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Thematic cluster III: Joint Mission of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and the United Nations for the Elimination of the Chemical Weapons Programme of the Syrian Arab Republic

Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report contains the proposed resource requirements for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2014 for the Joint Mission of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and the United Nations for the Elimination of the Chemical Weapons Programme of the Syrian Arab Republic, amounting to \$11,822,900 (net of staff assessment).





I. Joint Mission of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and the United Nations for the Elimination of the Chemical Weapons Programme of the Syrian Arab Republic

(\$11,822,900)

Background, mandate and objective

1. The Security Council, in its resolution 2118 (2013) of 27 September 2013, endorsed the decision of the Executive Council of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) of the same date (see resolution 2118 (2013), annex I), that the Syrian Arab Republic should complete the elimination of all chemical weapons material and equipment by 30 June 2014.

2. In the same resolution, the Council authorized an advance team of United Nations personnel to provide early assistance to OPCW activities in the Syrian Arab Republic and requested the Secretary-General to make recommendations regarding the role of the United Nations in eliminating the Syrian chemical weapons programme. Those recommendations were put forward by the Secretary-General in his letter to the President of the Security Council dated 7 October 2013 (S/2013/591). In his letter dated 11 October 2013 (S/2013/603), the President of the Security Council informed the Secretary-General about the authorization by the Council of the establishment of the OPCW-United Nations Joint Mission to eliminate the chemical weapons programme of the Syrian Arab Republic.

3. The mandate of the Joint Mission is expected to be completed by 30 June 2014. Three phases of activity for the Mission were identified, as follows:

(a) Phase I: Establishment of an initial presence and operating capability in Damascus, including the conduct of initial verification activities and planning for site visits and verification activities;

(b) Phase II: Completion of initial inspections of all Syrian chemical weapons production and storage facilities, and oversight of the destruction by the Syrian Arab Republic of all chemical weapons production, mixing and filling equipment;

(c) Phase III: Support, monitoring and verification of the destruction of the Syrian chemical weapons programme, including approximately 1,000 metric tons of chemical weapons, agents and precursors.

4. The Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons will serve as the lead technical agency responsible for verification of the destruction of the Syrian chemical weapons programme. The United Nations will provide support to overall coordination, including international assistance, and liaison with the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic and other national and regional actors, security arrangements, logistics, information assessments, communications and outreach, and administration. The United Nations will also engage, in its areas of responsibilities, with international and regional actors, as well as the Security Council and other stakeholders. This will include facilitating the support and assistance of Member States in the furtherance of the implementation of resolution 2118 (2013) and related resolutions of the Security Council.

Cooperation with other entities

5. Substantive support for the United Nations component of the Joint Mission will be drawn from the Office of the Chef de Cabinet, the Department of Political Affairs, the Department of Field Support, the Department of Safety and Security and the Office for Disarmament Affairs, as well as the World Health Organization and the United Nations Environment Programme. The Under-Secretaries-General of those departments will work in close consultation with the Executive Office of the Secretary-General in order to support and guide the Joint Mission.¹ On behalf of the aforementioned departments, the Executive Office of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support will provide administrative support for the Joint Mission.

6. In order to ensure effective coordination and consultation with key stakeholders, the Joint Mission will continue to liaise with both the OPCW headquarters in The Hague and United Nations Headquarters in New York. Such liaison enables the coordination of engagement with Member States and across relevant organizational bodies involved in the support and direction of the programme to eliminate Syrian chemical weapons.

Performance information for 2013

7. Phase I and a majority of phase II activities have been completed by the OPCW-United Nations. It has inspected 22 of the 23 sites declared by the Syrian Arab Republic and 39 of the 41 facilities located at those sites, and all mixing and filling equipment for production of chemical weapons has been made inoperable. The phase III implementation process commenced on 1 November 2013.

Planning assumptions for 2014

8. Accomplishments for the period from January to June 2014 are expected to include the full implementation of the Executive Committee's decision and the Security Council's resolution, resulting in the full elimination of the Syrian chemical weapons production capability and the removal of all chemical weapons agents and material from the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic. Performance of the United Nations component will focus on providing support for the completion of the tasks within these two lines of activity and initiation of the liquidation process.

