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[on the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee) (A/67/425)]

67/123. Comprehensive review of special political missions

The General Assembly,

Guided by the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations,

Reaffirming its commitment to respecting the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of all States,

Reaffirming the respective roles and authority of the General Assembly and the Security Council in the maintenance of international peace and security in accordance with the Charter,

Convinced of the need for the United Nations to continue to improve its capabilities in the areas of conflict prevention and the maintenance of international peace and security,

Recalling the relevant reports on the review of arrangements for funding and backstopping special political missions,¹ which addressed the financial and administrative arrangements pertaining to such missions, recognizing that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters,

1. *Acknowledges* the increase in the number and the complexity of special political missions;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report on the overall policy matters pertaining to special political missions, including their evolution and trends, as well as their role in activities of the Organization relating to the maintenance of international peace and security, and to make recommendations to increase their overall transparency and effectiveness;

¹ A/66/340 and A/66/7/Add.21.



3. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to hold regular inclusive and interactive exchanges on the overall policy matters related to special political missions in order to promote closer collaboration with Member States;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-eighth session a new item entitled “Comprehensive review of special political missions”, to allocate the item to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) and to consider the above-mentioned report of the Secretary-General under that item.

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