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Annex I

Financial statement on the revised draft resolution entitled “Strengthening Government oversight of civilian private security services and the contribution of such services to crime prevention and community safety”*

1. This oral statement was made in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

2. In operative paragraphs 2 and 3 of the revised draft resolution E/CN.15/2012/L.2/Rev.1, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice would:

(a) *Request* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to circulate the draft preliminary recommendations on the oversight and regulation of civilian private security services and on their contribution to crime prevention and community safety to all Member States, through a note verbale requesting their response;

(b) *Also request* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to prepare a report that summarizes and provides a synthesis of the responses of Member States, to be submitted to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its twenty-second session.

3. With regard to the request contained in operative paragraph 3, additional extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$100,300 would be required for the preparation of the report and synthesis of responses of Member States. The level of resource requirements would provide for consultancy and staff time.

4. Should the additional extrabudgetary resources mentioned above not be provided, the activities would not take place.

5. Hence, adoption of the revised draft resolution contained in document E/CN.15/2012/L.2/Rev.1 would not entail any additional appropriation under the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013.

* For the final text of the revised draft resolution, which originally appeared under the symbol E/CN.15/2012/L.2/Rev.1, see E/2012/30-E/CN.15/2012/24, chapter I, section D, resolution 21/1.

Annex II

Financial statement on the revised draft resolution entitled “Follow-up to the Twelfth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations for the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice”*

1. This oral statement was made in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

2. In operative paragraphs 10 and 11 of the revised draft resolution E/CN.15/2012/L.3/Rev.1, the General Assembly would:

(a) *Request* the Secretary-General, in cooperation with the institutes of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme network, to prepare a discussion guide for the regional preparatory meetings and for the Thirteenth Congress in a timely manner in order to enable those meetings to be held as early as possible in 2014, and invite Member States to be actively involved in that process;

(b) *Also request* the Secretary-General to facilitate the organization of regional preparatory meetings for the Thirteenth Congress and to make available the necessary resources for the participation of the least developed countries in those meetings and in the Congress itself, in accordance with past practice and in consultation with Member States.

3. The resource requirements to provide for: (a) assistance with the preparation, documentation and servicing of the preparatory meetings of the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and of the Congress itself; (b) specialized expertise to prepare technical research papers on the substantive agenda items and workshop topics of the Thirteenth Congress; (c) participation of the least developed countries in the regional preparatory meetings for the Thirteenth Congress and in the Congress itself; and (d) the travel of staff to provide substantive servicing for the regional preparatory meetings of the Thirteenth Congress will be reviewed in the context of the budget for the biennium 2014-2015, in accordance with established budgetary procedures.

4. Hence, adoption of the revised draft resolution contained in document E/CN.15/2012/L.3/Rev.1 would not entail any additional appropriation under the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013.

* For the final text of the revised draft resolution, which originally appeared under the symbol E/CN.15/2012/L.3/Rev.1, see E/2012/30-E/CN.15/2012/24, chapter I, section A, draft resolution V.

Annex III

Financial statement on the revised draft resolution entitled “Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners”*

1. This oral statement was made in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

2. In operative paragraphs 8, 9, 10, 11 and 15 of revised draft resolution E/CN.15/2012/L.4/Rev.2, the General Assembly would:

(a) *Authorize* the open-ended intergovernmental Expert Group on the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners to continue its work, within its mandate, with a view to reporting on its progress to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its twenty-second session, and request the Secretary-General to ensure that the required services and support are provided;

(b) *Invite* Member States to actively participate in the next meeting of the open-ended intergovernmental Expert Group and have a report prepared summarizing discussions and recommendations, including comments and concerns expressed by Government experts and other participants;

(c) *Express* its gratitude to the Government of Argentina for its readiness to host the next meeting of the open-ended intergovernmental Expert Group on the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners;

(d) *Take* note of the work accomplished for the preparation of the conference room paper entitled “Notes and comments on the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners”, and recommends its early translation into all other official languages of the United Nations, as well as its wide dissemination;

(e) *Reiterate* its request to the Secretary-General to continue to promote the use and application of the United Nations standards and norms in crime prevention and criminal justice by, inter alia, providing advisory services and technical assistance to Member States on request, including assistance in criminal justice and law reform, and in the organization of training for law enforcement and criminal justice personnel and support in the administration and management of penal and penitentiary systems, thus contributing to the upgrading of their efficiency and capabilities.

* For the final text of the revised draft resolution, which originally appeared under the symbol E/CN.15/2012/L.4/Rev.2, see E/2012/30-E/CN.15/2012/24, chapter I, section A, draft resolution I.

