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Addendum

Proposed strategic framework for the period 2012-2013

(Item 3 (a))

Programme 4

Peacekeeping operations

1. At its 6th meeting, on 9 June 2010, the Committee for Programme and Coordination considered programme 4, Peacekeeping operations, of the proposed strategic framework for the period 2012-2013 (A/65/6 (Prog. 4)).
2. The representative of the Secretary-General introduced the programme and responded to queries raised during the Committee's consideration of the programme.

Discussion

3. Overall support was expressed for the programme of work of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support. Support was also expressed for improvement in the safety and security of peacekeeping personnel.
4. Clarification was sought regarding the role of the international financial institutions in peacekeeping operations as referenced in paragraph 4.5 (A/65/6 (Prog. 4)).
5. A request was made for the Department of Peacekeeping Operations to forecast the trends of peacekeeping missions in terms of changes in missions owing to the fulfilment of mandates.
6. A concern was raised regarding the inconsistency and the need to harmonize the language within the objective of the Organization among all subprogrammes as



it relates to the reference to both the Security Council and the General Assembly mandates.

7. It was indicated that some of the expected accomplishments and indicators of achievements needed further refinement and that indicators of achievement should focus on the work of the Secretariat, rather than on the Member States.

8. Under subprogramme 1, clarification was sought regarding the difference between the terms “troop- and police-contributing countries”, and “other contributing countries”.

9. Under subprogramme 3, regret was expressed that, owing to the gray area between peacekeeping and peacebuilding, the Office of the Rule of Law and Security Institutions developed activities for peacekeeping and peacebuilding, as these are not sequential. In addition, concern was expressed that one of the core functions of the Office was “working to strengthen security and the rule of law in the context of peacekeeping and peacebuilding”. The view was expressed that the General Assembly had already established clear criteria for these types of activities.

10. Clarification was sought on subprogramme 3, paragraph 4.12, regarding “special emphasis to supporting African regional peacekeeping military needs”.

11. Under subprogramme 4, paragraph 4.16, clarification was sought on what is meant by the term “non-United Nations-partners”, who they are and what their roles are.

12. Clarification was sought on whether a decision was taken either by the General Assembly or the Security Council to implement the New Horizon agenda.

13. Support was expressed for the Department’s effort to train more personnel, in connection with the Department’s zero tolerance approach to misconduct.

Conclusions and recommendations

14. The Committee recommended that the General Assembly approve the programme narrative of programme 4, Peacekeeping operations, of the strategic framework for the period 2012-2013, subject to the following modifications:

Programme 4 Peacekeeping operations

Section A Peacekeeping operations

Subprogramme 1 Operations

Objective of the Organization

Add the word “and” after the word “plan”. Delete the words “and manage” after the word “establish” and add the words “, as well effectively implement relevant General Assembly resolutions” after the word “operations” at the end of the sentence.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat

Replace expected accomplishment (a) with “Provision of timely, informed advice and recommendations on issues related to peacekeeping to the Security Council, the General Assembly, other intergovernmental bodies and troop-contributing and other contributing countries”.

Strategy

In paragraph 4.9, replace the words “troop- and police-contributing” with the word “troop-contributing”.

In paragraph 4.10, line 4, delete the words “peace support activities” and replace with “peacekeeping, peacemaking and peacebuilding support activities”.

Subprogramme 2**Military***Objective of the Organization*

Add the words “and effectively implement relevant General Assembly resolutions” after the word “Mandates” at the end of the sentence.

Subprogramme 3**Rule of law and security institutions***Objective of the Organization*

After the word “services”, delete the words “in accordance with accepted international standards”, and replace with the words “in full compliance with the Charter of the United Nations”.

Subprogramme 4**Policy, evaluation and training***Strategy*

In paragraph 4.16, after the words “non-United Nations partners” add the words “, in accordance with the established procedures,”.

Subprogramme 5**Field administrative support***Objective of the Organization*

Replace the words “peacekeeping and related operations” with the words “peacekeeping operations and other United Nations field missions”.

Section B

Peacekeeping missions

United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan (UNMOGIP)

Indicators of achievement

Replace indicator of achievement (a) with the following: “Timely submission of incident/violation reports to United Nations Headquarters”.

Replace indicator of achievement (b) (ii) with the following: “Number of investigations of complaints undertaken”.
