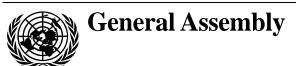
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Overview

Table 29C.1 Financial resources

(United States dollars)

Approved resources for 2012-2013 ^a	77 083 700
Technical adjustments (delayed impact and removal of non-recurrent requirements)	(34 100)
New mandates and inter-component changes (net)	0
Changes reflected in the Secretary-General's report on the budget outline for 2014-2015	(2 275 400)
Total resource change	(2 309 500)
Proposal of the Secretary-General for 2014-2015 ^a	74 774 200

^a At 2012-2013 revised rates.

Table 29C.2 Post resources

	Number	Level
Regular budget		
Approved for the biennium 2012-2013 ^a	179	1 ASG, 3 D-2, 5 D-1, 17 P-5, 23 P-4, 21 P-3, 14 P-2/1, 11 GS (PL), 84 GS (OL)
Redeployment	2	1 P-5 from learning, development and human resources services (component 3) to human resources information systems (component 5)
		1 P-2 from policy (component 1) to executive direction and management
Abolishment	(6)	1 P-3, 1 GS (PL), 4 GS (OL) under:
		component 1 (1 GS (PL) and 1 GS (OL))
		component 2 (1 P-3 and 2 GS (OL))
		component 4 (1 GS (OL))
Proposed for the biennium 2014-2015	173	1 ASG, 3 D-2, 5 D-1, 17 P-5, 23 P-4, 20 P-3, 14 P-2/1, 10 GS (PL), 80 GS (OL)

^a Including 2 posts at the P-3 level that were established in the biennium 2012-2013 pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/247.

Overall orientation

29C.1 The Office of Human Resources Management is responsible for implementing the programme of work under section 29C, with support from the relevant organizational units of the United Nations located at offices away from Headquarters. The overall responsibilities of the Office are set out in Secretary-General's bulletin ST/SGB/2004/8. The Office of Human Resources Management plays a strategic role in supporting the Organization in aligning its human resources capacity to meet emerging challenges and in the establishment of new entities. Substantively, the Office develops and maintains the human resources management infrastructure through policy and system

Note: The following abbreviations are used in tables and charts: ASG, Assistant Secretary-General; GS, General Service; LL, Local level; OL, Other level; PL, Principal level; RB, regular budget; XB, extrabudgetary.

- development, provides advice, monitors performance and develops the skills and potential of staff of the Secretariat consistent with the mandates set forth by the General Assembly.
- 29C.2 The activities proposed under section 29C fall within subprogramme 3, Human resources management, of programme 25, Management and support services, of the biennial programme plan for the period 2014-2015. The primary objective of this subprogramme is to provide an integrated and modern human resources service that supports a versatile, high performing, multi-skilled and mobile workforce of the future, and, in particular, the reform measures mandated by Member States, as set out in the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 63/250, 65/247 and A/67/255.
- 29C.3 The reform initiatives in human resources management flowing most recently from resolution A/67/255 include work on mobility, contractual arrangements and performance management. In terms of mobility, the Office is presenting a refined proposal as requested. Once a system is agreed, it will be working on preparation so that implementation can take place in 2015. In terms of the other reforms, the Office will be implementing the system of continuing contracts. It will be working to enhance the performance appraisal system. And it will work with the Umoja team to ensure that it and Inspira are smoothly integrated in order to ensure efficient and comprehensive human resources management in the Organization.
- 29C.4 It is expected that during the biennium, the Office of Human Resources Management will achieve further progress in the following areas:
 - (a) Mobility: as well as working on the comprehensive framework, the Office will continue to support access to existing programmes and mechanisms that promote mobility by providing consistent and systematic support for staff and their families who relocate to different duty stations, in order to facilitate moves and maximize the contribution that staff can make to the Organization;
 - (b) Recruitment: the Office will implement a more proactive, targeted recruitment system to meet the operational needs at Headquarters and in the field. The integrated talent management system will help to expedite recruitment processes. An improved mechanism for hiring young professionals, including streamlined examination and assessment processes, will ensure that the Organization is equipped with young, talented and highly motivated professionals to fulfil its evolving mandates;
 - (c) Leadership, staff development and career support: staff development and learning programmes will continue to be aimed at promoting a culture of continuous learning and career development. The Office will implement a revised learning and career development strategy to better meet the needs of a global, mobile workforce, including management and leadership training for senior leaders, as well as substantive, technical and technological skills, and language and communications programmes;
 - (d) Monitoring: the Office will continue to strengthen the monitoring function to focus on the effective implementation of the delegation of authority, and increasing monitoring efforts to identify inconsistent implementation of policies will be pursued. In addition, the Office will seek to enhance data warehouses to provide human resource practitioners and programme managers with self-service tools, which will enable self-monitoring of targets and performance on human resources management and enable monitoring and oversight by Member States;
 - (e) Information technology: the Office will continue to enhance the technological platform Inspira, integrated with work on Umoja to underpin the efficient management of the Organization's global human resources;
 - (f) Medical services: the Office will continue to modernize and enhance its services to staff and contribute to a healthier Secretariat workforce, in particular to promote health in hardship

- locations, including through psychological support and disease awareness and improved emergency preparedness;
- (g) Staff-management relations: outreach to, and consultation with, staff, including staff representatives, in developing and implementing relevant policies, will be continued.

Overview of resources

- 29C.5 The overall level of resources proposed for the biennium 2014-2015 for the Office of Human Resources Management amounts to \$74,774,200 (before recosting), reflecting a net decrease of \$2,309,500, or 3.0 per cent, as compared with the biennium 2012-2013 budget at revised rates. Resource changes result from three factors, namely, (a) technical adjustments relating to the removal of non-recurrent requirements and the addition of delayed impact for new posts approved in the biennium 2012-2013; (b) inter-component changes; and (c) resource changes reflected in the report of the Secretary-General on the budget outline for the biennium 2014-2015.
- 29C.6 The distribution of resources is reflected in tables 29C.3 to 29C.5 below.

Table 29C.3 Financial resources by component

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

						Resource c	hanges					
Coi	nponent	2010-2011 expenditure	2012-2013 resources at revised rates	Technical adjustment (delayed impact and non-recurrent)	New mandates and inter- component changes	with	Reflected in budget outline report ^a	Total	Percentage	Total before recosting	Recosting	2014-2015 estimate
A.	Executive direction and management	4 505.7	4 902.9	-	(2 032.4)	_	193.0	(1 839.4)	(37.5)	3 063.5	101.0	3 164.5
В.	Programme of work											
	1. Policy	6 344.5	6 461.7	(24.3)	-	-	(344.2)	(368.5)	(5.7)	6 093.2	195.1	6 288.3
	2. Strategic planning and staffing	12 979.8	12 749.7	-	-	_	(676.2)	(676.2)	(5.3)	12 073.5	397.1	12 470.6
	3. Learning, development and human resources services	39 651.8	39 964.6	-	1 309.7	_	(1 242.6)	67.1	0.2	40 031.7	1 666.7	41 698.4
	4. Medical services	5 147.9	5 937.3	_	722.7	_	(266.2)	456.5	7.7	6 393.8	248.5	6 642.3
	5. Human resources information systems	6 232.1	7 067.5	(9.8)	-	-	60.8	51.0	0.7	7 118.5	279.2	7 397.7
	Subtotal, B	70 356.1	72 180.8	(34.1)	2 032.4	_	(2 468.4)	(470.1)	(0.7)	71 710.7	2 786.6	74 497.3
	Subtotal, 1	74 861.8	77 083.7	(34.1)	_	_	(2 275.4)	(2 309.5)	(3.0)	74 774.2	2 887.6	77 661.8

(2) Other assessed b

3. Learning, development and human resources services4. Medical serv5. Human resou information systematical systematics.	20 407.2	22 256.0	24 070.8
development and human resources services		8 043.8	9 114.0
development and human resources	ices 4 056.8	3 966.4	4 107.2
		2 460.4	2 718.4
2. Strategic planning and staffing	2 456.9	2 443.6	2 471.4
1. Policy	4 959.4	5 341.8	5 659.8
A. Executive direction and managementB. Programme of w	_	-	_
Component	2010-2011 expenditure	2012-2013 estimate	2014-2015 estimate

(3) Extrabudgetary^c

Total	100 407.3	106 155.3	109 029.1
Subtotal, 3	5 138.3	6 815.6	7 296.5
5. Human resources information systems	-	_	_
4. Medical services	2 709.8	2 725.8	2 746.6
staffing 3. Learning, development and human resources services	751.8 805.8	901.3 1 075.4	996.2 1 198.2
2. Strategic planning and	751.0	001.2	007.2
1. Policy	870.9	2 108.7	2 313.5
and management B. Programme of work	-	4.4	42.0
A. Executive direction			
Component	2010-2011 expenditure	2012-2013 estimate	2014-2015 estimate

^a A/67/529 and Corr.1.

^b Financed exclusively by the support account for peacekeeping operations.

^c Financed from extrabudgetary resources derived from programme support income received as reimbursement for support to extrabudgetary administrative structures, and support to extrabudgetary substantive activities.

Table 29C.4 Post resources

	E . 11	, ,			Тетро	rary ^a				
	Establis regular b		Regular	budget	Other as	$sessed^b$	Extrabua	lgetary	Tota	al
Category	2012- 2013	2014- 2015	2012- 2013	2014- 2015	2012- 2013	2014- 2015	2012- 2013	2014- 2015	2012- 2013	2014- 2015
Professional and higher										
ASG	1	1	_	_	_	_	_	_	1	1
D-2	3	3	_	_	_	_	_	_	3	3
D-1	5	5	_	_	_	_	_	_	5	5
P-5	17	17	_	_	2	2	1	1	20	20
$P-4/3^{c}$	41	40	3	3	24	24	4	4	72	71
P-2/1	13	13	1	1	1	1	_	_	15	15
Subtotal	80	79	4	4	27	27	5	5	116	115
General Service										
Principal level	11	10	_	_	1	1	4	5	16	16
Other level	82	78	2	2	19	18	9	9	112	107
Subtotal	93	88	2	2	20	19	13	14	128	123
Total	173	167	6	6	47	46	18	19	244	238

^a 2 P-5, 15 P-4, 9 P-3, 3 P-2, 1 GS (PL) and 18 GS (OL) funded from the support account for peacekeeping operations; 1 P-5, 2 P-4, 2 P-3, 5 GS (PL) and 8 GS (OL) funded from extrabudgetary resources derived from programme support income received as reimbursement for support to extrabudgetary administrative structures; and 1 GS (OL) funded from support to extrabudgetary substantive activities.

