close cooperation with national actors, with UNAMID financial and human resources support (A/75/597, paras. 68–72).

28. Upon enquiry, the Advisory Committee was informed that, while the core programmatic activities were managed and implemented directly by the Operation through local implementing partners, UNAMID and the United Nations country team collaborated through the State liaison function to facilitate peacebuilding programmatic activities as the Operation prepared to exit Darfur. The Committee was provided with a breakdown of resource requirements for programmatic activities for 2020/21 and the status of expenditures thereon as at 31 October 2020 (see table below). The Committee notes from the table that, compared with the provisions approved, the significant underexpenditure and overexpenditure incurred may indicate inaccurate budgeting.

African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur programmatic activities for the 2020/21 period

(United States dollars)

<i>Substantive section</i>	<i>Results-based budgeting component</i>	<i>Apportionment (Jul–Dec 2020)</i>	<i>Proposed budget (Jan–Jun 2021)</i>	<i>Total proposed budget for the 2020/21 period</i>	<i>Expenditure (1 Jul–31 Oct 2020)</i>
A. Core programmatic activities					
Gender Advisory Unit	Support to peace process and protection of civilians	112 000	113 100	225 100	–
Political and Mediation Support Section	Support to peace process	609 234	–	609 234	200 000
Protection of Civilians Coordination/ Humanitarian Liaison Section	Protection of civilians	–	140 000	140 000	–
Human Rights Section	Protection of civilians	55 000	90 000	145 000	4 636
Rule of Law, Judicial System and Prison Advisory Section	Protection of civilians	80 100	–	80 100	11 868
Police Division	Protection of civilians	61 900	329 141	391 041	–
Governance and Community Stabilization Section	Protection of civilians and support for addressing intercommunal conflicts	550 000	1 375 000	1 925 000	137 593
Subtotal		1 468 234	2 047 241	3 515 475	354 097
B. Programmatic activities related to State liaison functions					
Protection of Civilians Coordination	State liaison functions	448 894	713 409	1 162 303	681 589
Governance and Community Stabilization Section	State liaison functions	2 599 026	1 038 279	3 637 305	1 009 240
Rule of Law, Judicial System and Prison Advisory Section	State liaison functions	681 590	537 426	1 219 016	445 000
Human Rights Section	State liaison functions	507 080	500 000	1 007 080	1 568 000
Operational support costs	State liaison functions	500 000	948 895	1 448 895	24 655
Subtotal		4 736 590	3 738 009	8 474 599	3 728 484
Total		6 204 824	5 785 250	11 990 074	4 082 581

29. With regard to the implementation status of the programmatic activities, the Advisory Committee was informed, upon enquiry, that some of the community stabilization projects and infrastructure projects in the hotspot areas would not be completed before 31 December 2020, but rather April 2021. As a result of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and related mitigation measures put in place, most of the human rights activities may not be completed by 31 December 2020, and it was envisaged that those projects would be completed by April 2021, should the mandate of UNAMID be renewed beyond 31 December. The Committee was also informed that, while it was clear to UNAMID that it could not commence new activities in the absence of a mandate beyond 31 December, the Operation would need to ensure that all ongoing activities and projects were either completed or underwent a transition to relevant partners. The Committee was informed that, as part of the planning process, a workshop had been held early in November 2020 among UNAMID, UNITAMS and the country team involved in the State liaison functions. UNAMID and UNITAMS had follow-up discussions in support of the priority mandated activities that could be transferred to the latter.

III. Other matters

Asset disposal and team site handover

30. The Security Council requested UNAMID to ensure that team sites and assets be handed over in line with general United Nations practices and financial regulations, taking all practical steps and precautions to ensure that the assets were safely transferred to the control of the designated entity, and called upon UNAMID and the Government of the Sudan to finalize swiftly a revised framework agreement that ensured the principle of civilian end use and the security and physical integrity of the handed-over UNAMID team sites and assets that would not be used by UNITAMS and its integrated United Nations country team partners ([S/RES/2525 \(2020\)](#), para. 6).

