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[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/67/677/Add.3)]

67/269. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

The General Assembly,

Recalling section IX of its resolution 66/247 of 24 December 2011, its resolution 66/248 A, also of 24 December 2011, section I of its resolution 66/263 of 21 June 2012, section I of its resolution 67/246 of 24 December 2012 and its resolution 67/247 A, also of 24 December 2012,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council concerning the Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sahel¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General;¹ 1.

2. Endorses the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,² subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. Recalls paragraphs 11 to 13 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to consider alternative locations for the Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sahel, while taking full advantage of the opportunities for realizing synergies with the other United Nations entities present in the region and avoiding all duplicative activity;

Takes note of paragraphs 16, 21 and 24 to 26 of the report of the 4 Advisory Committee;

¹ A/67/346/Add.8.

² A/67/604/Add.3.





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5. *Decides* to establish one Senior Political Affairs Officer position at the P-5 level, one Political Affairs Officer position at the P-4 level and one Reporting Officer position at the P-3 level in the Political Team in Rome;

6. *Also decides* to establish one Senior Political Affairs Officer position at the P-5 level and one Political Affairs Officer position at the P-4 level in the Department of Political Affairs of the Secretariat at Headquarters;

7. *Further decides* to approve a budget for consultancy services in the amount of 590,700 United States dollars;

8. *Decides* to approve the 2013 budget for the Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Sahel in the amount of 3,624,000 dollars net (3,808,000 dollars gross);

9. Also decides to appropriate, under the procedures provided for in paragraph 11 of annex I to its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986, an amount of 3,624,000 dollars under section 3, Political affairs, and an amount of 184,000 dollars under section 37, Staff assessment, to be offset by a corresponding amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment, of the programme budget for the biennium 2012–2013.

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