Table 29C.5 **Distribution of resources by component**

(Percentage)

	Regular budget	Other assessed	Extrabudgetary
A. Executive direction and management	4.2	_	0.6
B. Programme of work			
1. Policy	8.1	23.5	31.7
2. Strategic planning and staffing	16.1	10.3	13.7
3. Learning, development and human resources services	53.5	11.3	16.4
4. Medical services	8.6	17.1	37.6
5. Human resources information systems	9.5	37.8	_
Subtotal, B	95.8	100.0	99.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Technical adjustments

29C.7 Resource changes of \$34,100 reflect the net effect of the removal of non-recurrent requirements totalling \$305,300 for other staff costs of \$292,700 and various general operating expenses of \$12,600, offset largely by an increase of \$271,200 relating to the delayed impact of two new posts

^b Resource requirements financed exclusively from the support account for peacekeeping operations.

^c Including two P-3 posts that were established in the biennium 2012-2013 pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/247.

that were established in the biennium 2012-2013 pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/247 in respect of the administration of justice.

New mandates and inter-component changes

29C.8 Resources have been redistributed across subprogrammes and various objects of expenditure in efforts to better implement existing mandates, owing mainly to the transfer of Emergency Preparedness and Support team functions from the Office of the Assistant Secretary-General to the programme of work to better reflect established organizational reporting lines and operational requirements, in accordance with the views expressed by the intergovernmental bodies that emergency preparedness and support should be established within the existing structure of the Office of Human Resources Management. For the biennium 2012-2013, the Emergency Preparedness and Support team functions have been reflected centrally under the Office of the Assistant Secretary-General as the team has developed and evolved its roles and responsibilities. For the biennium 2014-2015 it is proposed to redeploy five general temporary assistance positions (2 P-5, 1 P-4, 1 P-2 and 1 General Service (Other level)) as well as non-post resources related to the Emergency Preparedness and Support team to their respective functional areas under the programme of work, namely the Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division (component 3) and the Medical Services Division (component 4), to better reflect established organizational reporting lines. The General Assembly in its resolution 67/254 has requested the Secretary-General to submit a progress report on the implementation of the organizational resilience management system, in the first part of the resumed sixty-eighth session.

Changes reflected in the Secretary-General's report on the budget outline for 2014-2015

29C.9 Reductions in line with the Secretary-General's budget outline amount to \$2,275,400. The primary areas of reductions in the amount of \$2,047,500 are outlined in table 29C.6 below.

Table 29C.6 Primary areas of resource changes in line with the Secretary-General's budget outline

Item	Net reductions in inputs	Description	Reductions in the volume of outputs	Reductions in performance targets
1	Programme of work	Use of computer technology to automate manual work processes	_	_
	Component 2	Total net reduction: \$1,428,900		
	Abolishment: 1 P-3 Human Resources Officer	Under subprogramme 2, the focus of the Planning, Monitoring and Reporting Service will remain on delivering the human		
	1 GS (OL) Office Assistant	resources scorecard and its reporting activities. Benefits of HR Insight, an online self-service human resources reporting tool		
	1 GS (OL) Team Assistant	available to permanent missions, where Member States can easily obtain the information themselves at their own		
	Component 3	convenience, for example, desirable ranges		
	Reduction: Contractual services	and staff details on their respective nationals, would be leveraged. Automated approaches to examination delivery, including more reliance on computer-based testing technologies will also be explored.		

Iter	n Net reductions in inputs	Description	Reductions in the volume of outputs	Reductions in performance targets
		Blended learning approaches enable the Office of Human Resources Management to reduce expenses on contractual services. These approaches incorporate online options, self-study modules with audio/video tools and instructor-led classes. The Office will continue and intensify promotion of its elearning portal, UN Skillport, in lieu of conducting some instructor-led training programmes.		
2	Programme of work	Redistribution of workload and	_	_
	Component 1	discontinuation of on-site X-ray services Total net reduction: \$258,600		
	Abolishment: 1 GS (PL) Salary Administration Assistant 1 GS (OL) Legal Assistant Addition:	The reduction of one General Service (Other level) post would be achieved through the rationalization and redistribution of the workload within the section. One General Service (Principle level) post currently supporting inter-agency activities would be funded under the cost-sharing arrangement of the salary survey activities.		
	General temporary assistance	The resource reduction is offset in part by a recurrent provision for general temporary assistance required to reinstate the Legal		
	Component 4 Abolishment: 1 GS (OL) Office Assistant Reduction: Other staff costs	Officer position at the P-3 level to support the administration of justice system. The proposed abolishment of one General Service (Other level) post is most costefficient given the minimum demand for X-ray services. Ophthalmologist, radiologist and back-up services of an X-ray technician will be discontinued. There will be no impact on staff as all these facilities are available through the United Nations medical insurance.		
3	Programme of work	Reduction of service-level agreement with	_	-
	Component 5	the Office of Information and Communications Technology		
	Reduction:	Total reduction: \$360,000		
	Contractual services	The service level agreement would be downgraded from B to C. Staff members in the Office of Human Resources Management will be encouraged to be more self-sufficient		

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tem Net reductions in inputs	Description	Reductions in the volume of outputs	Reductions in performance targets
	by availing themselves of available		
	information technology training so that they		
	might be able to address service questions		
	that are no longer supported by the Office of		
	Information and Communications		
	Technology. This will support their efforts to		
	be more multi-skilled and self-reliant; skills		
	that are useful wherever staff serve in the		
	Organization.		

Other assessed and extrabudgetary resources

29C.10 The regular budget resources would be complemented by additional resources, derived primarily from programme support income received as reimbursement for services provided by the central administration to extrabudgetary activities, funds and programmes; as well as from the support account for peacekeeping operations and from substantive trust funds in support of the activities of the Office to finance various activities relating mostly to guidance and advice on the implementation of human resources policies and operational procedures. For the biennium 2014-2015, total extrabudgetary resources to be received are estimated at \$31,367,300, comprising: (a) programme support income received as reimbursement for services provided by the central administration to extrabudgetary activities, funds and programmes (\$7,254,500), including continued funding of 19 posts (5 in the Professional and 14 in the General Service categories); (b) resources from the support account for peacekeeping operations (\$24,070,800), including continued funding of 46 posts (27 in the Professional and 19 in the General Service categories); and (c) income from the Trust Fund to Promote Information to United Nations Staff about the Work of the Organization (\$42,000).

Other information

- Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/269, resources identified for the conduct of self-monitoring and evaluation would amount to \$382,800, reflected under various divisions, services and sections. Resources from the regular budget in the amount of \$340,000 and from extrabudgetary sources in the amount of \$42,800 would be equivalent to 20.5 work-months at the Professional level and 11.25 work-months at the General Service level, as compared with the amount of \$489,600 estimated for the biennium 2012-2013. In the area of self-evaluation activities, the Office continually assesses the usefulness and satisfaction levels of its training programmes through questionnaires distributed to participants. In addition, the Office conducts a Secretariat-wide survey every two years in which staff rate the efficiency and client service of the Human Resources Services Section.
- 29C.12 Requirements under business continuity in the amount of \$46,200 for the biennium 2014-2015 are based upon providing support elements for a total of 33 critical staff that would be responsible to maintain critical functions in the Office of Human Resources Management in case of crises and interruptions and will therefore require remote access to its applications and data.

A. Executive direction and management

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$3,063,500

- The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management provides the Secretary-General, through the Under-Secretary-General for Management, with advice and support on all matters that relate to the direction and coordination of human resources management strategies, policies and programmes throughout the Secretariat. The Assistant Secretary-General represents the Secretary-General on matters pertaining to human resources management vis-à-vis representatives of Member and observer States at meetings of the Main Committees of the General Assembly, the Committee for Programme and Coordination, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB) and its subsidiary bodies and other intergovernmental bodies, international organizations, governmental and non-governmental organizations, the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) and other programmes and organizations of the United Nations system, as well as with the media, and represents management in the conduct of staff-management consultations, as envisaged in chapter VIII of the Staff Rules.
- With respect to staff-management consultations and communications with staff worldwide, the Assistant Secretary-General continues to be the primary interlocutor with the staff consultation machinery on a worldwide basis. In addition, the immediate Office of the Assistant Secretary-General is responsible for communicating with staff at large through various means and for exchanging views with staff on various aspects of human resources management.
- During the biennium 2014-2015, the Office of the Assistant Secretary-General will continue to focus on the implementation of human resources reforms as set out in the relevant resolutions.

Table 29C.7 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To improve and enhance the development, implementation, application and coordination of human resources management strategies, policies and programmes throughout the Secretariat

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat Indicators of achievement

- (a) Improved human resources management, taking into account the Organization's needs and those of staff, to enable it to meet the mandates of Member States
- (a) Continuous improvement in human resources policies, practices and programmes

Performance measures

(Number of improvements realized in the biennium)

2010-2011: 14

Estimate 2012-2013: 14

Target 2014-2015: 14

(b) Programme of work is effectively managed (b) (i) Timely delivery of outputs and services

Performance measures

(Percentage of output delivery within established deadlines)

2010-2011: 90

Estimate 2012-2013: 90

Target 2014-2015: 90

(ii) Efficient and effective use of resources

Performance measures

(Percentage of expenditure compared with funds available)

2010-2011: 100

Estimate 2012-2013: 100

Target 2014-2015: 100

External factors

29C.16 The objectives and expected accomplishments under executive direction and management are expected to be achieved on the assumption that (a) stakeholders will be supportive of the efforts of and will extend full cooperation to the Office of Human Resources Management; and (b) the staffmanagement consultative process will contribute positively to human resources management reform.