9. The priorities of the Joint Mission will be to complete mandated tasks by the end of June 2014, in full accordance with the Executive Committee's decision and the Security Council's resolution. This budget proposal provides for the completion of phase II activities and the full implementation of phase III of the Joint Mission operation for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2014.

10. The Joint Mission has currently absorbed the initial advance team and will operate as a single entity under the authority of the Special Coordinator. The Joint Mission will comprise a United Nations component and an OPCW component working in accordance with their areas of competence.

11. In line with the principles of the Global Field Support Strategy, the Joint Mission will draw on support from other entities, including the United Nations

¹ Similar support and guidance will be provided by the Director-General of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.

Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO) and the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF). In Cyprus, existing capacities in the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFYCIP) will be leveraged so as to avoid duplication in parallel structures. Given the short duration of its mandate, a robust Headquarters surge capacity will be necessary from the United Nations and OPCW headquarters in New York and The Hague to ensure immediate and effective operational capabilities.

12. The Joint Mission will maintain offices in Damascus and Cyprus, a liaison office in New York, and representation at OPCW headquarters in The Hague. The Mission will also include consultants and experts on short-term contracts and United Nations staff on temporary duty assignment from other missions and offices. It is anticipated that the United Nations component of the Joint Mission will comprise 123 (75 international and 48 national) temporary positions, of which 73 positions will be located in Damascus, 42 in Cyprus, 7 in New York and 1 in The Hague. OPCW will be responsible for the staffing of its components both in Damascus and Cyprus.

13. The Joint Mission will continue to operate with a "light footprint" in the Syrian Arab Republic consisting only of those personnel whose presence is necessary owing to the fragile security situation in the country. The Mission will maintain a capacity for deploying personnel into forward locations via temporary hubs established in security-cleared locations in order to conduct specific and time-bound tasks as required.

14. The Special Coordinator will be based in Damascus, but will carry out extensive functions from Cyprus and will travel extensively. In order to support the Special Coordinator in her role, an office of the Special Coordinator will be established in Cyprus. This office will provide political advice, liaison, coordination, reporting and administrative functions in support of the Special Coordinator.

15. The staging area and Support Back Office have been established in Cyprus from which teams travelling to the Syrian Arab Republic to conduct inspection visits will gather and plan their missions. This location will serve as a training centre for Joint Mission personnel, as well as a storage location for logistics and operational equipment. In order to ensure a "light footprint" in Damascus, the Support Back Office will provide human resources, finance, administrative and other support services for the Joint Mission from Cyprus.

16. Given the security situation in the Syrian Arab Republic, construction and establishment costs must ensure that the operational bases in the country meet Minimum Operating Security Standards (MOSS). All Joint Mission personnel assigned to Damascus are accommodated in the Four Seasons Hotel, where required security enhancements are being implemented, in accordance with MOSS. For security and operational expediency reasons, the Joint Mission Back Office and Office of the Special Coordinator located in Cyprus will be situated within the UNFICYP protected area and will be upgraded, as necessary.

17. Critical asset requirements with regard to secure and robust communications and secure mobility will be met through a combination of sources, including transfers from other missions and United Nations reserves, drawings from strategic deployment stocks and donations from Member States. Initial requirements for vehicles have been met by donors, and there will be no new additional requirement for similar vehicles with the exception of three armoured ambulances. It should be noted that the Joint Mission will have to ensure the removal of all equipment, either donated to the Mission or provided on loan to the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic, outside the country after completion of the mandated tasks.

18. Aviation capacity will be required for movements between Cyprus and Lebanon, between Cyprus and Latakia (subject to security conditions) and for some missions of the Special Coordinator and senior staff. The Joint Mission envisages, throughout its mandated period, the use of fixed-wing aircraft donated by contributing governments. Associated costs for fuel, crew accommodation and landing fees will, in some cases, be covered by the Mission.

