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Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 8 September 2023, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventy-eighth session the item entitled “Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.
2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 35th and 40th meetings, on 6 May and 21 June 2024. 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 final disposition of the assets of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur ([A/78/702](#));
 - (b) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/78/803](#));
 - (c) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 ([A/77/638](#));
 - (d) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/77/780](#)).

¹ [A/C.5/78/SR.35](#) and [A/C.5/78/SR.40](#).



II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.5/78/L.41](#)

4. At its 40th meeting, on 21 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled “Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur” ([A/C.5/78/L.41](#)), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Saudi Arabia.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.5/78/L.41](#) 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 African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur¹ and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

Recalling Security Council resolution 1769 (2007) of 31 July 2007, by which the Council established the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur for an initial period of 12 months from 31 July 2007, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Operation, the latest of which was resolution 2559 (2020) of 22 December 2020, by which the Council decided to terminate the mandate of the Operation as of 31 December 2020,

Recalling also its resolution 62/232 A of 22 December 2007 on the financing of the Operation and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 76/244 B of 29 June 2022,

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 Operation 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 African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur as at 30 April 2024, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 106.5 million United States dollars, representing some 0.6 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 149 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 Operation 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. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

5. *Notes* that the in-field liquidation activities of the mission have been completed;

¹ A/77/638 and A/78/702.

² A/77/780 and A/78/803.

6. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General, on an exceptional basis, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee and subject to relevant rules and regulations, to enter into commitments in respect of expenditures related to the mandated operation and liquidation of the Operation that are identified after the closure of the Operation, and to use the Peacekeeping Reserve Fund for cash flow purposes if necessary, and to report thereon in the context of the final performance report;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit the final performance report during the seventy-ninth session of the General Assembly;

Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022

8. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Operation for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022;³

9. *Also takes note* of the amount of 54,105,800 dollars comprising the unencumbered balance of 13,974,200 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022 and other revenue in the amount of 40,131,600 dollars in respect of the same period, and decides to defer action thereon until it considers the final performance report of the Operation;

10. *Further takes note* of the amount of 2,900,800 dollars representing the decrease in estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2022, and decides to defer action thereon until it considers the final performance report of the Operation;

Final disposition of the assets of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur

11. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the final disposition of the assets of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur;⁴

12. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled “Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur”.

³ [A/77/638](#).

⁴ [A/78/702](#).