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## United Nations Children's Fund

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## Structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2022–2025

### *The Executive Board*

1. *Welcomes* the structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2022–2025 (E/ICEF/2024/30), and commends the substantial progress made on United Nations entity-specific commitments under the funding compact;
2. *Recalls* the importance of Member State commitments under the funding compact, and urges Member States to prioritize regular resources and multi-year pledges, given that reductions in regular resources jeopardize the ability of UNICEF to achieve the results of its Strategic Plan and to uphold its normative mandate;
3. *Notes* the significant decrease in thematic funding, which is also critical for UNICEF to be able to accelerate programming to meet the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly in those areas that are severely underfunded, and encourages Member States to also prioritize this flexible funding modality;
4. *Encourages* UNICEF to continue its engagement with Member States, through the annual structured dialogue on financing, on prioritizing contributions to regular resources, and on shifting from highly earmarked to more predictable and flexible funding;
5. *Welcomes* the new funding compact for United Nations support to the Sustainable Development Goals, and calls upon UNICEF and encourages Member States to fully implement their respective commitments, in line with relevant Economic and Social Council resolutions;
6. *Notes with appreciation* the efforts by UNICEF to receive contributions of regular resources from the private sector (businesses, civil society, foundations, individuals and philanthropists), and requests UNICEF to continue these efforts;
7. *Encourages* UNICEF to continue to engage with relevant stakeholders, including from the private sector, to diversify its potential sources of funding, and to strengthen partnerships with international financial institutions.

