

## Resolution 23/4

### **Implementation of the budget for the biennium 2014-2015 for the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Fund**

*The Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice,*

*Exercising* the administrative and financial functions entrusted to it by the General Assembly in its resolution 61/252 of 22 December 2006,

*Having considered* the report of the Executive Director on the implementation of the consolidated budget for the biennium 2014-2015 for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime,<sup>1</sup>

*Recalling* its resolution 22/9 of 13 December 2013,

1. *Notes* that the report of the Executive Director on the implementation of the consolidated budget for the biennium 2014-2015 for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime<sup>1</sup> provides information on the adjustments to the consolidated budget;

2. *Also notes* the continued strong donor confidence in programme delivery by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, as reflected by the increase in special-purpose contributions;

3. *Further notes* that a new funding model should, inter alia, not hinder the field operations and headquarters activities of the Office or affect delivery;

4. *Reiterates* that the Commission should continue to assess the provisional implementation by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime of full cost recovery in the biennium 2014-2015 with regard to its efficiency, feasibility and impact on the integrity and cost of United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime field offices and projects;

5. *Highlights* that full cost recovery cannot be applied retroactively except through bilateral agreements between the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the relevant donors, taking into account, as appropriate, the views of recipient countries;

6. *Notes* that consultation between Member States and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime on possible interpretation and application of policies on full cost recovery and programme support costs is required on an ongoing basis;

7. *Also notes* the cost-saving measures taken by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to maintain general-purpose expenditure at 11,189,700 United States dollars and programme support cost expenditure at 23,880,600 dollars;

8. *Encourages* the ongoing efforts of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to develop an annual report and an annual pledging process, as a means to strengthen results-based management and transparency, and invites Member States to provide extrabudgetary resources for these purposes;

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<sup>1</sup> E/CN.7/2014/18-E/CN.15/2014/21.

9. *Endorses* the revised estimates for special-purpose funds as indicated below:

**Resource projections for the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Fund**

| Category                            | Resources (thousands<br>of United States dollars) |                              | Posts                         |                              |
|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                     | Approved budget,<br>2014-2015                     | Revised budget,<br>2014-2015 | Approved budget,<br>2014-2015 | Revised budget,<br>2014-2015 |
| <b>General-purpose funds</b>        |   |                              |                               |                              |
| Post                                | 4 417.9   | 4 417.9                      | 13                            | 13.5                         |
| Non-post                            | 266.9   | 266.9                        | –                             | –                            |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                     | <b>4 684.8</b>                                    | <b>4 684.8</b>               | <b>13</b>                     | <b>13.5</b>                  |
| <b>Programme support cost funds</b> |   |                              |                               |                              |
| Post                                | 19 091.6  | 18 513.9                     | 81                            | 81.0                         |
| Non-post                            | 3 739.3   | 4 317.0                      | –                             | –                            |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                     | <b>22 830.9</b>                                   | <b>22 830.9</b>              | <b>81</b>                     | <b>81.0</b>                  |
| <b>Special-purpose funds</b>        | <b>281 142.7</b>                                  | <b>285 159.2</b>             | <b>178</b>                    | <b>169.0</b>                 |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>308 658.4</b>                                  | <b>312 674.9</b>             | <b>272</b>                    | <b>263.5</b>                 |

10. *Requests* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to strengthen its efforts to further encourage donors to provide general-purpose funding, including by means of further increasing transparency and quality of reporting, and invites Member States and other donors to consider providing support to the general-purpose funds of the Office;

11. *Remains fully committed* to increasing the effectiveness and results of the technical assistance programmes of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and of their delivery, and reaffirms the need to engage in thorough consultations among relevant actors, including the recipient countries, in advance of any possible changes to the field presence of the Office;

12. *Notes* that the estimated resource projections above are subject to the availability of funding.