3. With regards to operative paragraphs 8, 9 and 10, it was envisaged that additional extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$466,900 would be required for the continuation of the work of the open-ended intergovernmental expert group on the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners on considering the revision of the Standard Minimum Rules with a view to reporting that the twenty-second session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice. The level of resources required would provide for:

(a) Consultancy for a working document addressing the revision of the standard Minimum Rules;

(b) Editing and translation of the agenda and the working paper in the six official languages for submission to the Intergovernmental Expert Group;

(c) Servicing of an open-ended intergovernmental Expert Group meeting for a duration of 3 days in Buenos Aires to examine the working paper, with interpretation and translation and printing of the final report (16 pages in 6 languages);

(d) Staff costs to coordinate the preparation of the open-ended intergovernmental Expert Group meeting and the collection and dissemination of information.

4. With regards to operative paragraph 11, it was envisaged that additional \$172,600 would be required to translate and print in six United Nations official languages the Note and Comments on the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (E/CN.15/2012/CRP.1).

5. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 15, it was envisaged that additional extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$657,700 would be required for assessment missions to assist countries upon their request, consultancy and staff time.

6. Should the additional extrabudgetary resources mentioned above not be provided, the activities would not take place.

7. Hence, adoption of the revised draft resolution contained in document E/CN.15/2012/L.4/Rev.2 would not entail any additional appropriation under the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013.

Annex IV

Financial statement on the revised draft resolution entitled “Countering maritime piracy, especially off the coast of Somalia and in the Gulf of Guinea”*

1. This oral statement was made in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.
2. In operative paragraph 5, 9 and 11 of revised draft resolution E/CN.15/2012/L.5/Rev.1, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice would:
 - (a) *Request* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, in cooperation with the United Nations Development Programme and other international partners, as appropriate, to further their efforts to support the development of domestic legislation, agreements and mechanisms that would allow the effective prosecution of suspected pirates and the transfer and imprisonment of convicted pirates;
 - (b) *Request* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to continue providing technical assistance, upon request, to affected Member States in order to enhance their capacity in countering maritime piracy and armed robbery at sea;
 - (c) *Request* the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to submit a report to the Commission at its twenty-second session on the implementation of the present resolution and to continue to the regular briefing of Member States on those topics.
3. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 5 and 9, additional extrabudgetary resources would be required to provide the technical assistance needed.
4. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 11, it was envisaged that additional extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$38,000 would be required for the report (16 pages in 6 languages).
5. Should the additional extrabudgetary resources mentioned above not be provided, the activities would not take place.
6. Hence, adoption of the revised draft resolution contained in document E/CN.15/2012/L.5/Rev.1 would not entail any additional appropriation under the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013.

* For the final text of the revised draft resolution, which originally appeared under the symbol E/CN.15/2012/L.5/Rev.1, see E/2012/30-E/CN.15/2012/24, chapter I, section D, resolution 21/2.

Annex V

Financial statement on the revised draft resolution entitled “Strengthening international cooperation in combating transnational organized crime in all its forms and manifestations”*

1. This oral statement was made in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

2. In operative paragraphs 4, 9, 11, 15 and 17 of revised draft resolution E/CN.15/2012/L.6/Rev.2, the Economic and Social Council would:

(a) *Invite* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to request Member States and interested international organizations, including regional organizations, to submit their views to the Office on ways and means of enhancing the effectiveness of international cooperation in countering criminal and terrorist threats and challenges to tourist sector, including by means of public-private partnership, and request the Office to provide a report on these submissions to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its 22nd session;

(b) *Take note* with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on crime prevention and criminal justice responses to protect cultural property, especially with regard to its trafficking,¹ including its recommendations, and look forward to the continued work of the intergovernmental expert group established by ECOSOC to address crime prevention and criminal justice responses to protect cultural property;

(c) *Reiterate* its invitation to Member States and other donors to provide extrabudgetary resources for these purposes, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the United Nations, to implement its Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice resolution 20/7 of 15 April 2011, including the convening of the second session of the open-ended intergovernmental expert group to conduct a comprehensive study of the problem of cybercrime;

(d) *Request* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, in consultation with Member States and relevant regional and international organizations, to continue developing technical assistance tools that may be used to support the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto, the United Nations Convention against Corruption and other relevant United Nations instruments;

(e) *Request* the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Commission at its twenty-second session on the implementation of the present resolution.

* For the final text of the revised draft resolution, which originally appeared under the symbol E/CN.15/2012/L.6/Rev.2, see E/2012/30-E/CN.15/2012/24, chapter I, section B, draft resolution II. E/CN.15/2012/15.

