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[on the report of the Fifth Committee ([A/73/936](#))]

73/308. Support account for peacekeeping operations

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions [45/258](#) of 3 May 1991, [47/218 A](#) of 23 December 1992, [48/226 A](#) of 23 December 1993, [48/226 C](#) of 29 July 1994, [49/250](#) of 20 July 1995 and [50/221 B](#) of 7 June 1996, section I of its resolution [55/238](#) of 23 December 2000, its resolutions [55/271](#) of 14 June 2001, [56/241](#) of 24 December 2001, [56/293](#) of 27 June 2002, [57/318](#) of 18 June 2003, [58/298](#) of 18 June 2004, [59/301](#) of 22 June 2005, [60/268](#) of 30 June 2006, [61/279](#) of 29 June 2007, [62/250](#) of 20 June 2008, [63/287](#) of 30 June 2009, [64/271](#) of 24 June 2010, [65/290](#) of 30 June 2011, [66/265](#) of 21 June 2012, [67/287](#) of 28 June 2013, [68/283](#) of 30 June 2014, [69/308](#) of 25 June 2015, [70/287](#) of 17 June 2016, [71/295](#) of 30 June 2017, [72/288](#) of 5 July 2018 and its other relevant resolutions, as well as its decisions 49/469 of 23 December 1994, 50/473 of 23 December 1995 and 72/558 of 5 July 2018,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018¹ and on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020,² the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020³ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁴

Recognizing the importance of the United Nations being able to respond and deploy rapidly to a peacekeeping operation upon the adoption of a relevant resolution of the Security Council, within 30 days for traditional peacekeeping operations and 90 days for complex peacekeeping operations,

¹ [A/73/661](#) and [A/73/661/Add.1](#).

² [A/73/793](#).

³ [A/73/768](#).

⁴ [A/73/849](#).



Recognizing also the need for adequate support during all phases of peacekeeping operations, including the liquidation and termination phases,

Mindful that the level of the support account should broadly correspond to the mandate, number, size and complexity of peacekeeping missions,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020² and the report of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee on the proposed budget of the Office of Internal Oversight Services under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020;³

2. *Reaffirms* its role in carrying out a thorough analysis and approval of human and financial resources and policies with a view to ensuring the full, effective and efficient implementation of all mandated programmes and activities and the implementation of policies in this regard;

3. *Also reaffirms* that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the General Assembly entrusted with responsibility for administrative and budgetary matters;

4. *Further reaffirms* rule 153 of its rules of procedure;

5. *Reaffirms* that the support account funds shall be used for the sole purpose of financing human resources and non-human resources requirements for backstopping and supporting peacekeeping operations at Headquarters, and that any changes in this limitation require the prior approval of the General Assembly;

6. *Also reaffirms* the need for adequate funding for the backstopping of peacekeeping operations, as well as the need for full justification for that funding in support account budget submissions;

7. *Further reaffirms* the need for effective and efficient administration and financial management of peacekeeping operations, and urges the Secretary-General to continue to identify measures to increase the productivity and efficiency of the support account;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions [59/296](#) of 22 June 2005, [60/266](#) of 30 June 2006, [61/276](#) of 29 June 2007, [64/269](#) of 24 June 2010, [65/289](#) of 30 June 2011, [66/264](#) of 21 June 2012, [69/307](#) of 25 June 2015 and [70/286](#) of 17 June 2016, and other relevant resolutions;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁴ subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Decides* to maintain, for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020, the funding mechanism for the support account used in the current period, from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019, as approved in paragraph 3 of its resolution [50/221 B](#);

11. *Reaffirms* that the use of external consultants should be kept to an absolute minimum and that their services should be used only when necessary, and stresses the need for using the in-house capacity of the Organization to perform core activities or to fulfil functions that are recurrent over the long term;

Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018

12. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018;¹

Budget estimates for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020

13. *Approves* the support account requirements in the amount of 348,868,000 United States dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020, inclusive of the amount of 19,376,900 dollars for the enterprise resource planning project, 821,500 dollars for information and systems security, 868,500 dollars for the global service delivery model project, 3,881,600 dollars for peacekeeping capability readiness and 20,803,300 dollars for Umoja maintenance and support costs, including 1,357 continuing posts and 9 new temporary posts, as well as the abolishment, redeployment, reassignment and reclassification of posts, as set out in annex I to the present resolution, and 59 continuing and 3 new general temporary assistance positions and 52 person-months, as set out in annex II, as well as related post and non-post requirements;

Financing of the support account for peacekeeping operations for the financial periods from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 and from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020

