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[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/63/644)]

63/255. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates under the budget, for the biennium 2008–2009, of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991,¹ his first performance report on the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium,² and his report on the revised estimates arising in respect of Security Council resolution 1800 (2008) on the appointment of additional ad litem judges at the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia,³

Having also considered the report of the Board of Auditors on the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the recommendations contained therein,⁴

Having further considered the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁵

Stressing the need fully to respect and maintain the balance between the principal organs of the United Nations within their respective purviews and mandates in accordance with the Charter,

Reaffirming its authority in the consideration of all budgetary issues, as stipulated in the Charter,

¹ A/63/513.

² A/63/559.

³ A/62/809.

⁴ Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 5L (A/63/5/Add.12), chap.II.

⁵ See A/63/595; and A/62/7/Add.38 (for the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-second Session, Supplement No. 7A*).

Recalling its resolution 47/235 of 14 September 1993 on the financing of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 62/230 of 22 December 2007,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates under the budget, for the biennium 2008–2009, of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991,¹ his first performance report of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium,² and his report on the revised estimates arising in respect of Security Council resolution 1800 (2008) on the appointment of additional ad litem judges at the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia;³

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;⁵

3. *Reaffirms*, in the context of all Security Council decisions on the International Tribunals, the prerogatives of the General Assembly in the issues related to administrative and budgetary matters;

4. *Reiterates* that, in accordance with the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations,⁶ the submission of the budget proposals is a prerogative of the Secretary-General;

5. *Invites* the Secretary-General to provide all intergovernmental bodies with the required information regarding procedures for administrative and budgetary matters;

6. *Requests* the President of the General Assembly to bring to the attention of the President of the Security Council the contents of the present resolution;

7. Decides on a revised appropriation to the Special Account for the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 of a total amount of 376,232,900 United States dollars gross (342,332,300 dollars net) for the biennium 2008–2009, as detailed in the annex to the present resolution;

8. *Also decides*, for 2009, to apportion among Member States, in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to the regular budget of the United Nations for the year,⁷ the amount of 101,158,400 dollars gross (91,981,800 dollars net), including 14,333,000 dollars gross (12,930,100 dollars net), being the increase in assessments;

9. *Further decides*, for 2009, to apportion among Member States, in accordance with the rates of assessment applicable to peacekeeping operations for the year, the amount of 101,158,400 dollars gross (91,981,800 dollars net), including 14,333,000 dollars gross (12,930,100 dollars net), being the increase in assessments;

10. 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 paragraphs 8 and 9 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the amount of 18,353,200 dollars, including 2,805,800 dollars, being the increase in the estimated staff assessment income

⁶ ST/SGB/2003/7.

⁷ See resolution 61/237.

approved for the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia for the biennium 2008–2009.

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Annex

Financing for the biennium 2008–2009 of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

		Gross	Net
	-	(United States dollars)	
1.	Initial appropriation for the biennium 2008–2009 (resolution 62/230)	347 566 900	316 472 100
Ad	d:		
2.	Revised estimates for the biennium 2008–2009 after recosting (A/63/513 and A/63/595)	15 548 100	14 455 500
3.	First performance report for the biennium 2008–2009 (A/63/559)	13 117 900	11 404 700
4.	Estimated revised appropriation for the biennium 2008–2009	376 232 900	342 332 300
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5.	Estimated income for the biennium 2008–2009	(265 300)	(265 300)
6.	Assessment for 2008	173 650 800	158 103 400
7.	Balance to be assessed for 2009	202 316 800	183 963 600
Inc	luding:		
8.	Contributions assessed on Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to the regular budget of the United Nations for 2009	101 158 400	91 981 800
9.	Contributions assessed on Member States in accordance with the rates of assessment applicable to peacekeeping operations of the United Nations for 2009	101 158 400	91 981 800