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TO: Ms. Hui Lu
A: Secretary of the Human Rights Council

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PP Christophe Monier

FROM: Mr. Christophe Monier, Director
DE: Programme Planning and Budget Division, OPPFB

SUBJECT: **Orals Statement of programme budget implications arising from
OBJET: draft resolution A/HRC/61/L.27/Rev.1, as orally revised, of the
Human Rights Council**

I would be grateful if the text of the attached oral statement could be read and distributed prior to adoption of draft resolution A/HRC/61/L.27/Rev.1, as orally revised, entitled "Rights of the child: realizing the rights of the child affected by armed conflict".

CC:

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ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT
RESOLUTION A/HRC/61/L.27/Rev.1, AS ORALLY REVISED, ENTITLED "Rights
of the child: realizing the rights of the child affected by armed
conflict".

1. This statement is made in accordance with rule 153 of the Rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

2. Under the terms of operative paragraphs 29 and 30 of draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.27/Rev.1, as orally revised,,** the Human Rights Council would:

(a) Decide to continue its consideration of the question of the rights of the child in accordance with its programme of work and its resolutions 7/29 of 28 March 2008 and 19/37 of 23 March 2012, and request the Office of the High Commissioner to organize its annual full-day meeting on the rights of the child in 2027 on the theme of the promotion of children's mental health and well-being, to ensure appropriate resources to support and facilitate the participation of children, ensuring that they have easy access to relevant premises, and to make the discussion fully accessible to children and to persons with disabilities (OP. 29);

(b) Request the High Commissioner to prepare a report on the rights of the child and artificial intelligence, in close cooperation with all relevant stakeholders, including States, relevant special procedure mandate holders, other relevant United Nations bodies and agencies, regional organizations and human rights bodies, national human rights institutions and civil society, including through consultations with children themselves, to make the report available in an accessible and child-friendly format and to present the report to the Human Rights Council at its sixty-sixth session, and request the Office of the High Commissioner to organize the annual full-day meeting on the rights of the child in 2028 on the theme of the rights of the child and artificial intelligence, to ensure appropriate resources to support the participation of children, ensuring that they have easy access to relevant premises, and to make the discussion fully accessible to children and to persons with disabilities (OP. 30);

3. In order to implement the mandate contained in paragraphs 29 and 30 of the draft resolution, the following activities and resources would be required in 2027 and 2028:

4. **Under Section 24, Human Rights:**

(a) General Temporary Assistance:

- One Human Rights Officer (P-3), based in Geneva, for 6 months in 2027, to prepare a report on the rights of the child and artificial intelligence, in close cooperation with all relevant stakeholders, including States, relevant Special Procedure mandate holders, other relevant United Nations bodies and agencies, regional organizations and human rights bodies, national human rights institutions and civil society, including through consultations with children themselves, to be presented to the Human Rights Council at its sixty-sixth session (OP.30);

(b) Consultants:

- One consultant at C-level (P-4) for 4 months in 2027, for the production and development of a child friendly version of the report on the rights of the child and artificial intelligence, including production of child-friendly content and format of the report, including texts, graphics and language, to make the report accessible to children (OP.30);

(c) Contractual services related to:

- Individual contractor for two weeks in 2027, to produce the report on the rights of the child and artificial intelligence in accessible formats, including easy-to-read version, to be presented at the sixty-sixth session of the Human Rights Council (OP.30);

(d) Grants and Contributions for:

- 1 trip of 1 day in each of 2027 and 2028 by 2 child panellists to Geneva, to participate in the annual full-day meeting on the rights of the child in 2027 and 2028 (OP.29, 30);
- 1 trip of 1 day in each of 2027 and 2028 by 2 accompanying adults to Geneva, to participate in the annual full-day meeting on the rights of the child in 2027 and 2028 (OP.29, 30).

5. Conference Services under: **Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, Section 29E, Administration, Geneva, for:**

- (a)** Documentation services in 2027;
- (b)** Making the meetings specified accessible to persons with disabilities, which includes International Sign interpretation and live captioning in English.

6. The activities referred to above relate to **Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, Section 24, Human rights and Section 29E,**

Administration, Geneva of the programme budget for the years 2027 and 2028.

7. The adoption of the draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.27/Rev.1, as orally revised**, would give rise to total requirements as follows:

(United States Dollars)

	<i>Included in the Budget (Annually)</i>	<i>Additional requirements 2027 (non- recurrent)</i>	<i>Additional requirements 2028 (non- recurrent)</i>	<i>Total Recurrent</i>	<i>Total Non- Recurrent</i>
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management					
Documentation	-	23 400	-	-	23 400
Accessibility services	13 400	-	-	13 400	-
Subtotal, Section 2	13 400	23 400	-	13 400	23 400
Section 24, Human rights					
Other staff costs (GTA)	-	116 700	-	-	116 700
Consultants	-	47 500	-	-	47 500
Contractual services	-	3 200	-	-	3 200
Grants and contributions	-	17 200	17 200	-	34 400
Subtotal, Section 24	-	184 600	17 200	-	201 800
Section 29E, Administration, Geneva					
Accessibility services	1 100	-	-	1 100	-
Subtotal, Section 29E	1 100	-	-	1 100	-
Total	14 500	208 000	17 200	14 500	225 200

8. As reflected in the table above, requirements would arise as follows:

- a. Annual requirements of \$14,500, which have already been included in the programme budget for 2026 and the proposed programme budget for 2027, owing to the perennial nature of the mandate.
- b. Additional requirements of \$208,000 for 2027. These requirements, in accordance with established procedures, would be brought to the attention of the General Assembly, at its 81st session under the agenda item on proposed programme budget for 2027.
- c. Requirements of \$17,200, which would be included in the proposed programme budget for 2028.