14. *Decides* that the requirements for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 shall be financed as follows:

(a) The unencumbered balance in the amount of 18,800 dollars, in respect of the financial period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020;

(b) The total amount of 3,040,600 dollars, comprising investment revenue of 1,152,200 dollars, other miscellaneous revenue of 277,900 dollars and the cancellation of prior-period obligations of 1,610,500 dollars in respect of the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020;

(c) The amount of 1,973,400 dollars, representing the excess of the authorized level of the Peacekeeping Reserve Fund in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2018, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020;

(d) The balance of 343,835,200 dollars to be prorated among the budgets of the active peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020;

(e) The net estimated staff assessment income of 24,482,200 dollars, comprising the amount of 25,317,800 dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 and the decrease of 835,600 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2018, to be offset against the balance referred to in subparagraph (d) above, to be prorated among the budgets of the individual active peacekeeping operations.

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Annex I

A
Posts to be established under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020

Department/office	Organizational unit	Posts		Function	Status
		Number	Level		
Department of Peace Operations					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General/Office of the Director for Coordination and Shared Services	Focal Point for Security	1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant (organizational resilience)	Conversion from general temporary assistance
Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions	Office of the Assistant Secretary-General	1	P-4	Rule of Law and Security Institutions Officer (MINUSCA)	
	Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Section	1	P-4	Policy and Planning Officer (disarmament, demobilization and reintegration) (MINUSCA)	
	Police Division	1	P-4	Police Programme Officer (MINUSCA)	
Subtotal		4			
Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance					
Office of Programme Planning, Finance and Budget	Field Operations Finance Division	2	P-3	Finance and Budget Officer	Conversion from general temporary assistance
Subtotal		2			
Office of Internal Oversight Services					
Internal Audit Division	United Nations	2	P-4	Resident Auditor	Conversion from general temporary assistance
	Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali	1	P-3	Resident Auditor	
Subtotal		3			
Total		9			

Note: The specific assignment and location of each of the new posts is set out in the report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 ([A/73/793](#)) and referenced in the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/73/849](#)).

Abbreviations: GS (OL), General Service (Other level); MINUSCA, United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic.

B
Redeployment, reassignment, reclassification and abolishment of posts under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020

Redeployment

*Department of Operational Support/Division of Administration, New York/
Headquarters Client Support Service*

Redeployment of 2 posts (2 GS (OL) Human Resources Assistants) from the Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance/Office of Human Resources

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Investigations Division/Resident Investigations
Office of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the
Central African Republic*

Redeployment of 2 posts (1 P-3 Resident Investigator and 1 NGS Administrative Assistant) from the Resident Investigations Office of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/Entebbe

Redeployment of 1 post (1 P-5 Chief Resident Auditor) from the Resident Audit Office of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti (as of February 2020)

Reassignment

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Inspection and Evaluation Division/Entebbe

Reassignment of 1 post (1 P-5 Chief Resident Investigator to be reassigned and reclassified as 1 P-4 Evaluation Officer (Management and Programme Analyst)) from the Investigations Division/Resident Investigations Office of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti

Reassignment of 1 post (1 P-3 Resident Auditor to be reassigned as 1 P-3 Evaluation Officer (Management and Programme Analyst)) from the Internal Audit Division/Resident Audit Office of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti (as of February 2020)

Reclassification

*Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance/Office of Programme
Planning, Finance and Budget/Field Operations Finance Division*

Reclassification of 1 post (1 GS (OL) Finance and Budget Assistant to be reclassified as 1 GS (PL) Senior Finance and Budget Assistant)

Abolishment

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/Resident Audit Office of
the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti*

Abolishment of 1 post (1 NGS Administrative Assistant) (as of February 2020)

Abolishment of 1 post (1 FS Administrative Assistant)

*Office of Information and Communications Technology/Enterprise Solutions Service/
Enterprise applications centre – Asia*

Abolishment of 1 post (1 GS (OL) Administrative Assistant (Inspira support function))

Abbreviations: FS, Field Service; GS (OL), General Service (Other level); GS (PL), General Service (Principal level); NGS, national General Service.

