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

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REFERENCE:


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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.34 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.34, entitled "Assistance technique et renforcement des capacités visant à améliorer la situation des droits de l'homme en Haïti, en lien avec la demande des autorités haïtiennes d'une action internationale coordonnée et ciblée".

cc:

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ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT RESOLUTION A/HRC/61/L.34 ENTITLED "Assistance technique et renforcement des capacités visant à améliorer la situation des droits de l'homme en Haïti, en lien avec la demande des autorités haïtiennes d'une action internationale coordonnée et ciblée".

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 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 15 of draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.34**, the Human Rights Council would:

(a) Request the Office of the High Commissioner to cooperate with the Government of Haiti by providing technical assistance and support for building the human rights promotion and protection capacities of the Haitian judiciary, security forces and prison administration, to enable it to pursue its strategy for combating armed gang activity and restoring the rule of law and to support the implementation of the recommendations made and accepted during the last cycle of the universal periodic review (OP. 8);

(b) Decide to extend, for a renewable period of one year, the mandate of the independent human rights expert appointed by the High Commissioner and tasked with undertaking, with the assistance of the Office of the High Commissioner and in collaboration with the United Nations Integrated Office in Haiti, the monitoring of the human rights situation in Haiti, ensuring, in particular, the inclusion of a gender perspective in all of his work (OP. 9);

(c) Request the independent expert to devote greater attention to the situation of children, women and girls and to trafficking in persons, to monitor the impact of illicit arms trafficking on the human rights situation in Haiti and to formulate recommendations to consolidate national, regional and international responses on this issue (OP. 10);

(d) Also request the independent expert to provide advice and technical assistance to the Government of Haiti, national human rights institutions and civil society organizations, including women's rights organizations, to assist in their efforts to ensure respect for and the promotion and protection of human rights (OP. 11);

(e) Request the High Commissioner to provide to the Council, within the framework of an interactive dialogue with the participation of the independent human rights expert, an oral update on the situation of human rights in Haiti at its sixty-third session and a report on the subject at its sixty-fourth session (OP. 13);

(f) Request the Secretary-General to make available to the Office of the High Commissioner the financial, technical and logistical support required for the establishment of an office of the High Commissioner in Haiti (OP. 15);

Designated Expert

3. In order to implement the mandate contained in paragraphs 9, 10 and 11 of the draft resolution, **from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027**, the following activities and resources would be required in 2026 and 2027:

4. Under Section 24, Human Rights:

(a) General Temporary Assistance:

- One Human Rights Officer (P-3), based in Panama City;

(b) Consultants:

- National consultant to conduct research and produce analytical reports on issues of international human rights law, with a specific focus on human rights issues related to children, women, human trafficking, and trafficking of weapons;

(c) Travel of Representatives:

- Annual travel of the designated expert: 3 trips to Geneva, to participate in the interactive dialogues during the presentation of the HC oral update and the HC report; to hold an annual consultation with States, OHCHR and relevant stakeholders; and two country visits;

(d) Travel of staff:

- 2 trips by 1 Staff to accompany the designated expert during country visits;
- **NEW:** 2 trips by 1 staff to Geneva to accompany the designated expert;

(e) General Operating Expenses

- Miscellaneous general operating expenses;

- Rental and maintenance of premises;
- (f) Supplies and Materials**
 - Miscellaneous supplies and materials;
- (g) Furniture and equipment**
 - Miscellaneous furniture and equipment;
- (h) Grants and Contributions for:**
 - **Reduction:** Participants to Geneva;

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

- (a)** Interpretation services for meetings;
- (b)** Reduction to Documentation;

6. The activities referred to above relate to **Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management and Section 24, Human rights** of the programme budget for the years 2026 and 2027.