Outputs

- 29C.17 During the biennium 2014-2015, the following final outputs will be delivered:
 - (a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget and extrabudgetary):
 - (i) Representing the Secretary-General at meetings of intergovernmental/expert bodies on human resources management matters;
 - (ii) Strategic guidance and management oversight concerning human resources management in the Secretariat, including authorization and review of delegation of authority relating to human resources matters;
 - (b) Other substantive activities (regular budget and extrabudgetary): representation at, and convening of, meetings with human resources management professionals of the Secretariat, offices away from Headquarters and United Nations funds and programmes and specialized agencies on issues of common concern.
- 29C.18 The distribution of resources for executive direction and management is reflected in table 29C.8 below.

Table 29C.8 Resource requirements: executive direction and management

	Resources (thousands of U	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		Posts	
Category	2012-2013	2014-2015 (before recosting)	2012-2013	2014-2015	
A. Regular budget Post Non-post	2 344.3 2 558.6	2 583.5 480.0	8	9	
Subtotal	4 902.9	3 063.5	8	9	
B. Extrabudgetary	4.4	42.0	_	_	
Total	4 907.3	3 105.5	8	9	

Regular budget resources in the amount of \$3,063,500, reflecting a decrease of \$1,839,400, would provide for nine posts (1 Assistant Secretary-General, 1 P-5, 2 P-4, 1 P-2 and 4 General Service (Other level)) (\$2,583,500), and operational requirements (\$480,000) comprising general temporary assistance, travel of staff, as well as other operating costs as shown in table 29C.8. The increase of \$239,200 under posts reflects the proposed the inward redeployment of one P-2 post from the Human Resources Policy Service. The decrease of \$2,078,600 under non-post requirements is attributable mainly to the outward redeployment of resources related to the Emergency Preparedness and Support team from the Office of the Assistant Secretary-General to component 3 (Learning, development and human resources services) and component 4 (Medical services) of the programme of work, to better reflect established organizational reporting lines.

During the biennium 2014-2015, projected extrabudgetary resources of \$42,000 would be used for the continued development and maintenance of the architecture of the human resources portal.

B. Programme of work

29C.21 The distribution of resources by component is reflected in table 29C.9 below.

Table 29C.9 Resource requirements by component

		Resources (thousands of Ur	nited States dollars)	Posts	,
		2012-2013	2014-2015 (before recosting)	2012-2013	2014-2015
Α.	Regular budget				
	1. Policy	6 461.7	6 093.2	22	19
	2. Strategic planning and staffing	12 749.7	12 073.5	46	43
	3. Learning, development and human				
	resources services	39 964.6	40 031.7	67	66
	4. Medical services	5 937.3	6 393.8	18	17
	5. Human resources information				
	systems	7 067.5	7 118.5	18	19
	Subtotal	72 180.8	71 710.7	171	164
В.	Other assessed	22 256.0	24 070.8	47	46
C.	Extrabudgetary	6 811.2	7 254.5	18	19
	Total	101 248.0	103 036.0	236	229

Distribution of resources by component

(Percentage)

		Regular budget	Other assessed	Extrabudgetary
Progra	mme of work			
1.	Policy	8.5	23.5	31.9
2.	Strategic planning and staffing	16.8	10.3	13.7
3.	Learning, development and human resources services	55.8	11.3	16.5
4.	Medical services	8.9	17.1	37.9
5.	Human resources information systems	10.0	37.8	_
To	tal	100.0	100.0	100.0

Component 1 Policy

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$6,093,200

- 29C.22 This component of subprogramme 3, Human resources management, of programme 25, Management and support services, is the responsibility of the Human Resources Policy Service of the Office of Human Resources Management. The programme of activities will be implemented in accordance with the strategy detailed under subprogramme 3, Human resources management, of programme 25, Management and support services, of the biennial programme plan for the period 2014-2015.
- The component supports the ongoing reform efforts of the Secretary-General, as approved by the General Assembly in its resolutions 61/244, 63/250, 65/247 and 67/255.

Table 29C.10 Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures

Objective of the Organization: To align United Nations human resources policies to better meet the evolving needs of the Organization

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat Indicators of achievement

- (a) Improved and modernized human resources policies, including harmonized policies across the United Nations common system, are formulated
- (a) Increase in the number of revised/amended administrative issuances, including issuances that harmonize policies across the common system

Performance measures

2010-2011: not available

Estimate 2012-2013: 18

Target 2014-2015: 19

(b) Improved processing of appeals and disciplinary cases

(b) Provide response to appeals and initiate action within 30 days

Performance measures

2010-2011: 100 per cent

Estimate 2012-2013: 100 per cent

Target 2014-2015: 100 per cent

External factors

29C.24 The Human Resources Policy Service is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that stakeholders will be supportive of the efforts of and will extend full cooperation to the Service.

Outputs

- 29C.25 During the biennium 2014-2015, the following final outputs will be delivered:
 - (a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget and extrabudgetary):
 - (i) Substantive servicing of meetings: approximately 30 meetings and 40 informal consultations of the Fifth Committee and approximately 20 meetings of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on human resources management issues, including conditions of service and compensation, policy development, monitoring of the delegation of authority and the internal justice system, as well as other matters related to the United Nations common system;
 - (ii) Parliamentary documentation: reports to the General Assembly on human resources management policy issues, as required, including the introduction or amendment of policies and practices; comprehensive review of the conditions of service of non-Secretariat officials, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and the two full-time members of ICSC; related analysis of the levels of related honorariums; amendments to the Staff Rules; and practice of the Secretary-General in disciplinary matters;
 - (b) Other substantive activities (regular budget, other assessed and extrabudgetary):
 - (i) Technical material: administrative issuances and information circulars; and promulgation of salary scales;
 - (ii) Contributions to meetings of the Advisory Committee on Post Adjustment Questions, of the High-level Committee on Management and Human Resources Network of CEB, and of ICSC;
 - (c) Administrative support services (regular budget, other assessed and extrabudgetary):
 - (i) Human resources policy advisory services:
 - a. Provision of advice to senior management of the Secretariat on implementation of human resources-related rules and policies;
 - b. Provision of human resources policy advice and interpretative guidance on the Staff Regulations and Rules and other human resources-related policies to managers and staff, including to other organizations of the United Nations

- common system, and in particular to the United Nations funds and programmes which are governed by the Staff Regulations of the United Nations;
- c. Review of approximately 20 human resources-related circulars (administrative issuances, information circulars, and guidelines) to streamline, consolidate and simplify, undertaken in consultation with the funds and programmes governed by the United Nations Staff Regulations;
- d. Provision of written and oral advice to executive officers and programme managers prior to their taking administrative decisions on human resources-related issues, with a view to ensuring that the Administration's position on such issues is consistent with applicable regulations, rules, policies, guidelines and practices;
- e. Development and implementation of new human resources policies and procedures to carry forward the work/life agenda, with special attention to family and gender issues;
- (ii) Handling of disciplinary cases and applications before the United Nations Dispute Tribunal:
 - a. Representing the Administration's position in relation to appeals cases at the first instance level in the internal justice system (United Nations Dispute Tribunal);
 - b. Handling all disciplinary cases in respect of the United Nations staff members, including the provision of legal advice in relation to cases of alleged misconduct referred to the Office of Human Resources Management for appropriate action;
 - c. Provision of support to human resources-related issues and proposed policies in relation to new administrative issuances relating to disciplinary processes;
- (iii) Common system, compensation and inter-agency policy:
 - a. Formulation of policies and procedures regarding salaries, pensions, allowances and other entitlements within the Organization; substantive participation in meetings of ICSC, the Advisory Committee on Post Adjustment Questions, the High-level Committee on Management, the Human Resources Network and other subsidiary bodies of CEB; and coordination of such policies and procedures with other organizations of the common system;
 - b. Monitoring of the implementation of policy instructions and guidelines related to allowances, and dissemination of information relating to salaries, allowances and other entitlements;
 - c. Conduct of salary surveys to determine salaries, allowances and other conditions of service for locally recruited staff members in the General Service and related category of staff working for the organizations of the United Nations common system worldwide; review, approval and promulgation of salary scales and allowances each year resulting from analysis of data collected in the course of comprehensive and interim salary surveys conducted for 168 duty stations;
 - d. Updating of the electronic database of all General Service and National Professional Officer salary scales and maintenance of the entitlement reference tables in the Integrated Management Information System; automated processing and transmission of salary survey data to other United Nations agencies and field duty stations; and implementation of emolument packages for all categories of staff:

- e. Conduct of annual training workshops on the non-Headquarters salary survey methodology and on job classification;
- f. Preparation and issuance of 20 salary survey reports each year for comparatoremployers participating in the United Nations salary surveys;
- g. Conduct of reviews of conditions of service of ungraded, high-level officials of the United Nations other than Secretariat officials, including members of the International Court of Justice and judges and ad litem judges of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, and the two full-time members of ICSC, and analysis of the level of related honorariums;
- h. Management of classification policy and provision of advice on job design and organizational structure; development and evaluation of generic job profiles, as needed; and review of classification appeals;
- i. Processing requests for classification and review of job descriptions.
- 29C.26 The distribution of resources for component 4 is reflected in table 29C.11 below.