Annex II

General temporary assistance positions to be established under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020

Department/office	Organizational unit	Position		Function	Status
		Number	Level		
Department of Peace Operations					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General/ Office of the Director for Coordination and Shared Services	Executive Office	1	P-4	Human Resources Officer	Continuation
		–	3 months, 1 P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	3 months, 1 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions	Justice and Corrections Service	1	P-4	Judicial Affairs Officer	Continuation
Policy, Evaluation and Training Division	Policy and Best Practices Service	1	P-3	Political Affairs Officer (Action for Peacekeeping)	New
Subtotal		3			
United Nations Office to the African Union					
Administrative Support Section		–	3 months, 1 FS	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	3 months, 1 NGS	Leave replacement	Continuation
Subtotal		–			
Department of Operational Support					
Office of Support Operations	Health-Care Management and Occupational Safety and Health Division	1	P-4	Medical Officer	Continuation
	Human Resources Services Division	10	P-3	Human Resources Officer (occupational groups)	Continuation
		3	GS (OL)	Human Resources Assistant (occupational groups)	Continuation
Office of Supply Chain Management	Uniformed Capabilities Support Division	2	P-3	Finance and Budget Officer	Continuation
	Enabling and Outreach Service	1	GS (OL)	Procurement Assistant	Continuation
Division of Administration, New York	Archives and Records Management Service	–	10 months, 1 P-4	Information Management Officer	Continuation
Subtotal		17			

Department/office	Organizational unit	Position		Function	Status
		Number	Level		
Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Business Partner Service	–	4 months, 1 P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	4 months, 1 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
	Management Evaluation Unit	1	P-3	Legal Officer	Continuation
Office of Programme Planning, Finance and Budget	Finance Division	1	P-4	Finance Officer (accounting policy)	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Benefits Assistant (insurance)	Continuation
Office of Human Resources	Global Strategy and Policy Division	1	P-4	Programme Officer (gender parity)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Human Resources Officer (mobility)	Continuation
	Administrative Law Division/ Conduct and Discipline Service	1	P-3	Programme Officer	Continuation
Business Transformation and Accountability Division	Analytics and Project Management Service	1	P-4	Management and Programme Analyst	Continuation
Subtotal		7			
Office of Information and Communications Technology					
Enterprise Solutions Service	Enterprise applications centre – Asia (Bangkok office)	1	P-4	Project Manager (rations management system)	Continuation
		1	P-3	Information Systems Officer (fuel management system)	Continuation
	Enterprise applications centre – Asia (New York office)	1	P-3	Information Systems Officer (customer relationship management for the troop-contribution management project)	Continuation
Subtotal		3			
Office of Internal Oversight Services					
Executive Office		–	4 months, 1 P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	6 months, 1 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Investigations Division	New York	1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	Nairobi	1	P-4	Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator	Continuation
	Entebbe	1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	United Nations Mission in South Sudan	2	P-3	Resident Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation

Department/office	Organizational unit	Position		Function	Status
		Number	Level		
Internal Audit Division	United Nations	1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	Continuation
	Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali	1	P-4	Resident Investigator	Continuation
		2	P-3	Resident Investigator	Continuation
		1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo	1	P-3	Resident Investigator	Continuation
	United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic	2	P-3	Resident Investigator	Continuation
	United Nations	1	P-4	Resident Auditor	Continuation
	Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali	1	P-3	Resident Auditor	Continuation
	United Nations	3	P-4	Resident Auditor	Continuation
	Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic	2	P-3	Resident Auditor	Continuation
Subtotal		26			
Executive Office of the Secretary-General					
		–	6 months, 1 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Subtotal		–			
Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services					
Regional Ombudsman's Office in Entebbe		2	P-4	Conflict Resolution Officer	Continuation
Subtotal		2			
Office of Legal Affairs					
General Legal Division	Administration of Justice Cluster	–	3 months, 1 P-4	Leave replacement	Continuation
Subtotal		–			
Department of Global Communications					
		–	1.5 months, 1 P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	1.5 months, 1 GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Subtotal		–			
Department of Safety and Security					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Executive Office	1	P-3	Administrative Officer	New
		1	GS (OL)	Human Resources Assistant	New
Subtotal		2			

Department/office	Organizational unit	Position		Function	Status
		Number	Level		
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights					
Field Engagement Division	Peace Missions Support Section (Addis Ababa)	1	P-3	Human Rights Officer (United Nations Office to the African Union)	Continuation
Thematic Engagement, Special Procedures and Right to Development Division	Methodology, Education and Training Section (New York)	1	P-4	Human Rights Officer (sexual exploitation and abuse)	Continuation
Subtotal		2			
Total		62		Positions and 52 person-months (positions of less than 12 months' duration) ^a	

Note: The specific assignment and location of each of the general temporary assistance positions is set out in the report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 (A/73/793) and referenced in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/73/849).

Abbreviations: FS, Field Service; GS (OL), General Service (Other level); NGS, national General Service.

^a Person-months are indicated in the column entitled "Level".