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**Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of
the United Nations peacekeeping operations**

Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 30 June 2020

[*on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/74/910)*]

74/280. 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, 73/308 of 3 July 2019 and its other relevant resolutions, as well as its decisions 49/469 of 23 December 1994, 50/473 of 23 December 1995, 72/558 of 5 July 2018 and 73/555 of 3 July 2019,

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 2018 to 30 June 2019¹ and on the budget for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021,² 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 2020 to 30 June 2021³ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,⁴

¹ A/74/622.

² A/74/743.

³ A/74/716.

⁴ A/74/809.



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,

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 2020 to 30 June 2021² 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 2020 to 30 June 2021;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, as well as 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 2020 to 30 June 2021, the funding mechanism for the support account used in the current period, from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020, as approved in paragraph 3 of its resolution [50/221](#) B;

Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019

11. *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 2018 to 30 June 2019;¹

Budget estimates for the financial period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021

12. *Approves* the support account requirements in the amount of 355,694,200 United States dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021, inclusive of the amount of 13,381,300 dollars for the enterprise resource planning project, 868,500 dollars for the global service delivery model project, 3,881,600 dollars for peacekeeping capability readiness and 18,053,700 dollars for Umoja maintenance and support costs, including 1,355 continuing posts and 2 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 62 continuing and 6 new general temporary assistance positions and 50 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 2018 to 30 June 2019 and from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021

13. *Decides* that the requirements for the support account for peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 shall be financed as follows:

(a) The total amount of 1,916,800 dollars, comprising investment revenue of 691,500 dollars, other miscellaneous revenue of 26,200 dollars and the cancellation of prior-period obligations of 1,199,100 dollars in respect of the period from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021;

(b) The amount of 3,802,200 dollars, representing the excess of the authorized level of the Peacekeeping Reserve Fund in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2019, to be applied to the resources required for the financial period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021;

(c) The balance of 349,975,200 dollars to be prorated among the budgets of the active peacekeeping operations for the financial period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021;

(d) The net estimated staff assessment income of 28,128,200 dollars, comprising the amount of 26,817,100 dollars for the financial period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 and the increase of 1,311,100 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2019, to be offset against the balance referred to in subparagraph (c) 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 2020 to 30 June 2021**

Department/office	Organizational unit	Posts		Function	Status
		Number	Level		
Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance					
Office of Programme Planning, Finance and Budget	Field Operations Finance Division	1	GS (OL)	Finance and Budget Assistant ^a	New
		Subtotal	1		
Secretariat of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions					
		1	P-4	Administrative Officer	New
		Subtotal	1		
		Total	2		

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 2020 to 30 June 2021 ([A/74/743](#)) and referenced in the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/74/809](#)).

^a Post establishment effective as of 1 January 2021.

Abbreviations: GS (OL), General Service (Other level).

B**Redeployment, reassignment, reclassification and abolishment of posts under the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021****Redeployment**

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

Redeployment of the Trust Fund Management Section from the Programme Planning and Budget Division

Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/Entebbe

Redeployment of 2 posts (1 P-4 Resident Auditor, 1 P-3 Resident Auditor) from the Resident Audit Office of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (as of 1 April 2021)

Reassignment and downward reclassification

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

Reassignment and reclassification of 1 post (1 FS Audit Assistant to be reassigned and reclassified as 1 NGS Programme Assistant) from the Internal Audit Division/Resident Audit Office of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur

Abolishment

Department of Peace Operations/Single regional political-operational structure/Americas Division (United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti)

Abolishment of 4 posts (1 P-5 Senior Political Affairs Officer, 2 P-4 Political Affairs Officers, 1 P-2 Associate Political Affairs Officer)

Department of Operational Support/Office of Support Operations/Capacity Development and Operational Training Service

Abolishment of 1 post (1 GS (OL) Information Management Assistant)

Department of Operational Support/Office of Supply Chain Management/Uniformed Capabilities Support Division

Abolishment of 1 post (1 P-3 Finance Officer)

Department of Operational Support/Office of Supply Chain Management/Logistics Division

Abolishment of 1 post (1 GS (OL) Administrative Assistant)

Department of Operational Support/Office of Supply Chain Management/Procurement Division

Abolishment of 1 post (1 GS (OL) Team Assistant)

Department of Operational Support/Division for Special Activities/Office of the Director

Abolishment of 1 post (1 P-4 Administrative Officer)

Office of Information and Communications Technology/Operations Support Division

Abolishment of 1 post (1 GS (OL) Information Systems Assistant)

*Office of Internal Oversight Services/Internal Audit Division/Resident Audit Office of
the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur*

Abolishment of 3 posts (1 P-5 Chief Resident Auditor, 1 P-4 Resident Auditor, 1 FS
Audit Assistant) (as of 1 April 2021)

Abbreviations: FS, Field Service; GS (OL), General Service (Other 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 2020 to 30 June 2021

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, P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	3 months, 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)	Continuation
	Integrated Training Service	1	P-3	Training Officer	New
		Subtotal	4		
United Nations Office to the African Union					
Administrative Support Section		–	4 months, FS	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	4 months, 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
		1	P-4	Mental Health Officer (post-traumatic stress disorder)	New
	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
		1	P-4	Finance and Budget Officer (post-traumatic stress disorder)	New
		1	GS (OL)	Finance and Budget Assistant (post-traumatic stress disorder)	New
	Enabling and Outreach Service	1	GS (OL)	Procurement Assistant	Continuation
Division of Administration, New York	Headquarters Client Support Service	–	6 months, P-4	Leave replacement	New
		Subtotal	20		

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, P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	4 months, GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Office of Programme Planning, Finance and Budget	Management Evaluation Unit	1	P-3	Legal Officer	Continuation
		1	P-4	Finance Officer (accounting policy)	Continuation
	Finance Division	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	Administrative Law Division/Appeals Management Section	1	P-4	Legal Officer	New
		1	P-3	Legal Officer	New
	Analytics and Project Management Service	1	P-4	Management and Programme Analyst	Continuation

Subtotal 9**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, P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	6 months, GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Investigations Division	New York	1	P-4	Investigator (sexual harassment)	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator (sexual harassment)	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
	Nairobi	1	P-4	Investigator (sexual harassment)	Continuation
		2	P-3	Investigator (sexual harassment)	Continuation
	Entebbe	1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation
		2	P-3	Resident Investigator	Continuation
	United Nations Mission in South Sudan	1	NGS	Administrative Assistant	Continuation

Department/office	Organizational unit	Position		Function	Status
		Number	Level		
Internal Audit Division	United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali	1	P-5	Chief Resident Investigator	Continuation
		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 Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali	1	P-4	Resident Auditor	Continuation
		1	P-3	Resident Auditor	Continuation
	United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic	3	P-4	Resident Auditor	Continuation
		2	P-3	Resident Auditor	Continuation
Subtotal		26			
Executive Office of the Secretary-General					
		–	6 months, 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, P-4	Leave replacement	Continuation
Subtotal		–			
Department of Global Communications					
Executive Office		–	1.5 months, P-3	Leave replacement	Continuation
		–	1.5 months, GS (OL)	Leave replacement	Continuation
Subtotal		–			
Department of Safety and Security					
Office of the Under-Secretary-General	Executive Office	1	P-3	Administrative Officer	Continuation
		1	GS (OL)	Human Resources Assistant	Continuation
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	68	Positions and 50 person-months (positions of less than 12 months' duration)^a	

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