Table 29C.11 Resource requirements: policy (component 1)

	Resources (thousands of U	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		
Category	2012-2013	2014-2015 (before recosting)	2012-2013	2014-2015
A. Regular budget				
Post	5 785.0	5 466.1	22	19
Non-post	676.7	627.1		
Subtotal	6 461.7	6 093.2	22	19
B. Other assessed	5 341.8	5 659.8	16	16
C. Extrabudgetary	2 108.7	2 313.5	6	7
Total	13 912.2	14 066.5	44	42

- 29C.27 The amount of \$6,093,200, reflecting a decrease of \$368,500, would provide for 19 posts (1 D-1, 4 P-5, 2 P-4, 4 P-3, 1 P-2, 2 General Service (Principal level) and 5 General Service (Other level)) (\$5,466,100), and operational requirements (\$676,700) comprising other staff costs, consultants, travel of staff, general operating expenses and supplies and materials, as shown in table 29C.11.
- 29C.28 The net reduction of \$368,500 is substantially reflected in table 29C.6, item 2, of the present report, "redistribution of workload and discontinuation of on-site x-ray services", and is in line with the report of the Secretary-General on the budget outline for 2014-2015. The total decrease of \$368,500 reflects the combined effect of the following:
 - (a) Net decrease of \$318,900 under posts resulting from the proposed abolishment of one General Service (Principal level) and one General Service (Other level), the outward redeployment of one P-2 post, offset in part by the delayed impact of two Legal Officer posts (P-3) in the biennium 2012-2013, approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 66/247;

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¹ In line with the report of the Secretary-General on the budget outline for 2014-2015, as reflected in table 29C.6, item 2.

- (b) Under non-post requirements, a decrease of \$49,600, comprising:
 - (i) A marginal decrease of \$6,600 under other staff costs, representing the substantial continuation of general temporary assistance provisions (\$286,100)² in lieu of the non-recurrent Legal Officer (P-3) position (\$292,700) that was approved by the General Assembly for the biennium 2012-2013. It is proposed to reprioritize resource requirements within other areas of the Office of Human Resources Management in order to continue this general temporary assistance to maintain the Office's legal assistance services related to cases before the United Nations Dispute Tribunal arising from staff at Headquarters and offices away from Headquarters;
 - (ii) Decrease of \$40,200 under travel of staff, reflecting the reduced number of trips planned;
 - (iii) Decrease of \$1,800 under general operating expenses, reflecting the removal of the onetime provisions related to the establishment of two new posts during the biennium 2012-2013;
 - (iv) Decrease of \$1,000 under supplies and materials, reflecting the removal of one-time provisions related to the establishment of two new posts during the biennium 2012-2013
- 29C.29 The regular budget resources would be complemented by other assessed and extrabudgetary funding in the amount of \$7,973,300, reflecting an increase of \$522,800 as compared with the biennium 2012-2013. This is derived from programme support income received as reimbursement for services provided by the central administration to extrabudgetary activities, funds and programmes, as well as from the support account for peacekeeping operations. Those resources would provide for 23 posts and other staff costs, as well as travel and other operating expenses to conduct worldwide salary surveys (including peacekeeping operations, as funded from the support account). These resources would also provide support for the processing of disciplinary cases emanating from peacekeeping operations and the handling of appeals from staff in peacekeeping operations being heard before the United Nations Dispute Tribunal. The resources will also be used to develop human resources policies in the area of conditions of service of staff in peacekeeping operations and to provide guidance on the implementation of these policies. The increase of \$522,800 reflects mainly lower vacancy rates for the existing complement of posts funded under the support account for peacekeeping operations, the impact of the application of the standard costs and the provision for one new General Service (Principal level) post to undertake salary survey activities.

Component 2 Strategic planning and staffing

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$12,073,500

- 29C.30 This component of subprogramme 3 is the responsibility of the Strategic Planning and Staffing Division of the Office of Human Resources Management. The programme of activities will be implemented in accordance with the strategy detailed under subprogramme 3, Human resources management, of programme 25, Management and support services, of the biennial programme plan for the period 2014-2015.
- 29C.31 The component supports the ongoing reform efforts of the Secretary-General aimed at the development of a global, dynamic and adaptable workforce, as guided by the General Assembly in its resolutions 61/244, 63/250, 65/247 and 67/255.

Table 29C.12 Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures

Objective of the Organization: To foster the sound management of human resources and cultural change in the Organization

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat Indicators of achievement

(a) Improved recruitment, placement and promotion of the best qualified and competent staff, as well as facilitation of greater geographical representation and gender balance of staff

(a) (i) Reduction in the number of unrepresented and underrepresented Member States in the Secretariat through recruitment of candidates from those States for regular budget posts, if they prove to be the best qualified and competent personnel

Performance measures

(Increase of applications from unrepresented and underrepresented Member States who applied as a result of outreach activities of the Office of Human Resources Management)

2010-2011: not available

Estimate 2012-2013: 100 applicants

Target 2014-2015: 200 applicants

(ii) Increased placement of candidates successful in the young professionals programme examination from unrepresented and underrepresented Member States to P-1 and P-2 positions in the Secretariat

Performance measures

(Placement of successful candidates)

2010-2011: not applicable

Estimate 2012-2013: 85 per cent

Target 2014-2015: 90 per cent

(iii) Reduction in the average number of days from the date of issuance of vacancy announcements to the date of selection for all regular vacancies advertised

Performance measures

2010-2011: 210 days

Estimate 2012-2013: 190 days

Target 2014-2015: 180 days

(iv) Increased percentage of female staff in the regular budget posts in the Professional and higher categories

Performance measures

2010-2011: not applicable

Estimate 2012-2013: 2 per cent increase

Target 2014-2015: 2 per cent increase

(b) Availability of reports to the Security Council, the General Assembly and other intergovernmental bodies to enable fully informed decisions (b) Member States have access to dynamic online reports on human resources information

Performance measures

2010-2011: 100 per cent available

Estimate 2012-2013: 100 per cent available

Target 2014-2015: 100 per cent available

(c) Increased efficiency and effectiveness of operations

(c) Availability of the human resources management scorecard tool to all departments and offices, with strategic operational targets and built-in progress reports to monitor success in achieving those targets

Performance measures

2010-2011: not applicable

Estimate 2012-2013: 100 per cent

Target 2014-2015: 100 per cent

(d) Facilitated voluntary mobility in compliance with relevant General Assembly resolutions

(d) Number of voluntary movements

Performance measures

(Increase in voluntary changes of duty station of one year or more)

2010-2011: 1,540 moves per year

Estimate 2012-2013: 5 per cent increase

(1,617 moves per year)

Target 2014-2015: 5 per cent increase

(1,690 moves per year)

External factors

29C.32 The Strategic Planning and Staffing Division is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that stakeholders will be supportive of the efforts of and will extend full cooperation to the Division.

Outputs

- 29C.33 During the biennium 2014-2015, the following final outputs will be delivered:
 - (a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget, other assessed and extrabudgetary):
 - (i) Substantive servicing of meetings: approximately 30 formal meetings and 40 informal consultations of the Fifth Committee and approximately 20 meetings of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on issues related to human resources planning, filling of vacancies, monitoring of delegation of authority and management of information;
 - (ii) Parliamentary documentation: periodic reports on aspects of human resources management reform and other aspects of the use of human resources as required; periodic reports on the composition of the Secretariat staff demographics, the status of vacancies, the use of consultants and retirees, gratis personnel and other aspects of the use of human resources as required; conference room papers and additional information on human resources management topics, such as planning, the contractual status of personnel, gender balance, geographical representation and the hiring and separation of staff, as required;
 - (b) Administrative support services (regular budget, other assessed and extrabudgetary):
 - (i) Human resources planning, monitoring and reporting:
 - a. Human resources management scorecard reporting for 70 entities, including the Management Performance Board;
 - b. Provision of guidance to 70 entities on the exercise of delegated authority for human resources management, including through mission support visits;
 - c. Reports on the composition of the Secretariat, including staff demographics;
 - d. Online reports for Member States on human resources information, including support for 400 users in the permanent missions;
 - e. Ad hoc reporting on human resources information, including in response to requests from Member States and programme managers;

(ii) Staffing support:

- a. Participating and, in close coordination with departments, conducting strategic recruitment exercises through a targeted proactive approach (e.g., building rosters of language staff for the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management; rosters of specialists in humanitarian coordination with the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs; electoral rosters with the Department of Political Affairs; military campaigns with the Department of Peacekeeping Operations; and other departments);
- b. Issuance of job openings (on average, for 1,000 Professional and General Service positions) and review of applications;
- c. Screening of up to 45,000 applications per year for competitive recruitment examinations at the P-2/P-1 level and administration of examinations for up to 5,000 candidates in approximately 55 to 65 countries per year in 6 to 8 occupational groups;

- d. Administration of annual competitive examinations for promotion recruitment from the General Service and related categories to the Professional category for approximately 600 applicants in 12 occupational groups in nearly 20 examination centres;
- e. Administration of approximately 10 examinations annually, in all official languages, for approximately 5,000 applicants for posts at the P-2, P-3 and senior General Service levels requiring special language competence; coordination of examination centres for up to 1,000 candidates in approximately 25 centres;
- f. Servicing of the central review bodies at Headquarters and the central review board at the regional commissions (approximately 175 to 200 meetings annually); and Secretariat-wide training, consultations and provision of guidance and advice to central review bodies globally;
- g. Recruitment of candidates (600), and senior appointments, including, in particular, candidates that improve the gender and geographic balance in the Secretariat;
- h. Review, approval and grading for recruitment of all staff in the General Service and related categories at Headquarters and for approximately 25 support staff each year for the United Nations information centres;
- i. Centrally managed placement of approximately 130 to 180 candidates per year who have passed young professionals examinations;
- j. Conduct of 800 to 1,000 background screening exercises to verify academic qualifications and employment of external candidates, including review and provision of reasoned recommendations on requests for clearance of candidates for human resources and/or administrative functions;
- k. Recruitment and placement of candidates for language-related positions, through approximately 9 to 10 language examinations, which results in the placement of up to 100 candidates on the respective rosters, as well as participation as the representative of the Office at interviews for competitive language examinations, and language coordinator and language teacher examinations;
- 1. Conduct of Inspira-user training programmes (between 25 and 50 sessions annually) on the staff selection system for staff and managers (including staff from Headquarters and offices away from Headquarters for purposes of capacity-building), as well as briefing of delegates;
- m. Further development and refinement of policies and procedures to support recruitment, placement and promotion, including improvements to online talent management tools, with particular focus on reducing the staffing timeline to achieve the 120-working day target;
- n. Streamlining of procedures and processes, and further strengthening of information technology support systems, for recruitment, placement and promotion;
- o. Review of applications (approximately 7,000 annually) and administration of tests at Headquarters for recruitment of General Service staff (clerical, statistical and accounting positions, editorial assistants and security officers) for an estimated 1,500 candidates annually; and recruitment of approximately 500 staff members in this category each year;