7. The adoption of the draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.34** with respect to the **Designated Expert** mandate, would give rise to total requirements as follows:

(United States dollars)

<i>Budget section / Object of expenditure</i>	<i>Included in the Budget (Annually)</i>	<i>Reduced requirements for 2026 (non-recurrent)</i>	<i>Reduced requirements for 2027 (Recurrent)</i>	<i>Total recurrent requirements</i>	<i>Total non-recurrent requirements</i>
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management					
Simultaneous interpretation	52 200	-	-	52 200	-
Documentation	123 900	(123 900)	(123 900)	-	(123 900)
Subtotal, Section 2	176 100	(123 900)	(123 900)	52 200	(123 900)
Section 24, Human rights					
Other staff costs (GTA)	189 300	-	-	189 300	-
Consultants	30 900	-	-	30 900	-
Travel of representatives	29 900	-	-	29 900	-
Travel of staff	6 700	11 100	11 100	17 800	11 100
General Operating Expenses	29 600	-	-	29 600	-
Supplies and materials	800	-	-	800	-
Furniture and equipment	2 200	-	-	2 200	-

Grants and contributions	11 100	(11 100)	(11 100)	-	(11 100)
Subtotal, Section 24	300 500	-	-	300 500	-
Total	476 600	(123 900)	(123 900)	352 700	(123 900)

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

- a. Annual requirements of \$476,600, 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. Reduced non-recurrent requirements of \$123,900 for 2026.
- c. Reduced recurrent requirements of \$123,900 for 2027.

9. These requirements, in accordance with established procedures, would be brought to the attention of the General Assembly, at its 81st session, in the context of the annual report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council during 2026.

Technical Assistance / Technical Cooperation and Capacity-Building

10. In order to implement the mandate contained in paragraphs 8, 13 and 15 of the draft resolution, **from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027**, the following activities and resources would be required in 2026 and 2027:

11. Under Section 24, Human Rights:

(a) General Temporary Assistance:

Continuation of four existing GTAs, based in Port-Au-Prince, for 12 months:

Count	Level	Function
1	P-3	Programme Manager Officer
1	NO-C	Human Rights Officer
1	NO-B	Associate Human Rights Officer
1	GS (OL)	Administrative Assistant
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(b) Travel of staff:

- Travel of staff to interview victims and witnesses and collect information from intergovernmental, governmental, and non-governmental organizations that assist them;

(c) General Operating Expenses:

- Rental and maintenance of premises;
- Local transportation (rental of vehicles);
- Miscellaneous general operating expenses;
- Rental of conference rooms and equipment;

(d) Supplies and Materials:

- Office expendable supplies;
- Miscellaneous supplies and materials;

(e) Furniture and equipment:

- Acquisition of security and safety equipment;

(f) Grants and Contributions for:

- Travel of participants to workshops;
- Travel of witnesses;

12. Conference Services under: **Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, for:**

- (a)** Reduction to Documentation services;

13. The activities referred to above relate to **Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management and Section 24, Human rights** of the programme budget for the years 2026 and 2027.

14. The adoption of the draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.34** with respect to the **Technical Assistance / Technical Cooperation and Capacity-Building** mandate, would give rise to total requirements as follows:

(United States dollars)

<i>Budget section / Object of expenditure</i>	<i>Included in the Budget (Annually)</i>	<i>Reduced requirements for 2026 (non-recurrent)</i>	<i>Reduced requirements for 2027 (recurrent)</i>	<i>Total recurrent requirements</i>	<i>Total non-recurrent requirements</i>
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management					
Documentation	46 800	(23 400)	(23 400)	23 400	(23 400)
Subtotal, Section 2	46 800	(23 400)	(23 400)	23 400	(23 400)
Section 24, Human rights					
Other staff costs (GTA)	412 800	-	-	412 800	-
Travel of staff	40 500	-	-	40 500	-
General Operating Expenses	99 400	-	-	99 400	-
Supplies and materials	800	-	-	800	-
Furniture and equipment	13 400	-	-	13 400	-
Grants and contributions	78 900	-	-	78 900	-
Subtotal, Section 24	645 800	-	-	645 800	-
Total	692 600	(23 400)	(23 400)	669 200	(23 400)

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

- a. Annual requirements of \$692,600, 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. Reduced non-recurrent requirements of \$23,400 for 2026.
- c. Reduced recurrent requirements of \$23,400 for 2027.

16. These requirements, in accordance with established procedures, would be brought to the attention of the General Assembly, at its 81st session, in the context of the annual report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council during 2026.

17. With regard to operative paragraph 15, the attention of the Human Rights Council is drawn to the provisions of section VI of General Assembly resolution 45/248B of 21 December 1990, and subsequent resolutions, the most recent of which is resolution 80/242 of 30 December 2025, in which the Assembly reaffirmed that the Fifth Committee is the appropriate Main Committee of the

Assembly entrusted with the responsibilities for administrative and budgetary matters, and reaffirmed the role of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.