



General Assembly

Distr.: General
24 August 2020

Original: English

Seventy-fifth session

Item 75 of the provisional agenda*

Report of the International Criminal Court

Information relevant to the implementation of article 3 of the Relationship Agreement between the United Nations and the International Criminal Court

Report of the Secretary-General

Summary

The present report is submitted pursuant to paragraph 12 of General Assembly resolution [74/6](#), in which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to include information relevant to the implementation of article 3 of the Relationship Agreement between the United Nations and the International Criminal Court in a report to be submitted to the Assembly at its seventy-fifth session.

* [A/75/150](#).



1. Article 3 of the Relationship Agreement between the United Nations and the International Criminal Court provides as follows: “The United Nations and the Court agree that, with a view to facilitating the effective discharge of their respective responsibilities, they shall cooperate closely, whenever appropriate, with each other and consult each other on matters of mutual interest pursuant to the provisions of the present Agreement and in conformity with the respective provisions of the Charter and the Statute.”
2. During the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020, the United Nations cooperated extensively with the Court pursuant to the provisions of the Agreement. The United Nations marked the fifteenth anniversary of the entry into force of the Agreement on 4 October 2019. The United Nations continued to work closely with the Court in order to further strengthen its relationship with the Court and to ensure the effective implementation of the Agreement.
3. In the field of institutional relations, addressed in chapter II of the Agreement, the United Nations provided to the Court a range of services and facilities, including: payroll costs for staff assigned to work exclusively on matters pertaining to the Court; field security services; audio and visual services; language interpretation services; access to the United Nations System Electronic Information Acquisition Consortium; review of the financial disclosure programme of the Court’s key personnel; registration fees for the United Nations language proficiency examinations; fuel, engineering and security services; construction costs; provision of laissez-passer; travel, accommodation and transportation services; and Internet services. The services were all provided on a reimbursable basis in accordance with the Agreement and in line with General Assembly resolution [58/318](#).
4. In the field of cooperation and judicial assistance, addressed in chapter III of the Agreement, the United Nations provided extensive assistance to the Court during the period under review, particularly in the form of access to its records and archives and by making United Nations personnel available for interview by the prosecution in connection with situations before the Court and with situations under preliminary examination by the Prosecutor. No testimony by United Nations personnel was provided during the reporting period.
5. In addition to cooperation extended by the United Nations to the Court pursuant to the provisions of the Agreement, the United Nations continued to make every effort to refrain from any actions that would frustrate the activities of the Court and its various organs, including the Prosecutor, or undermine the authority of their decisions. Further to the issuance by the Secretary-General of guidance on contacts with persons who are the subject of arrest warrants or summonses issued by the International Criminal Court (see [A/67/828-S/2013/210](#)), officials of the United Nations continued to implement the policy on essential contacts.