(iii) Outreach:

- a. Conducting searches for qualified candidates, with particular attention to improving geographical representation and gender balance, by conducting targeted campaigns, participating in job fairs, and conducting recruitment missions to Member States;
- b. Developing more proactive outreach and sourcing strategies, including ongoing cooperative arrangements with external candidate providers and networks, such as continuous contact with governmental entities, academic institutions, non-governmental organizations and United Nations entities, to conduct targeted searches for candidates from unrepresented and underrepresented Member States and for female candidates;
- c. Conduct of six to eight outreach missions each year to unrepresented and underrepresented Member States to identify prospective candidates for recruitment, including female candidates, as well as outreach efforts to institutions to promote awareness of employment opportunities in the Secretariat;
- d. For departments in all duty stations, support to the management of the internship programme and provision of advice and decisions on policies and processes related to the engagement of interns. There are over 30,000 applications per year for internships and approximately 800 to 900 interns are selected each year.
- 29C.34 The distribution of resources for component 2 is reflected in table 29C.13 below.

Table 29C.13 Resource requirements: strategic planning and staffing (component 2)

	Resources (thousands of U	Posts		
Category	2012-2013	2014-2015 (before recosting)	2012-2013	2014-2015
A. Regular budget				
Post	11 710.1	11 103.0	46	43
Non-post	1 039.6	970.5		
Subtotal	12 749.7	12 073.5	46	43
B. Other assessed	2 443.6	2 471.4	7	7
C. Extrabudgetary	901.3	996.2	_	-
Total	16 094.6	15 541.1	53	50

- 29C.35 Regular budget resources in the amount of \$12,073,500, reflecting a decrease of \$676,200, would provide for the continuation of 43 posts (1 D-2, 2 D-1, 4 P-5, 7 P-4, 4 P-3, 4 P-2, 1 General Service (Principal level) and 20 General Service (Other level)) (\$11,103,000) and the operational requirements (\$970,500) comprising other staff costs, consultants, travel of staff, contractual services, general operating expenses and supplies and materials, as shown in table 29C.13.
- 29C.36 The reduction of \$607,100 under posts in line with the report of the Secretary-General on the budget outline for 2014-2015, as reflected in table 29C.6, item 1, "use of computer technology to automate manual work processes", is related to the proposed abolishment of one Human Resources Officer post (P-3) and two General Service (Other level) posts. The decrease of \$69,100 under non-post requirements results from the reduction of requirements under other staff costs for general temporary assistance (\$30,800), consultants (\$4,500), travel of staff owing to a reduced

number of trips planned (\$32,200), general operating expenses (\$600) and supplies and materials (\$1,000).

29C.37 The regular budget resources would be complemented by further funding of \$3,467,600 derived from programme support income received as reimbursement for services provided by the central administration to extrabudgetary activities, funds and programmes, as well as from the support account for peacekeeping operations. Those resources, reflecting an increase of \$122,700 in comparison with such funding for the biennium 2012-2013, would finance seven posts, other staff costs, and other operating expenses, predominantly in order to provide for the administration of relevant human resources management tasks in support of the peacekeeping staff, and for guidance and advice on the implementation of human resources policies and operational procedures. The resources in support of the extrabudgetary administrative activities would be used to fund the costs related to the administration of language proficiency exams provided to funds and programmes, specialized agencies and other United Nations entities.

Component 3 Learning, development and human resources services

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$40,031,700

- This component of subprogramme 3 is the responsibility of the Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division of the Office of Human Resources Management. The programme of activities will be implemented in accordance with the strategy detailed under subprogramme 3, Human resources management, of programme 25, Management and support services, of the biennial programme plan for the period 2014-2015.
- 29C.39 The Division will focus on developing the current and future human resources of the Organization by providing effective human resources management services and strengthening the integration of the core and managerial competencies into all human resources systems.

Table 29C.14 Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures

Objective of the Organization: To promote organizational culture change in the Secretariat in order to address new requirements and needs

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement		
(a) Improved ability of current staff to implement mandates	(a) (i) Increase in the total number of training and learning opportunities undertaken by individual staff members		
	Performance measures		
	(Number of participants in learning and career development programmes)		
	2010-2011: 56,681		
	Estimate 2012-2013: 57,230		
	Target 2014-2015: 59,460		

(ii) Increased percentage of staff members benefiting from the minimum target of five days' training per year

Performance measures

2010-2011: not available

Estimate 2012-2013: 50 per cent

Target 2014-2015: 60 per cent

(b) Improved career development and staff support

(b) (i) Increased number of staff members participating in career development and staff support programmes offered through career resource centres

Performance measures

2010-2011: 3,223

Estimate 2012-2013: 4,000

Target 2014-2015: 4,500

(ii) Increased percentage of participating staff members who recognize the positive contribution of career development and staff support programmes

Performance measures

2010-2011: 82 per cent

Estimate 2012-2013: 85 per cent

Target 2014-2015: 88 per cent

(iii) Increased percentage of departments and offices expressing satisfaction with advice and support provided by the Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division

Performance measures

2010-2011: not available

Estimate 2012-2013: 70 per cent

Target 2014-2015: 75 per cent

(c) Improved implementation of staff emergency preparedness plans and training programmes by departments/offices (c) Increase in the number of staff members in the roster for family focal points/call centre volunteers

Performance measures

2010-2011: not available

Estimate 2012-2013: 120

Target 2014-2015: 250

External factors

29C.40 The Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that stakeholders will be supportive of the efforts of, and will extend full cooperation to the Division.

Outputs

- 29C.41 During the biennium 2014-2015, the following outputs will be delivered:
 - (a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget and other assessed):
 - (i) Substantive servicing of meetings: approximately 30 meetings and 40 informal consultations of the Fifth Committee and approximately 20 meetings of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on human resources management issues, in particular staff development and learning, performance management, career development and mobility, and human resources administration including emergency preparedness and support;
 - (ii) Parliamentary documentation: periodic reports on aspects of human resources management reform, in particular on aspects of staff and career development, conference room papers and additional information on human resources topics, such as staff development, mobility and human resources administration, including emergency preparedness and support;
 - (b) Administrative support services (regular budget, other assessed and extrabudgetary):
 - (i) Staff development: the following programmes will be delivered Secretariat-wide:
 - a. Leadership, management and organizational development: an integrated series of managerial development programmes will be offered Secretariat-wide to build and sustain the leadership and managerial capacity of the Organization at the senior, middle and junior levels and to promote a responsive, results-oriented culture that supports continuous learning, high performance, creativity and managerial excellence. The Secretariat-wide activities in 2014-2015 will include:
 - A leadership and management development training programme for staff at the P-4 to D-2 levels, recruited for or promoted to managerial positions for approximately 750 participants and participation of senior leaders in the senior leadership programme of the United Nations System Staff College for staff at the Director and Assistant Secretary-General levels (60 participants);
 - ii. Organizational development programmes, to strengthen leadership and management at the departmental/office level for approximately 100 participants;

- iii. Programmes to foster a common understanding of, and strengthen commitment to, the United Nations fundamental principles of ethics, integrity and accountability, for approximately 2,700 participants;
- iv. Development programmes to build essential skills and competencies for General Service staff in such areas as communication, teamwork, client orientation and professional efficiency, for approximately 1,500 participants;
- v. Supervisory skills programmes to develop the communication skills and supervisory abilities of staff at various levels who have assumed supervisory responsibilities, for approximately 3,080 participants;
- vi. Programmes to build collaborative negotiation and workplace conflict resolution skills for staff at all levels, for approximately 1,600 participants;
- vii. Programmes to promote diversity awareness and cross-cultural sensitivity, for approximately 300 participants;
- viii. Team-based programmes to support teams in working more effectively in the areas of communication, increased trust and collaboration, planning, problem-solving and decision-making, for approximately 1,900 participants;
- ix. Programmes to streamline best practices and principles in the competency-based interviewing and selection process for members of recruitment panels, for approximately 1,500 participants;
- x. Programmes to strengthen and enhance the ability of work groups and teams to provide efficient and effective service to clients, for approximately 600 participants;
- xi. Programmes to improve the capacity of staff to design, plan, implement and assess projects (including technical cooperation projects) effectively, for approximately 500 participants;
- xii. Targeted programmes to support managers in effectively managing performance, including the development of performance indicators, as well as coaching, provision of feedback for improved performance and implementation of mandatory performance management training for managers and supervisors, for approximately 4,500 participants; support for global e-performance users will continue;
- b. Human and financial resources management: programmes will be offered to improve the competencies, knowledge and skills of programme managers and staff with administrative responsibilities. The activities for 2014-2015 will include:
 - i. Programmes for executive officers, human resources professionals and other administrative and finance staff, covering principles and developments in new United Nations human resources management including the use of Inspira; provision of e-learning programmes in finance, accounting, budget and administrative systems and processes, for approximately 800 participants;
 - In coordination with the Procurement Division, continued provision of e-learning programmes for staff involved in procurement, covering the principles of the United Nations procurement process and procedures, for approximately 100 participants;