19. The cost of all logistical requirements in regard to the removal and destruction of chemical weapons, precursors and all related facilities and any other required procedures of phase III implementation will be funded by the international community, as the Syrian Government has indicated that, contrary to paragraph 8 of article IV and paragraph 10 of article V of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, it is unable to meet those costs. It is expected that either in-kind contributions or voluntary contributions to the Syrian Government through complementary trust funds administered by OPCW or the Joint Mission will cover associated removal costs. A separate trust fund administered by OPCW will address all external destruction of chemical material once taken outside of the country. Moreover, it is expected that the Syrian Arab Republic may require assistance with regard to destruction that will take place within the country.

20. In line with their specific responsibilities, OPCW will be responsible for funding the direct costs of its own personnel, including movements to and from the Mission area (movements within the Mission area will be the responsibility of the United Nations). The details of cost-sharing and other technical integration details are included in a technical agreement which will be signed by the two organizations.

II. Results-based budgeting framework by component

21. The mandate of the Joint Mission of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and the United Nations for the Elimination of the Chemical Weapons Programme of the Syrian Arab Republic was established by the Security Council in its resolution 2118 (2013).

22. The President of the Security Council, in his letter dated 11 October 2013 (S/2013/603), informed the Secretary-General about the authorization by the Council of the establishment of the OPCW-United Nations Joint Mission to eliminate the chemical weapons programme of the Syrian Arab Republic.

23. Within this overall objective, the Joint Mission will, during the budget period from 1 January to 30 June 2014, contribute to a number of expected accomplishments by delivering related key outputs, shown in the frameworks below. These frameworks are grouped by components, coordination and liaison, and security support, to facilitate the elimination of the Syrian chemical weapons programme, and support.

24. The expected accomplishments would lead to the fulfilment of the Security Council's objective within the lifetime of the Joint Mission of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and the United Nations, and the indicators of achievement show a measurement of progress towards such accomplishments during the budget period. The Joint Mission will be headed by a Special Coordinator appointed by the United Nations and deputized by an OPCW-appointed and funded deputy head of mission. The Special Coordinator will provide the overall direction and management of the Mission.

25. The United Nations will provide support to overall coordination and liaison with the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic and opposition groups, security arrangements, logistics, information assessments, communications and outreach, and administration. The United Nations will also engage, in its areas of responsibilities, with international and regional actors, as well as the Security Council and other stakeholders.

26. The Office of the Special Coordinator is based in Cyprus, but an office in Damascus will also be maintained. The Office of the Deputy Head of Mission will also be based in Damascus. The Special Coordinator will be backstopped by a director and a planning team at Headquarters, the Office of the Chief of Staff/ Deputy Head of Mission in Damascus and a Planning Officer in The Hague.

27. The Office of Chief of Mission Support and OPCW inspectors will be based in Damascus at Mission headquarters. Some support functions will be provided in Cyprus. Owing to the prevailing security situation in the Syrian Arab Republic, the Joint Mission headquarters will be based in the Four Seasons Hotel up to the expected mandate completion date of 30 June 2014.

Executive direction and management

Component 1: Coordination and liaison to facilitate the elimination of the Syrian chemical weapons programme

28. The Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons will serve as the lead technical agency responsible for the verification of the destruction of the Syrian chemical weapons programme. The United Nations will provide support as outlined above, including facilitating the support and assistance of Member States in the furtherance of the implementation of Security Council resolution 2118 (2013).

Table 1**Objective, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective: Through the provision of overall coordination and liaison with all Syrian parties and engagement with regional and international actors to facilitate support, assist OPCW to verify the destruction of the Syrian Arab Republic's chemical weapons programme, in accordance with Security Council resolution 2118 (2013)

Expected accomplishments	Indicators of achievement						
(a) Effective coordination and liaison support to OPCW component verification of destruction of	(a) (i) Unfulfilled munitions are destroyed no later than 31 January 2014						
chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic	(ii) Isopropanol destroyed no later than 1 March 2014						

(b) Effective coordination and liaison support to OPCW component verification of destruction of Syrian chemical weapons production facilities in the Syrian Arab Republic

(c) Effective coordination and liaison with all Syrian parties, and engagement with international actors resulting in the transfer of chemical warfare agents and precursor chemical agents outside of the Syrian Arab Republic

(d) Effective engagement with international actors in support of OPCW verification of destruction of chemical warfare agents, all precursor chemicals and binary components of nerve agents at a destruction facility outside of the Syrian Arab Republic

