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Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 18 September 2015, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its seventieth session the item entitled “Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994” and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 20th, 21st and 23rd meetings, on 15, 16 and 23 December 2015. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee’s consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records.¹

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2016-2017: Liquidation ([A/70/448](#));

¹ [A/C.5/70/SR.20](#), [A/C.5/70/SR.21](#) and [A/C.5/70/SR.23](#).



(b) Second performance report of the Secretary-General on the budget of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2014-2015 ([A/70/553](#));

(c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/70/600](#));

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation ([A/70/606](#));

(e) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/70/7/Add.35](#)).

II. Consideration of draft resolution [A/C.5/70/L.11](#)

4. At its 23rd meeting, on 23 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled “Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994” ([A/C.5/70/L.11](#)), submitted by the Chair on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Mexico.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution [A/C.5/70/L.11](#) without a vote (see para. 6).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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The General Assembly,

I

Second performance report on the budget of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2014-2015

Having considered the second performance report on the budget, for the biennium 2014-2015, of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994,¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

Recalling its resolution 49/251 of 20 July 1995 on the financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which were resolutions 68/255 of 27 December 2013 and 69/254 of 29 December 2014,

1. *Takes note* of the second performance report of the Secretary-General on the budget of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2014-2015¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;²

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

3. *Decides* to consider the treatment of the accrued liabilities for the after-service health insurance benefits payable to former staff and the pensions of retired judges, and their surviving spouses, of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda under agenda item 146, Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals;

4. *Resolves* that, for the biennium 2014-2015, the amount of 94,883,600 United States dollars gross (88,316,800 dollars net) approved in its resolution 69/254 of 29 December 2014 for the financing of the Tribunal shall be adjusted by the

¹ A/70/553.

² A/70/600.

amount of 11,184,500 dollars gross (9,156,600 dollars net), for a total amount of 106,068,100 dollars gross (97,473,400 dollars net);

II

Budget for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2016-2017: liquidation

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2016-2017: liquidation³ and on the revised estimates arising from the effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation,⁴

Having also considered the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁵

1. *Takes note* of the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for the biennium 2016-2017: liquidation³ and on the revised estimates arising from the effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation;⁴

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁵ subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Decides* to approve 43 positions and related non-post resources as proposed by the Secretary-General;

4. *Takes note* of paragraph 15 of the report of the Advisory Committee;²

5. *Notes* that the liquidation is estimated to be completed in five months, beginning 1 January 2016, and encourages the Secretary-General to ensure that the liquidation activities are completed in a timely manner;

6. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 a total amount of 2,086,100 dollars gross (1,978,800 dollars net) for the biennium 2016-2017, as detailed in the annex to the present resolution;

7. *Also decides* that the total assessment for 2016 under the Special Account, amounting to 13,270,600 dollars, shall consist of:

(a) 2,086,100 dollars, being the estimated appropriation approved for the biennium 2016-2017;

(b) 11,184,500 dollars, being the increase in the final appropriation for the biennium 2014-2015 approved by the General Assembly in paragraph 4 of section I above;

³ A/70/448.

⁴ A/70/606.

⁵ A/70/600 and A/70/7/Add.35.

8. *Further decides* to apportion the amount of 6,635,300 dollars gross (5,567,700 dollars net) among Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to the regular budget of the United Nations for 2016;

9. *Decides* to apportion the amount of 6,635,300 dollars gross (5,567,700 dollars net) among Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to peacekeeping operations for 2016;

10. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraphs 8 and 9 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 2,135,200 dollars approved for the Tribunal for 2016.

Annex

Financing for the biennium 2016-2017 of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

	<i>Gross</i>	<i>Net of staff assessment</i>
	<i>(United States dollars)</i>	
Estimated appropriation for the biennium 2016-2017	2 628 200	2 495 100
Revised estimates: effects of changes in rates of exchange and inflation	(525 200)	(500 000)
Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions	(328 400)	(303 700)
Recommendations of the Fifth Committee	311 500	287 400
Estimated initial appropriation for the biennium 2016-2017	2 086 100	1 978 800
<i>Total assessment for 2016</i>		
Requirements representing the estimated appropriation for the biennium 2016-2017	2 086 100	1 978 800
Requirements arising from the final appropriation for the biennium 2014-2015	11 184 500	9 156 600
Net contributions assessed on Member States for 2016	13 270 600	11 135 400
<i>Of which:</i>		
Contributions assessed on Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to the regular budget of the United Nations for 2016	6 635 300	5 567 700
Contributions assessed on Member States in accordance with the scale of assessments applicable to peacekeeping operations of the United Nations for 2016	6 635 300	5 567 700