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A: Secretary of the Human Rights Council

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FROM: Johannes Huisman, Director  
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SUBJECT: Oral Statement of programme budget implications arising from  
OBJET: draft resolution A/HRC/25/L.20 of the Human Rights Council

I would be grateful if the text of the attached oral statement could be read and distributed prior to adoption of draft resolution A/HRC/25/L.20, entitled "The promotion and protection of human rights in the context of peaceful protests".

cc: Ms. Casar  
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ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT  
RESOLUTION A/HRC/25/L.20 ENTITLED "THE PROMOTION AND  
PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE CONTEXT OF PEACEFUL  
PROTESTS"

1. This oral statement is made in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

2. Under the terms of operative paragraphs 20 of draft resolution A/HRC/25/L.20, the Human Rights Council would:

- (a) Request the High Commissioner for Human Rights to prepare, within existing resources, guidelines for facilitating and protecting peaceful protests based on good practices, with the view of assisting States in promoting and protecting human rights in the context of peaceful protests, in collaboration with the Special Rapporteur on the rights to peaceful assembly and of association and the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions and other relevant special procedures, and in consultation with States and other relevant stakeholders, and to present these guidelines to the Human Rights Council at its thirty-first session.

3. In order to implement the requests contained in the draft resolution, the following activities and resources would be required:

- (a) nine months' P5 consultancy to undertake research and liaise with Special Procedures, States and other stakeholders on good practices, including the organization of a one day consultation, and to prepare draft guidelines;
- (b) one day consultation with Member States and other relevant stakeholders in Geneva, with related conference servicing requirements, including interpretation and translation of documentation;
- (c) travel of five experts (one per each geographic region) and two Special Rapporteurs to Geneva for the one day consultation plus daily subsistence allowance.

4. The activities referred to above relate to section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs and Conference Management; section 24, Human Rights; and section 29F, Administration, Geneva, of the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.

5. Should the draft resolution be adopted by the Human Rights Council, total requirements of \$173,700 would arise for the biennium 2014-2015 as follows:

	<i>Total requirements (Biennial)</i>	<i>Net additional requirements 2014-2015</i>
<b>Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management</b>		
Simultaneous interpretation	13,000	13,000
Pre-session documentation	8,700	8,700
Post-session documentation	31,100	31,100
Other requirements	800	800
<b>Subtotal section 2</b>	<b>53,600</b>	<b>53,600</b>
<b>Section 24, Human rights</b>		
Travel of 2 Special Rapporteurs	11,600	11,600
Travel of 5 experts, one from each region	21,300	21,300
Consultant at the P-5level for 9 months	86,400	86,400
<b>Subtotal section 24</b>	<b>119,300</b>	<b>119,300</b>
<b>Section 29F, Administration, Geneva</b>		
Sound technicians/recording	800	800
<b>Subtotal section 29F</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>800</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>173,700</b>	<b>173,700</b>

6. Accordingly, should the Council adopt draft resolution A/HRC/25/L.20, the related additional requirements for 2014-2015 of \$173,700 would arise, including \$53,600 under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs and Conference Management, \$119,300 under section 24, Human Rights, and \$800 under Section 29F Administration, Geneva of the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015.

7. Provisions for the requested activities have not been included under the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015; hence, an additional appropriation of \$173,700 would be required to support this new mandate as a result of the adoption of this draft resolution.

8. These requirements, in accordance with established procedures, would be brought to the attention of the General Assembly, at its 69th session, in the context of the annual report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council during 2014, in which it would be determined whether some of the additional requirements could be met within the provisions of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015. The balance of those additional requirements is to be requested in the context of the contingency fund, established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 41/213 and 42/211.

