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ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY COMMITTEE (FIFTH COMMITTEE)

**Report on the results of the survey to support the review of the standard rate of
reimbursement to troop- and police-contributing countries**

(A/76/676)

and

Report on the post-traumatic stress disorder framework for uniformed personnel

(A/76/662)

Introductory remarks

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Mr. Chairman, distinguished Delegates,

It is an honour to introduce the report on the results of the survey to support the review of the standard rate of reimbursement to troop- and police-contributing countries, [Document A/76/676] and the report on the post-traumatic stress disorder framework for uniformed personnel [Document A/76/662].

Quadrennial Survey

Based on the recommendations of a Senior Advisory Group (SAG), General Assembly resolution 67/261 of 2013 established the methodological framework to inform the periodical consideration by the General Assembly of the reimbursement rate for contingent personnel deployed by troop- and police-contributing countries. As you will be aware, the General Assembly in its resolution 68/281 of 2014 pronounced itself on the results of the first survey under this new methodology. Further, the General Assembly in its resolution 72/285 of 2018 established a new reimbursement rate which took effect on 1 July 2018.

The report before you includes the results of the third, and most recent, survey of those costs incurred by a specific sample of ten troop- and police-contributing countries contributing uniformed personnel in formed units: Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, India, Italy, Morocco, Nepal, Pakistan, Rwanda, and South Africa. I wish to again express my most sincere gratitude to the ten participating countries for their support to, and engagement with, the Secretariat teams. The active participation and openness of all participating countries again highlights the critical importance attached to the survey process and to the overall reimbursement framework.

My department provided the ten participating countries with a questionnaire requesting data in the five cost categories specified by the General Assembly – allowances, personal kit and equipment, pre-deployment medical expenses, inland transportation, and United Nations-specific pre-deployment training. After receiving preliminary responses to the questionnaire, follow-up visits were made to nine of the ten sample countries between October 2021 and December 2021.

The United Nations faced long-standing challenges in managing PTSD among uniformed

