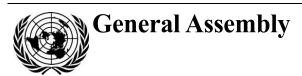
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Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan

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 United Nations Mission in South Sudan" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.
- 2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 36th and 40th meetings, on 7 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 Secretary-General on the budget performance of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 (A/78/629);
- (b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Mission in South Sudan for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 (A/78/754);
- (c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/78/744/Add.13);
- (d) Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the contribution of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan to strengthening the rule of law and accountability in South Sudan (A/78/742).

¹ A/C.5/78/SR.36 and A/C.5/78/SR.40.





II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/78/L.49

- 4. At its 40th meeting, on 21 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan" (A/C.5/78/L.49), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Bangladesh.
- 5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/78/L.49 without a vote (see para. 6).

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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 in South Sudan

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

Having also considered the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the contribution of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan to strengthening the rule of law and accountability in South Sudan,³

Recalling Security Council resolution 1996 (2011) of 8 July 2011, by which the Council established, as from 9 July 2011, the United Nations Mission in South Sudan, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 2729 (2024) of 29 April 2024, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 30 April 2025,

Recalling also its resolution 66/243 A of 24 December 2011 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 77/292 B of 30 June 2023,

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. 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 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, 70/286 of 17 June 2016 and 76/274 of 29 June 2022, as well as other relevant resolutions;
- 2. Takes note of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan as at 30 April 2024, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 332.7 million United States dollars, representing some 2.4 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 81 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;
- 3. 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;

¹ A/78/629 and A/78/754.

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² A/78/744/Add.13.

³ A/78/742.

- 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, subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;
- 9. *Decides* to allocate 1 million dollars for the deployment of the new military contingents and formed police units;
 - 10. Takes note of paragraph 41 of the report of the Advisory Committee;
- 11. *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, 66/264, 69/307, 70/286 and 76/274;
- 12. 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 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023

13. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023;⁴

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025

14. Decides to appropriate to the special account for the United Nations Mission in South Sudan the amount of 1,355,899,200 dollars for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025, inclusive of 1,237,887,300 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 89,953,100 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations, 15,701,200 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, and 12,357,600 dollars for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda;

Financing of the appropriation for the period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025

- 15. Decides to apportion among Member States the amount of 677,949,600 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2024, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 76/239 of 24 December 2021, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2024, as set out in its resolution 76/238 of 24 December 2021;
- 16. 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 15 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 21,053,500 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 15,940,600 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share

⁴ A/78/629.

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- of 3,666,200 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account, the prorated share of 715,900 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base and the prorated share of 730,800 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Regional Service Centre;
- 17. Further decides to apportion among Member States the amount of 451,966,400 dollars for the period from 1 January to 30 April 2025, in accordance with the scale of assessments for 2025 and the updated levels;⁵
- 18. 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 17 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 14,035,600 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 10,627,100 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 2,444,100 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account, the prorated share of 477,200 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base and the prorated share of 487,200 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Regional Service Centre;
- 19. Also decides to apportion among Member States the amount of 225,983,200 dollars for the period from 1 May to 30 June 2025, at a monthly rate of 112,991,600 dollars, in accordance with the scale of assessments for 2025 and the updated levels, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission:
- 20. Further 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 19 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 7,017,600 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 5,313,500 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 1,222,000 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account, the prorated share of 238,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base and the prorated share of 243,500 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the Regional Service Centre;
- 21. 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 paragraphs 15, 17 and 19 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other revenue in the amount of 23,487,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2023, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 76/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2023, as set out in its resolution 76/238;
- 22. Also 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 23,487,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2023, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 21 above;
- 23. Further decides that the increase of 2,327,800 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2023 shall be added to the credits in the amount of 23,487,900 dollars referred to in paragraphs 21 and 22 above:
- 24. Encourages the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under

⁵ To be adopted by the General Assembly.

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the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

- 25. *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;
- 26. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-ninth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan".

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