(e) Effective resource mobilization and coordination of assistance from donor Member States to ensure adequate funding is available for the destruction of the Syrian chemical weapons programme (iii) Residual mustard agent inside containers destroyed no later than 1 March 2014

Performance measures

100 per cent destruction verified by physical presence of an inspection team

(b) (i) Priority II facilities destroyed no later than 15 January 2014

(ii) Priority III facilities destroyed no later than15 February 2014

(iii) Priority IV and priority V facilities destroyed no later than 15 March 2014

Performance measures

100 per cent destruction verified by physical presence of an inspection team

(c) All chemicals, with the exception of isopropanol, removed from the Syrian Arab Republic no later than 5 February 2014

Performance measures

100 per cent transfer of chemical warfare agents and precursor chemical agents outside of the Syrian Arab Republic, verified by inspection teams

(d) (i) Mustard agent and key binary chemical weapons components DF, A, B, and BB, including BB salteffective destruction no later than 31 March 2014

(ii) Any resulting reaction mass of the above agents and binary components destroyed by a date to be agreed by the Executive Council

(iii) All other chemicals destroyed no later than 30 June 2014

Performance measures

100 per cent destruction verified by continuous physical presence of an inspection team

(e) Effective resource mobilization and coordination (e) (i) Trust fund with adequate mechanisms of control and reporting is established

(ii) All pledges made by Member States are collected

(iii) Voluntary contributions and assistance provided sufficient to cover all complete requirements of the chemical destruction process

(iv) Donated equipment and unused material returned to donors in accordance with conditions set in the contributions after the liquidation of the Mission

Performance measures

100 per cent destruction verified by continuous physical presence of an inspection team

Outputs

- 150 Special Coordinator meetings in the Joint Mission area, regional and international countries to liaise and coordinate with the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic and other Syrian actors, and to reach out and coordinate with Member States to provide voluntary contributions and in-kind donations to achieve fulfilment of Joint Mission-mandated objectives under Security Council resolution 2118 (2013)
- Weekly, and as required, meetings and interaction of the Chief of Staff of the Joint Mission, Damascus, with the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic ensure unimpeded freedom of movement for OPCW verification and monitoring activities and Joint Mission activities within Government-controlled areas
- Monthly, and as required, meetings and interaction of the Chief of Staff of the Joint Mission, Damascus, with non-State parties and regional actors enable freedom of movement for OPCW verification and monitoring activities and Joint Mission activities in areas not controlled by the Government, and ensure that non-State parties do not impede implementation of mandated objectives
- Daily public information Special Coordinator activities and initiatives regarding the mandate of the Joint Mission, roles and responsibilities of the parties involved, progress made to date, and challenges being faced by the Joint Mission
- Daily interaction with Member States to seek voluntary contributions to a Joint Mission-administered trust fund and/or in-kind donations
- Consolidation and dissemination of itemized lists of assistance required to international donors willing to provide voluntary contributions
- Monthly reporting on United Nations trust fund contributions and expenditures
- Ten coordination meetings with the United Nations system in the Syrian Arab Republic (United Nations country team, Office of the Joint Special Representative of the United Nations and the League of Arab States for Syria (OJSRS)) on progress on mandate implementation, security and operational matters
- Monthly letters of the Secretary-General to the Security Council detailing United Nations activities in support of OPCW monitoring and verification
- Provision of updates to OPCW and relevant bodies of the United Nations on progress to date, challenges and status of international assistance required

- Coordination and liaison in support of OPCW through weekly meetings and interaction resulting in the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic submitting plans for the destruction on its territory of chemicals and chemical weapons production facilities by the timeline established by the Executive Council of OPCW
- Weekly meetings and interaction with the relevant State Party hosting destruction activities and the relevant States Parties providing assistance with destruction in support of OPCW with a goal of developing for each destruction facility outside the Syrian Arab Republic an agreed detailed plan for verification and a draft facility agreement

External factors

29. Verification activities are dependent on the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic meeting its obligations to destroy its chemical weapons programme in accordance with Security Council resolution 2118 (2013).