¹ E/CN.15/2012/15.

3. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 4, it was envisaged that extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$78,900 would be required to prepare and publish the report (16 pages report in 6 languages).
4. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 9, resources have already been provided as part of the proposed programme budget for 2012-2013 and the second meeting of the Open-ended intergovernmental expert group meeting on protection against trafficking in cultural property is scheduled to take place in Vienna from 27 to 29 June 2012.
5. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 11, it was envisaged that additional extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$889,200 would be required to convene the second session of the open ended intergovernmental expert group to conduct a comprehensive study of the problem of cybercrime, in Vienna, meeting for a total of 6 meetings (three days) with interpretation. The documentation requirements of the open-ended intergovernmental expert group would include: annotated agenda, background paper and the report of the expert group meeting (37 pages in total the six official languages). The level of resource requirements would also provide for the translation of the responses to the questionnaire (100 pages in English) and the translation and printing of the report of the study on cybercrime (200 pages in the six official languages), staff time and evaluation costs.
6. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 15, it was envisaged that additional extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$877,800 would be required for:
 - (a) the establishment of a knowledge management portal on the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols; and
 - (b) the development of a reviewer's guide to support the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto. It was envisaged that two expert group meetings, in Vienna, meeting for a duration of three days each, with interpretation and documentation (annotated agenda, 5 pages in the six official languages), consultancy and staff costs, will be necessary to develop the reviewer's guide (100 pages in the six official languages).
7. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 17, the report requested will be part of another document to be prepared pursuant to existing reporting obligations and would therefore not required additional resources.
8. Should the additional extrabudgetary resources mentioned above not be provided, the activities would not take place.
9. Hence, adoption of the revised draft resolution contained in document E/CN.15/2012/L.6/Rev.2 would not entail any additional appropriation under the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013.

Annex VI

Financial statement on the revised draft resolution entitled “United Nations Principles and Guidelines on Access to Legal Aid in Criminal Justice Systems”*

1. This oral statement was made in accordance with rule 28 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

2. In operative paragraphs 6, 7 and 9 of revised draft resolution E/CN.15/2012/L.14/Rev.1, the General Assembly would:

(a) *Request* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources, to continue to provide advisory services and technical assistance to Member States, upon request, in the area of criminal justice reform, including restorative justice, alternatives to imprisonment, the development of integrated plans for the provision of legal aid;

(b) *Also request* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources, to make the United Nations Principles and Guidelines on Access to Legal Aid in Criminal Justice Systems widely available, including through the development of relevant tools such as handbooks and training manuals;

(c) *Request* the Secretary-General to report to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its twenty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution.

3. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 6, it was envisaged that extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$262,200 would be required to provide the requested technical assistance. The level of resource requirements would provide for:

(a) four assessment missions to assist countries, upon their requests, to assess the provision of legal aid in accordance with international standards and norms; and recommend legislative and other reforms;

(b) translation of existing tool (Handbook on improving access to legal aid in Africa) to other languages (French, Arabic) and printing, to allow its use by additional Member States in the region;

(c) assigning a mentor for public defenders in one post-conflict state that has opted for this model.

* For the final text of the revised draft resolution, which originally appeared under the symbol E/CN.15/2012/L.14/Rev.1, see E/2012/30-E/CN.15/2012/24, chapter I, section A, draft resolution III.

4. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 7, it was envisaged that extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$492,000 would be required to provide the requested technical assistance. The level of resource requirements would provide for:

(a) Consultancy for the development of a Handbook to assist countries to implement at national level the United Nations principles and guidelines on legal aid;

(b) A 3-day expert group meeting in Vienna to revise and finalize the Handbook (meeting in English only);

(c) Translation into French and Spanish of the Handbook (approx. 100 pages publication) and printing of the Handbook;

(d) Consultancy for the development of a Guide for legislators/policymakers based on the UN principles and guidelines on legal aid;

(e) A 3-day expert group meeting in Vienna to revise and finalize the Guide (meeting in English only);

(f) Translation and printing in 6 United Nations official languages of the Guide for legislators/policymakers.

5. With regards to the request contained in operative paragraph 9, it was envisaged that the report requested will be part of another document to be prepared pursuant to existing reporting obligations and would therefore not require additional resources.

6. Should the additional extrabudgetary resources mentioned above not be provided, the activities would not take place.

7. Hence, adoption of the revised draft resolution contained in document E/CN.15/2012/L.14/Rev.1 would not entail any additional appropriation under the programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013.