- iii. Programmes to promote and support the well-being of staff members and their families, including for example, the development of skills to deal with stress, crises and difficult work situations, for approximately 1,100 participants;
- c. Information technology training: information technology training programmes are offered to support the Secretary-General's information and communications technology strategy by upgrading the level of skills of Secretariat staff in using the software applications of the Organization and by providing staff with the knowledge and skills to manage information more effectively and efficiently. The Secretariat-wide information technology training activities for 2014-2015 include:
 - i. Continuation of the decentralized technical skills development programme, which supports departmental information technology initiatives and offers technical staff the opportunity to upgrade and update their information technology skills (approximately 1,200 participants);
 - ii. Programmes related to the use of the Integrated Management Information System, for approximately 100 participants;
 - iii. Continued expansion of the online learning environment, including selfpaced e-learning courses through the United Nations e-learning portal, for approximately 6,000 participants;
 - iv. Programmes to improve the performance of staff in their use of Organization-wide software applications, including certification in the International Computer Driving License and programmes for departmental technical focal points, for approximately 6,000 participants;
- d. Language and communication programmes: in accordance with General Assembly resolutions 2480 B (XXIII), 43/224 D and 50/11, the Organization provides language training in the six official languages of the United Nations. Programmes are aimed at promoting multilingualism by building and strengthening linguistic skills and developing and strengthening cross-cultural understanding. The Headquarters activities for the biennium 2014-2015 will include:
 - i. Core training programmes in the six official languages, as well as specialized courses, to maintain and develop advanced language skills, including in such areas as conducting meetings, drafting reports and correspondence, and making presentations, in particular in the working languages of the Organization. At Headquarters, programmes will be available for approximately 7,500 participants;
 - ii. Management of the self-study, online processes, including comprehensive language learning websites and other alternative learning modes that provide staff with the opportunity to develop their linguistic and communication skills through the use of audio, video and multimedia materials;
 - iii. Harmonization of language and communication programmes across all duty stations through provision of advisory services, regular consultations, pedagogical and technical assistance;
 - iv. Preparation and grading of language proficiency examinations for approximately 7,200 participants;

- e. Substantive skills development and career support: programmes will be offered to support career development, including initiatives stemming from implementation of the Organization's mobility policy for staff at all levels in all duty stations and to provide opportunities for staff to update and upgrade substantive skills. The Secretariat-wide activities for 2014-2015 will include:
 - i. Orientation programmes to introduce newly recruited staff at Headquarters to the mandate, organizational structure, policies, professional standards and working environment of the United Nations Secretariat, for approximately 700 participants;
 - ii. Provision of an orientation programme for newly appointed senior leaders in the Secretariat at the Under-Secretary-General and Assistant Secretary-General levels, including briefings and provision of specially created documentations, for approximately 20 participants;
 - iii. Continued development and implementation of an e-learning induction programme for new staff members, with additional modules for staff at the level of Director:
 - iv. Specialized orientation and career development programmes for young professional staff (P-1/P-2), for approximately 300 participants;
 - v. Mentoring programmes for young professional staff and provision of training and ongoing support for mentors and mentees, for approximately 300 participants;
 - vi. Increased access for staff to career development services for more than 4,500 participants;
 - vii. Programmes to increase staff mobility through the provision of systematic support for staff and their families;
 - viii. Continuation of programmes aiming at raising awareness on flexible working arrangements;
 - ix. Continuation of the substantive skills development programme, which offers staff the opportunity to upgrade and update their substantive skills, as well as opportunities for professional growth. The programme operates in a decentralized manner, on the basis of annual departmental needs assessments conducted in collaboration with the Office of Human Resources Management, for approximately 4,500 participants;
 - x. The annual sabbatical studies programme and the International Organization Studies Workshop, which provide a selected number of staff with the opportunity to carry out research at academic institutions, in areas of benefit to both the staff member and the Organization, for approximately 50 participants;
- (ii) Staff administration at Headquarters:
 - a. Provision of advice and assistance to management and staff on all aspects of human resources management and staff administration (about 30,000, including by e-mail, telephone and in person);
 - b. Provision of advice to permanent missions and various outside organizations on various human resources issues;

- c. Administration of staff in accordance with the Staff Regulations and Rules: recruitment of approximately 1,000 staff under fixed-term and temporary appointments at Headquarters each year; separation, termination, including agreed termination and disability;
- d. Administration of benefits and entitlements of individual staff (education grant: 780 staff members; rental subsidy: 840 staff members; and dependency status: 3,850 staff members);
- e. Induction of approximately 600 staff members per year on initial appointment to advise them of their obligations under the Staff Regulations and Rules;
- f. Oversight of the processing by departments and offices of approximately 1,000 special service agreements annually for consultants and individual contractors;
- g. Streamlining procedures and delivery of human resources services to management and staff in the context of the introduction of Umoja;
- h. Maintenance of official status files of staff at Headquarters (in excess of 14,000 files);
- (iii) Strengthen emergency preparedness mechanisms:
 - a. Improving preparedness at duty stations and country offices for responding to mass casualty incidents through training of 200 to 250 staff members across seven duty stations annually to provide immediate on-site response as first responders;
 - b. Developing and implementing standardized preparedness guidelines regarding mass casualty incident planning, including, inter alia:
 - i. An emergency support toolkit, handbooks and user-friendly guidelines containing important information for survivors and families;
 - ii. Reliable systems of information and assistance to post-incident focal points, particularly in the medium and long term;
 - iii. Materials to address the special needs of certain groups, for example, women, the elderly, children, and others with special needs;
 - c. Creating a centralized roster of standby response teams (family focal points, family support teams and United Nations Medical Emergency Response Team, stress counsellors and regional facilities available for initial response, and monitoring and provision of support for duty stations in the evaluation and testing of their emergency medical preparedness plans in three locations annually;
 - d. Updating and maintaining communication tools such as e-rooms/e-portal and websites through which survivors and assigned focal points (family focal points and family support teams) will be able to facilitate the updating of shared information. These tools will also enable the sharing of information and the tracking of claims by survivors and family members and provide a means by which the Organization can communicate necessary information;
 - e. Training and briefing sessions for managers and staff, both at Headquarters and in the field, with respect to the provision of assistance to survivors and family members in the aftermath of emergencies;
 - f. Coordinating efforts with other Secretariat and inter-agency groups responsible for examining and developing policies that affect survivors and family members (e.g.,

the High-level Committee on Management and Human Resources Network of CEB), including enhanced support within the context of "expanded care" to staff and survivors.

29C.42 The distribution of resources for component 3 is reflected in table 29C.15 below.

Table 29C.15 Resource requirements: learning, development and human resources services (component 3)

	Resources (thousands of U	Posts		
Category	2012-2013	2014-2015 (before recosting)	2012-2013	2014-2015
A. Regular budget				
Post	16 417.7	15 996.9	67	66
Non-post	23 546.9	24 034.8		
Subtotal	39 964.6	40 031.7	67	66
B. Other assessed	2 460.4	2 718.4	7	7
C. Extrabudgetary	1 075.4	1 198.2	1	1
Total	43 500.4	43 948.3	75	74

Regular budget resources in the amount of \$40,031,700, reflecting an increase of \$67,100, would provide for 66 posts (1 D-2, 1 D-1, 5 P-5, 10 P-4, 8 P-3, 5 P-2, 4 General Service (Principal level) and 32 General Service (Other level)) (\$15,996,900), 3 temporary posts (2 P-4 and 1 General Service (Other level)), and operational requirements (\$24,034,800) comprising other staff costs, travel of staff and contractual services, including training resources for staff development and training programmes, and other general operating requirements, shown in table 29C.15 above.

29C.44 The net increase of \$67,100, reflects the combined effect of the following:

- (a) Decrease of \$420,800 under posts resulting from the proposed outward redeployment of one P-5 post to the Inspira team in the Human Resources Information Systems Section (component 5);
- (b) Net decrease of \$566,400 under contractual services, related to reduced requirements for staff development and training programmes (\$821,800) owing to efforts to offer blended learning approaches, which would reduce contractual services requirements. This is reflected in table 29C.6, item 3, "reduction of service level agreement with the Office of Information and Communications Technology", and is in line with the report of the Secretary-General on the budget outline for the biennium 2014-2015. The reduction is offset in part by the inward redeployment of Emergency Preparedness and Support team resources to train family focal points and family support teams to serve as "first responders" in situ (\$255,400);
- (c) Increase of \$1,032,500 under other staff costs, due to the proposed inward redeployment of four general temporary assistance positions (1 P-5, 1 P-4, 1 P-2 and 1 General Service (Other level)) related to the Emergency Preparedness and Support team;
- (d) Increase of \$21,800 under general operating expenses for communication costs (\$12,200) and supplies and materials requirements (\$9,600), reflecting the proposed inward redeployment of non-post resources related to the Emergency Preparedness and Support team.
- 29C.45 The regular budget resources would be complemented by further funding of \$3,916,600, reflecting an increase of \$380,800, as compared to such funding for the biennium 2012-2013, derived from programme support income received as reimbursement for services provided by the central

administration to extrabudgetary activities, funds and programmes, as well as other assessed resources from the support account for peacekeeping operations. Those resources would provide funding for eight posts, other staff costs, consultants, travel of staff and other operating expenses, and would provide for the promotion of language training and assistance with visa and host country-related issues; provision of guidance on various human resources related issues with respect to staff members in field operations; including performance management guidance and support for the global e-performance tool. The increase of \$380,800 reflects mainly lower vacancy rates for the existing complement of posts funded under the support account for peacekeeping operations and the impact of the application of the standard costs.

