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Draft resolution on the Strategic Plan for 2014-2019 and the work programme and budget of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme for the biennium 2014–2015

The Governing Council,

Recalling the commitments made by Governments in the United Nations Millennium Declaration to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and to achieving *inter alia* a significant improvement in the lives of at least 100 million slum-dwellers by 2020¹ and in the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development² to reducing by half the proportion of people without access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation by 2015,

Taking note of the progress made to date in the implementation of the medium-term strategic and institutional plan (MTSIP) as reported through the six-monthly and annual progress reports as well as the findings from independent reviews and evaluations of the implementation of the MTSIP 2008-2013,

Noting with appreciation steps taken to improve UN Habitat's implementation of its strategic plan and work program, including policies and systems to improve efficiency and productivity, measures to enhance accountability and transparency, and clearly articulated strategic priorities,

Recalling the General Assembly resolution A/RES/67/226 of 22 January 2013 on the Quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system,

Recalling its resolution 23/11 of 13 April 2011 requesting the Executive Director, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, to prepare a strategic plan for 2014-2019 for submission to the Governing Council for its review and approval at its twenty fourth session,

Further recalling the request to the Executive Director, working in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, to ensure that the results-based strategic framework and work programme and budget documents for the biennium 2014-2015 are aligned with the strategic plan for 2014-2019,

¹ General Assembly resolution 55/2 of 8 September 2000.

² 2 *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa,*

Having considered the draft strategic framework 2014-2015 and the proposed work programme and budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the biennium 2014–2015 and the recommendations set forth in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,

1. *Approves* the strategic plan for the period 2014-2019 and the work programme for the biennium 2014-2015, taking into account the relevant decisions of the Governing Council;

2. *Further approves* the general-purpose budget of 45,617,400 United States dollars and endorses the special-purpose budget of 123,187,800 United States dollars for the biennium 2014–2015 detailed in the proposed work programme and budget for 2014–2015 and notes an estimated technical cooperation funding of 202,482,400 United States dollars;

3. The general purpose resources are allocated for the biennium 2014-2015 for the purposes indicated in the following table (thousands of United States dollars):

	General purpose resources for the biennium 2014-2015 (thousands of United States dollars)	Amount
1	Urban legislation, land and governance	3,113.2
2	Urban planning and design	4,236.9
3	Urban economy	3,348.6
4	Housing and slum upgrading	3,637.6
5	Urban basic services	3,889.8
6	Risk reduction and rehabilitation	4,426.2
7	Research and capacity development	4,453.4
8	Executive Direction & Management	13,775.7
9	Programme Support	4,736.0

4. *Requests* the Executive Director in his efforts to mobilise resources for UN-Habitat to take measures to broaden the donor base of the foundation general purpose and develop, in consultation with member states, tools to ensure a more balanced contribution by member states to the overall budget of UN-Habitat;

5. *Requests* the Executive Director to consult with the Committee of Permanent Representatives during the preparation of results-based strategic framework and work programme and budget documents for the biennium 2016–2017, and to ensure that the two documents are aligned with the strategic plan for 2014–2019;

6. *Calls upon* the Executive Director to report annually to Governments through the Committee of Permanent Representatives and to the Governing Council at its twenty-fifth session on progress made in implementation of the strategic plan and work programme activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme;

7. *Requests* the Executive Director to continue mainstreaming cross-cutting issues in UN-Habitat programmes, projects and activities in line with UN-Habitat's mandate and to allocate adequate resources accordingly;

8. *Requests* the Executive Director to continue strengthening implementation of results-based management in all UN-Habitat's programmes, projects, policies and activities;
 9. *Authorizes* the Executive Director, with a view to ensuring better conformity with the practices in other United Nations bodies, to reallocate resources between subprogrammes up to a maximum of 10 per cent, and to consult the Committee of Permanent Representatives of any allocation above that contained in the programme of work and budget approved by the Governing Council;
 10. *Also authorizes* the Executive Director, if necessary, to reallocate funds in excess of 10 per cent and up to 20 per cent of the subprogrammes in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives;
 11. *Further authorizes* the Executive Director to adjust, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, the level of allocations to subprogrammes, bringing them in line with possible variations in income compared to the approved level of appropriations;
 12. *Reiterates* its call to all Member States for continued financial support to the United Nations Human Settlements Programme through increased voluntary contributions and invites more Governments, and other stakeholders to provide predictable multi-year funding and increase non-earmarked contributions to support the implementation of the strategic plan 2014-2019;
 13. *Requests* the Executive Director at the 25th session of UN-Habitat's Governing Council to report on UN-Habitat's implementation of the Resolution 67/226 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of the operational activities for development of the UN system;
 14. *Requests* the Executive Director to develop and implement a cost recovery framework, based on the United Nations guiding principle of full cost recovery, from core and earmarked resources, using a simple, transparent and harmonized methodology;
 15. *Also requests* the Executive Director to continue his current emphasis on results for the achievement of the programme objectives, and for the efficient and transparent use of resources to that end, subjected to United Nations processes of review, evaluation and oversight;
 16. *Also requests* the Executive Director to continue to ensure that trust funds and earmarked contributions to the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, are used to fund activities that are in line with the programme of work;
 17. *Requests* the Executive Director to submit for approval in its twenty-fifth session, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, a prioritized, results-oriented and streamlined programme of work and budget for the biennium 2016-2017 that monitors and manages the share of resources devoted respectively to administrative costs and programme activities, while clearly prioritizing the application of the resources to programme activities;
 18. *Requests* the Executive Director to report to the Governing Council at its twenty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution.
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