31. Upon enquiry, the Advisory Committee received additional information on the looting incidents at two team sites, one prior to handover in May and one after handover in December 2019, as well as lessons learned. The Committee was informed that, on the basis of the lessons learned from the incidents, the Operation had developed a strategy for site handover that included a tailored and phased approach. **The Advisory Committee notes that a strategy has been developed for site handover and trusts that looting incidents will be prevented.**

32. **Furthermore, the Advisory Committee trusts that UNAMID will conduct its asset disposal process, taking into account lessons learned from closed peacekeeping operations and in compliance with the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations. The Committee expects that accurate records of the asset disposal will be maintained and that an update will be provided in the next report of the Secretary-General on the Operation (see also [A/74/589](#), paras. 23–24).**

33. On a related matter, the Advisory Committee discussed cost recovery, including for transferred assets, between UNAMID and UNITAMS in its report on the proposed budget for UNITAMS ([A/75/7/Add.8](#), para. 28). The Committee was informed, upon enquiry, that the transfer of property was regulated by financial rule 105.23 on sale/disposal of property during a mission's life cycle and by regulation 5.14 during the liquidation of a peacekeeping operation. Accordingly, the transfer of property between two Secretariat entities funded from assessed contributions is done by transferring the capitalized value, the accumulated depreciation and the net book value from the asset register of the releasing mission to that of the receiving mission, in line with International Public Sector Accounting Standards policy. Any costs of transportation, shipping or logistics involved to physically relocate the property from the releasing to the receiving mission are borne by the receiving mission. The Secretariat considers that a change in the above policy is therefore not required but is guided by the General Assembly. **The Advisory Committee reiterates its view that an option for a full cost-recovery arrangement for the transfer of assets between missions should be evaluated (see [A/75/7/Add.8](#), para. 28). The Committee therefore recommends that the General Assembly request the Secretary-General to present such an option, along with a comparison with the current practice, including detailed analysis and financial implications, in the next main report of the Secretary-General on the special political missions.**

Waste disposal and environmental clean-up

34. Upon enquiry, the Advisory Committee was informed that, to date, the environmental clean-up of 10 sites of the Operation had been completed and that UNAMID was scheduled to complete the clean-up of 4 more sites by 31 December 2020. It was expected that the final environmental clean-up activities, which would commence in January 2021, would be completed in mid-June 2021 following the

sequencing of the drawdown plan. The Committee was also provided with additional information on the ongoing waste disposal activities. Furthermore, the Committee was informed, upon enquiry, that the Operation had no new renewable energy initiatives under construction and that the results of completed projects, including solar-powered water pumps and streetlights, would be donated, along with the facilities on site, as part of the handover to the selected recipients (see para. 30 above).

35. **The Advisory Committee once again stresses the importance of compliance with the relevant rules and regulations, including, but not limited to, the United Nations environmental and waste management policy and procedures, as requested by the General Assembly in paragraph 31 of its resolution 70/286. Furthermore, the Committee reiterates its view that lessons learned from the closed peacekeeping operations with respect to environmental clearance activities should be applied by the Operation (see A/74/589, para. 20). The Committee recalls that the Assembly also requested the Secretary-General to enhance measures for the implementation of the multi-year environmental strategy in all peacekeeping missions (resolution 74/261 C, para. 17). The Committee trusts that an update on the measures undertaken will be included in the next report of the Secretary-General on UNAMID.**

IV. Conclusion

36. The actions to be taken by the General Assembly with respect to the financing of UNAMID for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 are indicated in section IV of the proposed budget. **Subject to its observations and recommendations above, the Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly, taking into account the amount of \$240,182,900 previously authorized for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2020 under the terms of Assembly resolutions 74/261 C, authorize the Secretary-General to enter into commitments in an amount not exceeding \$198,779,900 for the six-month period from 1 January to 30 June 2021 for the maintenance of the Operation, reflecting a reduction of 15 per cent (or \$35,078,800) to the amount of \$233,858,700 for the six-month period from 1 January to 30 June 2021.**