Component 4 Medical services

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$6,393,800

- 29C.46 This component of subprogramme 3 is the responsibility of the Medical Services Division of the Office of Human Resources Management. The programme of activities will be implemented in accordance with the strategy detailed under subprogramme 3, Human resources management, of programme 25, Management and support services, of the biennial programme plan for the period 2014-2015.
- 29C.47 The Division will focus on improving access to and provision of occupational health services to New York-based staff of the United Nations system, including its funds, programmes and agencies. It will remain committed to ensuring improvement in its services for promoting staff health and medical compatibility with job requirements through the review of medical examinations.

Table 29C.16 Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures

Objective of the Organization: To ensure that all staff members, including those in the field, are fit to carry out their duties

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat Indicators of achievement

- (a) Access for staff to adequate health-care services worldwide, including rapid and effective medical response to workplace accidents and illness
- (a) (i) Increased number of clients surveyed who responded, expressing satisfaction with services rendered

Performance measures

2010-2011: 94 per cent

Estimate 2012-2013: 95 per cent

Target 2014-2015: 95 per cent

(ii) Maintenance of within 5-day response time for requests for medical clearance

Performance measures

(Average number of days to respond to requests for medical clearance)

2010-2011: 5 days

Estimate 2012-2013: 5 days

Target 2014-2015: 5 days

(iii) Maintenance of within 1-day response time for requests for medical evacuations

Performance measures

2010-2011: 1 day

Estimate 2012-2013: 1 day

Target 2014-2015: 1 day

(iv) Increase in the number of duty stations with a medical component in mass casualty incident plans appropriate to local risks

Performance measures

2010-2011: zero

Estimate 2012-2013: 6 duty stations

Target 2014-2015: 12 duty stations

(b) Increased awareness of staff regarding personal health and disease prevention

(b) Increased number of staff participation in health promotion activities

Performance measures

2010-2011: 27,700 staff

Estimate 2012-2013: 28,000 staff

Target 2014-2015: 28,500 staff

(c) Improved management, support and monitoring of United Nations health-care services worldwide

(c) Improved level of satisfaction expressed by field medical staff regarding advice and support provided

Performance measures

2010-2011: not available

Estimate 2011-2012: not available

Target 2014-2015: baseline of level of field staff satisfaction to be established

External factors

29C.48 The Medical Services Division is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that stakeholders will be supportive and extend full cooperation, and that national institutions will be supportive of efforts to improve local medical conditions at United Nations field locations.

Outputs

- 29C.49 During the biennium 2014-2015, the following outputs will be delivered (regular budget, other assessed and extrabudgetary):
 - (a) Health services (for New York-based staff of the United Nations and its funds and programmes):
 - (i) Medical examinations and consultations;
 - (ii) Travel health advisories and immunizations;
 - (iii) Diagnostic procedures: laboratory analyses;
 - (iv) Health awareness and health promotion programmes;
 - (v) Staff counselling services (for New York-based staff of the United Nations and its funds and programmes):
 - a. Mental health and psychological consultations;
 - b. Pre-mission psychological assessments;
 - c. Mission readiness and wellness programme;
 - d. HIV/AIDS in the workplace training programme;
 - e. Contribution to the development of staff welfare policies related to mental health and psychosocial well-being;
 - (b) Medico-administrative services (for staff of the United Nations, including peacekeeping operations, and its funds and programmes):
 - (i) Review and classification of incoming medical examination reports and provision of medical clearances for recruitment, reassignment, peacekeeping assignments and mission travel;
 - (ii) Management of medical evacuation and medical repatriation of field staff;
 - (iii) Certification of extended sick leave cases beyond decentralized authority;
 - (iv) Recommendations on special dependency benefit and special education grant cases;
 - (v) Recommendations to the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund on system-wide cases for disability benefits;
 - (vi) Recommendations to the Advisory Board on Compensation Claims and to the Department of Field Support on system-wide cases of work-related injury/illness/death;

- (c) Field-related services:
 - (i) Recommendations on the establishment of new United Nations health facilities in hardship duty stations and provision on ongoing technical support;
 - (ii) On-site assessment of local medical facilities in field duty stations and regional medical evacuation centres:
 - (iii) Review of the medical ratings of duty stations for ICSC;
 - (iv) Recruitment of medical personnel for the United Nations medical clinics in peacekeeping and Department of Political Affairs missions; and technical clearance of candidates for United Nations dispensaries;
- (d) Business continuity, public health and medical emergency preparedness:
 - (i) Compliance with stockpile requirements as documented in United Nations Medical Services Division guidelines that pertain to adverse health events;
 - (ii) Training of all field medical personnel and members of the Crisis Management Team/Security Management Team for medical and public health emergencies and mass casualty incident preparedness response;
 - (iii) Development of guidelines and protocols for duty stations to manage outbreaks of infectious diseases, influenza pandemics, environmental health hazards, and other public health hazards;
 - (iv) Implementation of provider-initiated HIV testing and counselling services among United Nations medical facilities worldwide, so that more staff are aware of their HIV status;
 - (v) Strengthening of the emergency preparedness mechanism:
 - a. Improving preparedness at duty stations and country offices for responding to mass casualty incidents through training of 200 to 250 staff members across seven duty stations annually to provide immediate on-site response as first responders;
 - b. Creating and maintaining a centralized roster of standby United Nations Medical Emergency Response Team and regional facilities available for initial response, and monitoring and provision of support for duty stations in the evaluation and testing of their emergency medical preparedness plans in three locations annually;
- (e) Enhancement and expansion of the occupational health information management system (EarthMed):
 - (i) Implementation of EarthMed in offices away from Headquarters, including peacekeeping missions;
 - (ii) Enhancement and improvement of general functions and navigability of EarthMed by implementing a new release of the system.

29C.50 The distribution of resources for component 4 is reflected in table 29C.17 below.

Table 29C.17	Resource red	auirements:	medical	services ((component 4)

	Resources (thousands of U	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		
Category	2012-2013	2014-2015 (before recosting)	2012-2013	2014-2015
A. Regular budget				
Post	4 447.1	4 291.3	18	17
Non-post	1 490.2	2 102.5		
Subtotal	5 937.3	6 393.8	18	17
B. Other assessed	3 966.4	4 107.2	14	13
C. Extrabudgetary	2 725.8	2 746.6	11	11
Total	12 629.5	13 247.6	43	41

- 29C.51 Regular budget resources in the amount of \$6,393,800, reflecting a net increase of \$456,500, would provide for 17 posts (1 D-2, 1 D-1, 1 P-5, 1 P-4, 2 P-3, 1 General Service (Principal level) and 10 General Service (Other level)) (\$4,291,300) and the operational requirements (\$2,102,500), comprising other staff costs, travel of staff, contractual services and other various operating requirements, as shown in table 29C.17.
- 29C.52 The net increase of \$456,500 reflects the combined effect of the following:
 - (a) Decrease of \$155,800 under posts, representing the proposed abolishment of one General Service (Other level) post, resulting from the discontinuation of radiological procedures, in line with the report of the Secretary-General on the budget outline for the biennium 2014-2015, as reflected in table 29C.6, item 2 of the present report;
 - (b) Net increase of \$294,300 under other staff costs resulting from the proposed inward redeployment of one general temporary assistance position (P-5) from the Emergency Preparedness and Support team, offset in part by the discontinuation of ophthalmologist, radiologist and backup services of an X-ray technician;²
 - (c) Net increase of \$318,000 under various non-post resources, attributable mainly to the inward redeployment of resources related to Emergency Preparedness and Support team functions for travel of staff (\$116,100) and training requirements under contractual services (\$255,400), an increase owing to the contribution to the costs of the United Nations Medical Directors' Working Group secretariat, which is provided by the Medical Service of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (\$16,000), offset by a decrease under various operating requirements (\$69,500).
- 29C.53 The regular budget resources would be complemented by further funding of \$6,853,800 derived from programme support income received as reimbursement for services provided by the central administration to extrabudgetary activities, funds and programmes, as well as from the support account for peacekeeping operations. Those resources, reflecting an increase of \$161,600 in comparison with such funding for the biennium 2012-2013, would provide funding for 24 posts, other staff costs, travel of staff, contractual services, equipment and other general operating expenses and would be used for: (a) the provision of advice and technical and professional support to the functioning of the entire mission medical support system to maintain standards, consistency and an acceptable level of health services delivery; and (b) the provision of services to promote the physical and mental health of staff worldwide of the United Nations funds and programmes. The increase of \$161,600 reflects mainly lower vacancy rates and the impact of the application of

increased standard costs for the existing complement of posts funded under the support account for peacekeeping operations, offset in part by the reduction of one General Service (Other level) post.

Component 5 Human resources information systems

Resource requirements (before recosting): \$7,118,500

- 29C.54 This component of subprogramme 3 is the responsibility of the Human Resources Information Systems Section of the Office of Human Resources Management. The programme of activities will be implemented in accordance with the strategy detailed under subprogramme 3, Human resources management, of programme 25, Management and support services, of the biennial programme plan for the period 2014-2015.
- 29C.55 In working towards the objective of the subprogramme, the Section will continue to develop and improve information systems to support the implementation of United Nations human resources reforms, including agreement with the Umoja team on the integration between the two systems.

Table 29C.18 Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures

Objective of the Organization: To ensure that information and communications technology systems of the Office of Human Resources Management support human resources functions and enable the effective and efficient functioning of the Organization

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat Indicators of achievement

- (a) Improved implementation of human resources information technology systems, data warehousing and reporting tools
- (a) (i) Reduction in the average number of hours to respond to requests for human resources information systems support

Performance measures

(Average number of hours to respond to requests for human resources information systems support by the Inspira Support Centre)

2010-2011: 72 hours

Estimate 2012-2013: 48 hours

Target 2014-2015: 24 hours

(ii) Implement all Inspira modules, including recruitment, performance management, learning, reporting, mobility and general human resources administration, and enhanced operational and management reporting

Performance measures

2010-2011: not available

Estimate 2012-2013: not available

Target 2014-2015: 100 per cent

External factors

29C.56 The objectives and expected accomplishments under human resources information systems are expected to be achieved on the assumption that stakeholders will be supportive of the efforts and will extend full cooperation to the Office of Human Resources Management, including a vendor meeting its obligation under the talent management contract.

