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Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Proposed programme budget for 2022

A global call for concrete action for the elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Programme budget implications of draft resolution [A/C.3/76/L.61/Rev.1](#)

Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly

I. Mandate contained in the draft resolution

1. Under the terms of operative paragraph 17 of draft resolution [A/C.3/76/L.61/Rev.1](#), the General Assembly would welcome the establishment of the Permanent Forum of People of African Descent as a consultation mechanism for people of African descent and other relevant stakeholders as a platform for improving the safety and quality of life and livelihoods of people of African descent, as well as an advisory body to the Human Rights Council, and to contribute to elaborating a draft United Nations declaration on the promotion of and full respect for the human rights of people of African descent, and request the Secretary-General and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to strengthen the substantive support provided to the Forum in order to fulfil its mandate.



II. Relationship between the mandate contained in the draft resolution and the proposed programme budget for 2022

2. The mandate contained in draft resolution [A/C.3/76/L.61/Rev.1](#) requires additional deliverables and activities under programme 20, Human rights ([A/76/6 \(Sect. 24\)](#)), of the proposed programme budget for 2022.

III. Deliverables and activities required to implement the mandate contained in the draft resolution

3. Pursuant to the mandate contained in operative paragraph 17 of the draft resolution, it is envisaged that the Secretariat would provide additional support to the Permanent Forum.

4. For the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the implementation of the mandate would require additional work starting in 2022, as follows:

(a) To provide increased substantive support, on an ongoing basis and during the annual sessions of the Permanent Forum, to the Secretary of the Forum, in the fulfilment of its mandate related to substantively contributing to the elaboration of a declaration on the promotion of and full respect for the human rights of people of African descent, including by providing expert advice and recommendations aimed at addressing all scourges of racism confronted by people of African descent in the diaspora; identifying and analysing best practices, challenges, opportunities and initiatives for the further implementation of the provisions of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action relevant to people of African descent; preparing and disseminating information on issues related to people of African descent; and contributing to raising awareness and promoting the integration and coordination of activities relating to people of African descent within the United Nations system;

(b) To travel to New York to prepare and to provide on-site support every odd year when the session of the Forum is held in New York.

IV. Budgetary implications

Non-conference-servicing requirements

5. Details of the additional non-conference-servicing requirements are provided in table 1.

Table 1
Additional resource requirements for non-conference services

(United States dollars)

	<i>Requirements 2022</i>	<i>Requirements 2023 and future odd years</i>	<i>Requirements 2024 and future even years</i>
Section 24, Human rights			
Posts			
1 post at the P-3 level to provide substantive support to the Secretary of the Permanent Forum and during the annual sessions	94 100	169 700	169 700

	<i>Requirements 2022</i>	<i>Requirements 2023 and future odd years</i>	<i>Requirements 2024 and future even years</i>
Travel of staff			
One trip by one staff member to New York to provide support to the Permanent Forum (every odd year)	–	5 800	–
Total	94 100	175 500	169 700

6. An additional amount of \$9,600 would be required in 2022 under section 36, Staff assessment.

V. Summary of resource requirements

7. The budgetary implications for 2022 amount to \$103,700, as shown in table 2.

Table 2

Additional resource requirements (before recosting)

(United States dollars)

	<i>Requirements 2022</i>	<i>Requirements 2023 and future odd years</i>	<i>Requirements 2024 and future even years</i>
Section 24, Human rights	94 100	175 500	169 700
Section 36, Staff assessment	9 600	17 200	17 200
Total, including staff assessment	103 700	192 700	186 900

VI. Potential for absorption during 2022

8. No provision has been made in the proposed programme budget for 2022 for the implementation of the mandate contained in the draft resolution. At this stage, it is not possible to identify activities within the relevant section of the proposed programme budget for 2022 that could be terminated, deferred, curtailed or modified during 2022. It is therefore necessary that the additional resources be provided through an additional appropriation for 2022.

VII. Conclusion and action requested of the General Assembly

9. Should the General Assembly adopt draft resolution [A/C.3/76/L.61/Rev.1](#), additional resource requirements in the amount of \$94,100 would arise under section 24, Human rights, of the proposed programme budget for 2022.

10. The total amount of \$94,100 would require an additional appropriation for 2022 to be approved by the General Assembly and, as such, would represent a charge against the contingency fund.

11. Additional resource requirements in the amount of \$9,600 would arise under section 36, Staff assessment, of the proposed programme budget for 2022 and would require an additional appropriation by the General Assembly, to be offset by an equivalent increase of \$9,600 under income section 1, Income from staff assessment.