



The report is composed of three sections and two annexes: Section I introduces the report, followed by Section II which provides an update on three priority achievements that are integral to enabling faster, more sustainable progress and strengthening the accountability system under the new management paradigm:

- (a) Improving the system of delegation of authority;
- (b) Strengthening the implementation of results-based management; and
- (c) Establishing the Business Transformation and Accountability Division.

With regards to the improvement of the system of delegation of authority, on 1 January 2019, the Secretary General introduced a revised framework for delegation of authority emphasizing transparency, accountability and decision-making that is closer to the point of mandate and programme delivery.

Under this revised framework, numerous authorities that, historically, have been held centrally at Headquarters or other centralized offices, have now been delegated to entities across the Secretariat, expanding their decision-making authority associated with financial matters, administration of staffing, property management, and procurement of goods and services. This delegation has been accompanied by a strong Accountability Framework for Monitoring the Exercise of Delegated Decision-Making Authority

The implementation of results-based management is very important to drive a results-based culture in the Organization, which is one of the main priorities of the Management reforms. For this purpose, on 1 January 2019, the Secretary-General established a dedicated results-based management function in DMSPC -within the Business, Transformation and Accountability Division- to work with individual departments

reflected in planning documents and are reported to Member States

Annex III provides details about the progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/303.

The Secretary-General remains committed to continuing to further strengthen the accountability system.

Thank you very much.