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Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (UNMIT)

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Mr. Chairman,
Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,

I have the honour to introduce the Secretary-General's note on the financing arrangements for the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (UNMIT) for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013, contained in document A/67/618.

By its resolution 66/270 of 21 June 2012, the General Assembly appropriated an amount of \$162.2 million for the 2012/13 period, inclusive of \$155.4 million for the maintenance of the Mission, \$6.4 million for the support account and \$0.4 million for UNLB. The General Assembly assessed on Member States the amount of \$78.4 million for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2012, including \$75 million for the maintenance of the Mission, \$3.2 million for the support account and \$0.2 million for UNLB. Projected expenditures for the maintenance of the mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2012 are estimated at \$86.6 million, which is \$11.6 million above the assessed amount for the same period, due to the drawdown of the mission.

By its resolution 66/270, the General Assembly also decided to assess \$84 million for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2013 subject to a decision of the Security

Council to extend the mandate of the Mission. The report of the Secretary-General to the Security Council (S/2012/765) recommended that UNMIT continue with its phased drawdown until the completion of its mandate on 31 December 2012. The report of the Security Council mission to Timor-Leste (S/2012/889) indicated that the mission concurred with the Secretary-General's recommendation. The anticipated liquidation activities from 1 January to 30 April 2013, subject to a decision of the Security Council, are estimated to amount to \$10.1 million.

Should the Security Council not extend the mandate of UNMIT beyond 31 December 2012, the cost of the Mission's drawdown and anticipated administrative liquidation would be within the resources approved by resolution 66/270. Given that requirements were assessed only up to 31 December 2012, and pending issuance and approval of a revised budget subject to a decision of the Security Council, an additional assessment of **\$25,076,250** is requested within the approved appropriation in order to fund the Mission's operations, and including requirements of \$3.4 million for the support account and UNLB.

The actions to be taken by the General Assembly in respect of the financing of UNMIT is set out in paragraph 13 of the note by the Secretary-General (A/67/618).

Mr. Chairman,

Distinguished Delegates,

I look forward to the discussion on this item.

Thank you.