Outputs

- 29C.57 During the biennium 2014-2015, the following final outputs will be delivered (regular budget and other assessed):
 - (a) Maintenance and production support for Inspira, the talent management system, including the careers portal and "My HR Online", through the Inspira Support Centre, Bangkok;
 - (b) Enhancements to the recruitment module of Inspira;
 - (c) Enhancements to the learning management module of Inspira;
 - (d) Enhancements to the performance management module of Inspira;
 - (e) Enhancements to the position management module of Inspira;
 - (f) Enhancements to the business intelligence (reporting) system;
 - (g) Provision of help desk support for Integrated Management Information System human resources queries.
- 29C.58 The distribution of resources for subprogramme 5 is reflected in table 29C.19 below.

Table 29C.19 Resource requirements: human resources information systems (component 5)

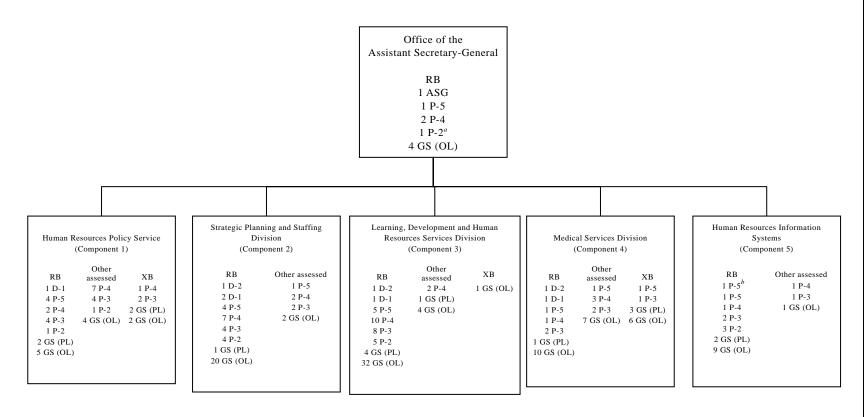
	Resources (thousands of U	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		
Category	2012-2013	2014-2015 (before recosting)	2012-2013	2014-2015
A. Regular budget				
Post	3 879.7	4 300.5	18	19
Non-post	3 187.8	2 818.0		
Subtotal	7 067.5	7 118.5	18	19
B. Other assessed	8 043.8	9 114.0	3	3
Total	15 111.3	16 232.5	21	22

- 29C.59 Regular budget resources in the amount of \$7,118,500, reflecting an increase of \$51,000, would provide for 19 posts (2 P-5, 1 P-4, 2 P-3, 3 P-2, 2 General Service (Principal level) and 9 General Service (Other level)), including 3 temporary posts (1 P-4, 1 P-2 and 1 General Service (Other level)) (\$4,300,500) and operational requirements (\$2,818,000) comprising other staff costs, travel, contractual services, including service level agreements for information technology services for the Office as a whole, and other general operating requirements, as shown in table 29C.19. The net increase of \$51,000, as compared with the biennium 2012-2013, reflects the combined effect of the following:
 - (a) An increase of \$420,800 under posts, representing the proposed inward redeployment of one P-5 post from the Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division to support the Inspira team;
 - (b) A decrease of \$366,600 under contractual services related mainly to the downgraded service level agreement from B to C (\$360,000) and is in line with the report of the Secretary-General on the budget outline for the biennium 2014-2015, as reflected in table 29C.6, item 3;
 - (c) The removal of non-recurrent provisions under furniture and equipment related to the one-time requirements of two new posts established in the biennium 2012-2013 (\$3,200).
- 29C.60 The regular budget resources would be complemented by further funding of \$9,114,000, reflecting an increase of \$1,070,200, derived from the support account for peacekeeping operations. Those resources would fund three posts, other staff costs, consultants, travel of staff and other operating expenses, and would provide support for the monitoring, planning and reporting requirements to the General Assembly as well as efficient and timely services in support of peacekeeping operations. The increase of \$1,070,200 reflects mainly lower vacancy rates and the impact of the application of the increased standard costs for the existing complement of posts and general temporary assistance positions under the support account for peacekeeping operations as well as to non-standard information technology resources related to Inspira.

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a Annex I

Organizational structure and post distribution for the biennium 2014-2015



^a Inward redeployment from the Human Resources Policy Service.

^b Inward redeployment from the Learning, Development and Human Resources Services Division.

Annex II

Summary of follow-up action taken to implement relevant recommendations of the oversight bodies

Brief description of the recommendation

Action taken to implement the recommendation

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/66/7)

The Committee expects that the Secretary-General will provide information on the benefits of the new contractual arrangements and the harmonization of conditions of service in the context of his next report on human resources management (para. VIII.43).

The Advisory Committee notes the efforts being undertaken by the Office of Human Resources Management to reduce recruitment timelines and looks forward to receiving information on the results achieved. With regard to the deployment of Inspira, the Committee reiterates its earlier request that the Secretary-General ensure that the shortcomings identified are rectified as soon as possible and that he provide updated information on progress made, as well as lessons learned, to the General Assembly at its sixty-sixth session (para. VIII.50).

The Advisory Committee also reiterates its earlier recommendation that training programmes and objectives should be linked to mandate implementation and organizational goals, and emphasizes that robust monitoring and evaluation mechanisms are required in order to assess whether or not the programmes offered are responding to the needs identified. In this regard, the Committee takes the view that the performance management system, which is currently being strengthened, should include training-related indicators for supervisors as well as staff, in order to ensure that programme managers take responsibility for identifying skills gaps and assessing the impact of training activities on the performance of their units. The Secretary-General should provide a more detailed account of training activities in his next report on human resources management,

Update on contracts was provided in the context of the Secretary-General's report on the overview of human resources management reform: towards a global, dynamic and adaptable workforce (A/67/324, paras. 16-20).

It should be noted that conditions of service is a matter for ICSC.

Information was provided in the context the Secretary-General's report on the overview of human resources management reform: towards a global, dynamic and adaptable workforce (ibid., paras. 31-37).

See the comment on General Assembly resolution 66/246 (ibid., para. 22).

The performance management tool enables information to be captured about a staff member's five-day learning target (as stipulated in the Secretary-General's bulletin on learning and development policy (ST/SGB/2009/9)). The target applies to staff at large and supervisors/managers. The roll-out of the enterprise learning management system will ensure greater linkages between learning plans and learning activities: information about competencies and courses, course registration and ePerformance documents will all be included in the same platform. This single, unified tool will allow for better monitoring of learning activities and their impact on unit performance.

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Brief description of the recommendation

Action taken to implement the recommendation

including an indication of all resources invested in such activities during the bienniums 2010-2011 and 2012-2013 (para. VIII.54).

The Committee is supportive of the important work carried out within the framework of the UN Cares programme. The Secretary-General should provide detailed information on the results achieved in a future submission (para. VIII.57).

See the comment on paragraph 44 of General Assembly resolution 65/247 (ibid., annex). The training strategy has been completed and the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management communicated the full training resources picture to the United Nations Learning Advisory Board.

UN Cares, the United Nations system-wide workplace programme on HIV, established in September 2007, is funded by nearly 20 United Nations system organizations. UN Cares has a regular inter-agency reporting process, through the Human Resources Network. Progress over the biennium 2012-2013 includes the following:

- (a) Completion of an external evaluation validating the usefulness and efficiency of UN Cares and recommending its continuation, on the basis of which the Human Resources Network, in June 2012, has approved the continuation of the programme through 2014-2015;
- (b) Completion of the second comprehensive UN Cares monitoring report, which indicates a 17% increase in awareness by United Nations personnel that the Organization has zero tolerance for HIV-related stigma and discrimination (87% are aware) and an 11.5% increase in participation in stigma-related events (53% participated), this following an anti-stigma campaign led by UN Plus and UN Cares in 2011;
- (c) Hiring of a full-time regional coordinator to support the implementation of UN Cares in West and Central Africa;
- (d) Completion of a UN Cares e-course, to meet the needs of staff who do not have access to face-to-face UN Cares learning;
- (e) Development of a half-day learning workshop on confidential handling of personal information, to be implemented beginning in 2013:

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Brief description of the recommendation	Action taken to implement the recommendation
	(f) Completion, with UN Plus, of a consultant review of a United Nations Children's Fund-Vanbreda insurance pilot project related to HIV;
	(g) Completion of 9 case studies to document good country-level practice in reaching children and adolescents of staff.

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Annex III

Outputs included in the biennium 2012-2013 not to be delivered in 2014-2015

A/66/6 (Sect. 29C), paragraph	Output	Quantity	Reason for discontinuation
29C.29 (b) (i)	Training of 180 staff on new human resource management scorecard and self-monitoring	1	Duplicative, therefore subsumed under output on the provision of guidance on the exercise of delegated authority for human resources management.
29C.35 (b) (i) a	Pilot of managerial assessment centre process for managers at the P-5 level and above (20 participants)	1	Owing to the reprioritization of resources, this output was not implemented and has been terminated.
29C.35 (b) (i) c	Programmes for managers in managing the knowledge and information resources of their offices and in using the information and communications technology resources of the Organization to leverage their information management skills, for approximately 300 participants	1	Owing to the reprioritization of resources, this output was not implemented, and has been terminated.
29C.35 (b) (i) e	Pre-retirement programmes, including materials, for approximately 3,600 participants	1	Combined with output for career services.
29C.41 (e) (i)	Implementation of new clinical modules, such as health promotion programmes and inventory management	1	Implemented.
	Total	5	