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## United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

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Agenda item 11

### **Draft decision submitted to the Executive Board**

### **Update on implementation efforts on the repositioning of the United Nations development system**

#### *The Executive Board*

1. *Welcomes* the update provided by UNICEF on implementation efforts on the repositioning of the United Nations development system;
2. *Also welcomes* the progress of UNICEF in implementing the United Nations development system reform checklist, which is included as an annex to the update, and requests that remaining areas of uneven progress be addressed;
3. *Recalls* its decision 2024/11 and reaffirms its strong commitment to the United Nations development system reform;
4. *Requests* UNICEF to contribute to the United Nations country team configuration exercises and the implementation of their outcomes, to ensure that its presence at the country level is tailored to meet the specific challenges, priorities and needs of programme countries;
5. *Also requests* UNICEF to intensify its efforts to contribute to system-wide and inter-agency efficiencies, including through expanding the use of global shared services, common back offices and common premises, prioritizing the most cost-effective and resource-efficient efforts;
6. *Further requests* UNICEF to continue to pay in full its cost-sharing contributions in support of the resident coordinator system;
7. *Recalls* its decisions 2022/16, 2023/15 and 2024/11, and requests UNICEF to take further steps to ensure that its country programme documents are derived from the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Frameworks, including (a) sharing with the Executive Board the written confirmation from resident coordinators of alignment of the draft country programme documents and (b) informing the resident coordinators in a timely manner of new programmes and financial agreements signed to implement the country programme documents, in line with the Management and Accountability Framework;



8. *Requests* UNICEF to continue to work with other United Nations entities to increase joint programming with relevant targets and indicators in the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2026–2029, and at the country level, in line with its mandate and implementation of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

9. *Also requests* UNICEF to adhere to all elements of the Management and Accountability Framework and to constructively engage in the review of the Framework.

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