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**Statement of the Chairman
Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)**

16 December 2013

**Budget for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in
Mali for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014**

ACABQ report: A/68/653

Report of the Secretary-General: A/68/538

Mr. Chairman,

I am pleased to introduce the Advisory Committee's report on the proposed budget for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA) for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 (A/68/653).

The Advisory Committee recommends appropriation of \$608,548,200 for the maintenance of the Mission for the 12-month period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014, inclusive of the amount of \$366,774,500 previously authorized by the General Assembly in resolution 67/286.

Under civilian staffing, the Committee recommends reductions of 1 P-5, 7 P-4, 4