30. The security situation may impede verification activities and cause delays in meeting timelines with consequent impacts on Mission duration and costs. Accidents or incidents related to security may cause spillage of chemical material to the environment and a resulting environmental hazard to people and places.

Component 2: Security support to operations of the OPCW-United Nations Joint Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic

31. The Security component of the Joint Mission will provide a full range of security support to the Mission's personnel in furtherance of the implementation of resolution 2118 (2013). The safety and security of all Mission personnel remain a central concern and demand focused and constant attention. The Security component of the Joint Mission will continue to take proactive actions in assessing the security context, working with the host Government to ensure the necessary security arrangements, and advising on and supporting the conduct of operations. The component will continue to liaise with the Government and local groups with regard to the site access and safe passage. In addition, the component will constantly monitor and adopt necessary risk mitigation measures to keep security risk at an admissible level.

32. These measures include, but are not limited to, the provision of adequate MOSS-compliant working space conditions, as well as ensuring that the security of staff accommodation and transportation meet the required standards. The latter may involve the ongoing security enhancements.

Table 2 **Objective, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective: Provision of a full range of security support, assist OPCW to verify the destruction of the Syrian Arab Republic's chemical weapons programme, in accordance with Security Council resolution 2118 (2013).

Expected accomplishments	Indicators of achievement						
(a) Effective and efficient security support to the Mission	 (a) No major security incident impacting physical safety of the Mission's personnel was registered owing to the breach of security regulations 						

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Outputs

- Provision of security services round-the-clock for an average of 60 international staff and including close protection of VIPs
- Conduct of 12 information sessions on security awareness and contingency plans for all Mission staff
- Investigation of incidents and accidents involving Mission personnel and property
- 24-hour close protection to the Special Coordinator and visiting high-level officials
- Induction security briefing for all new Mission staff
- Implementation and update of the security plan
- No less than 12 meetings are held with the representatives of the Syrian security institutions to ensure safety of site visits
- Submission of three risk mitigation plans
- Conduct of four security and evacuation exercises
- Weekly meetings with the security and technical representatives of the hotel designated as a mandatory working and accommodation place on the status and improvement of the security and safety measures
- Weekly reports to the Department of Safety and Security of the Secretariat on the status of the security and safety of the Joint Mission personnel
- Participation in weekly meetings of the Security Management Team under the Designated Official for the Syrian Arab Republic
- No less than 12 meetings are held with the local groups' representatives to ensure safety of site visits
- Production of three risk assessment reports

Component 3: Support

33. The Support component will provide a full range of Mission support to personnel of the OPCW-United Nations Joint Mission in furtherance of the implementation of Security Council resolution 2118 (2013). The Support component will continue maintaining operational capability across a range of areas. It will maintain an operational base in Damascus and a forward base in Latakia or a similar port location. It will maintain 22 armoured vehicles and 3 armoured ambulances. It will ensure medical support by establishing a level 1 United Nations clinic that will work in conjunction with OPCW paramedics. The component will maintain a strategic communication network by establishing two very high frequency (VHF) base stations and maintaining computers, satellite and mobile phones. The component will also coordinate all incoming donors' contributions of material and equipment required for the elimination of the chemical weapons, and further removal from the Syrian Arab Republic of materials that will not be consumed. It will coordinate utilization of the aircraft assets provided by the Member States and facilitate the coordination of land and maritime activities dedicated to the removal of the chemical weapons.

Table 3 Objective, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures

Objective: Through the provision of a full range of Mission assist, support OPCW to verify the elimination of the Syrian Arab Republic's chemical weapons programme, in accordance with Security Council resolution 2118 (2013).

