



Sixty-eighth session**Fifth Committee**

Agenda item 146

**Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for
Criminal Tribunals****Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chair of the Committee following
informal consultations****Construction of a new facility for the International Residual
Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch***The General Assembly,**Recalling* its resolutions [66/240 B](#) of 21 June 2012, [67/244 A](#) of 24 December 2012, [67/244 B](#) of 12 April 2013 and [68/257](#) of 27 December 2013,*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the construction of a new facility for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch,¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the construction of a new facility for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch;¹
2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;²
3. *Notes with appreciation* the continued efforts of the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania in facilitating the construction project;
4. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue his efforts to include local knowledge and capacity in the implementation of the project;
5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary measures to mitigate potential risks so as to ensure that the construction project is monitored closely and is completed within the approved timeline and resources;

¹ A/68/724.² A/68/777.

6. *Notes* the ongoing consultations with the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia with respect to the use of useable furniture and equipment for the Residual Mechanism, and in this regard encourages the Secretary-General to continue to explore the possibilities linked to the use of such furniture and equipment and to report thereon in the context of future progress reports;

7. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to apply flexible use of office space in the Arusha branch project, upon the approval by the General Assembly of flexible workspace arrangements in the Secretariat;

8. *Notes* that an environmental impact assessment will be carried out to assess the potential hazards and impact of the construction, and looks forward to receiving updates in this regard in the context of the next progress report;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to ensure that the procurement of goods and services for the construction project is carried out in strict compliance with the existing regulations, rules and relevant provisions of General Assembly resolutions governing procurement in the United Nations;

10. *Reaffirms* paragraph 33 of its resolution [62/269](#) of 20 June 2008;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to update Member States regularly, through the Office of Central Support Services of the Department of Management of the Secretariat, on the progress of the construction project;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly a progress report on the implementation of the project, outlining, inter alia, the project expenditures and total costs, at the first part of its resumed sixty-ninth session.
