3. The remainder of the increase in resources for cluster II in 2018 compared to 2017 is mainly under 4 SPMs: the Panel of Experts on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in relation to new tasks mandated by the Security Council and to security requirements; the Analytical Support and Sanctions Monitoring Team, and Implementation of Security Council resolution 2231 (2015) due to lower vacancy rates applied in 2018 to new positions approved in the previous period, as well as tasks mandated by the Security Council for the former; and the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate due to new tasks mandated by the Security Council, for which 6 new posts are proposed to be established. These increased resources are partly offset by reduced resource requirements for 6 special political missions.