Expected accomplishments	Ind	icators of achievement					
(a) Effective and efficient, logistics and administrative support to the Mission	(a)	(i) Fully equipped operational base established for the OPCW inspectors					
		(ii) All required geographical and geospatial data and maps provided to chemical weapons inspectors					
		(iii) Uninterrupted communication link established between the operational base and inspection teams					
		(iv) Adequate transportation support provided for all site visits and movement inspections					
		Performance measures					
		100 per cent destruction of chemical weapons verified by continuous physical presence of an inspection team					

Outputs

Ground transportation

• Outsource maintenance of United Nations-owned 27 vehicles, including 22 armoured vehicles, 3 ambulances (armoured) and 2 trucks (1 fuel truck, 1 freight truck)

Air transportation

• Provide subsistence payments to the crew and running costs of the cargo and executive aircraft contributed by the Member States and facilitate utilization for operational requirements

Communications

- Support to and maintenance of a high-frequency network (VHF), consisting of 100 handheld radios, 24 mobile radios and 2 base stations
- Support to and maintenance of 2 telephone exchanges and 2 microwave links
- Support to and maintenance of 1 VSAT network
- Support of 22 mobile armoured vehicles with redundant communications and tracking equipment
- Support of 55 PABX extensions and 125 SIM Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM) services

Information technology

- Support and maintenance of 10 local area networks (LAN) and 6 wide area networks (WAN)
- Support for 106 users across 5 locations (Damascus, Nicosia, The Hague, New York and Latakia)
- Support and services to OPCW staff

Medical

- Operation and maintenance of one level 1 clinic within the Four Seasons Hotel in Damascus, providing medical services to all United Nations staff in the country
- Maintenance of Mission-wide land and air evacuation arrangements for all Mission personnel

Movement control

- Provide an average of up to 20 vehicle convoys per month to support the movement of the OPCW inspectors
- Provide an average of up to 400 passenger movements (by vehicle) per month to move Joint Mission personnel into and out of the Syrian Arab Republic and to transport them within the area of operations for support and command and liaison tasks
- Provide movement service for an average of 20,000 kgs of goods per month

External factors

34. It is expected that the objectives will be met and the expected accomplishments achieved, provided that: (a) supplies, equipment and outsourced services will be delivered as contracted; and (b) the host Government and local authorities will cooperate in the verification process, including through provision of access to all locations, transfer of United Nations-owned equipment and the granting of appropriate permissions movement, when required.

Resource requirements (regular budget)

Table 4 Financial resources

(Thousands of United States dollars)

		2012-2013		Requiremen	nts for 2014	Treat	Variance, 2013-2014
-	Appropriation	Estimated expenditure	Variance	Total	Non-recurrent	Total requirements for 2013	
Category	(1)	(2)	(3)=(1)-(2)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)=(4)-(6)
Civilian personnel costs	_	_	_	4 194.7	_	_	_
Operational costs	_	-	-	7 628.2	1 699.4	-	-
Total	-	_	_	11 822.9	1 699.4	_	_

Table 5 **Positions**

	Professional and higher categories									General and related			National staff			
	USG	ASG	D-2	D-1	P-5	P-4	P-3	P-2	Subtotal	Field/ Security Service		Total inter- national	National Officer	Local level	United Nations Volunteers	Total
Approved 2013	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	-	-	_	_	-	_
Proposed 2014	1	_	2	2	8	13	14	_	40	33	2	75	-	48	_	123
Change	1	_	2	2	8	13	14	_	40	33	2	75	_	48	_	123

35. The proposed resources for 2014 for the Joint Mission of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons and the United Nations in the amount of \$11,822,900 (net of staff assessment) would provide for salaries and common staff costs (\$4,194,700) for the 123 positions (1 USG; 2 D-2; 2 D-1; 8 P-5; 13 P-4; 14 P-3; 33 FS; 2 GS (OL) and 48 (LL)), consultants (\$44,100), official travel (\$1,492,100), facilities and infrastructure (\$2,652,400), ground transportation (\$993,400), air transportation (\$1,153,800), communications (\$440,900), information technology (\$461,100), medical (\$203,100), and other services, supplies and equipment (\$187,300).

36. The initial activities of the Joint Mission for the period from October to December 2013 were funded under the commitment authority of the Secretary-General under the provisions of General Assembly resolution 66/249 on unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 2012-2013, in the amount of \$5,073,300, including for up to 123 positions, which has been reflected in the second performance report for the biennium 2012-2013.

Extrabudgetary resources

37. As of December 2013, a trust fund has been established for the elimination of Syrian chemical weapons. To date, a total of \$2 million has been received; in addition, approximately \$1.25 million has been pledged.