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

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FROM: Mr. Christophe Monier, Director  
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SUBJECT: **Orals Statement of programme budget implications arising from**  
OBJET: **draft resolution A/HRC/61/L.36, 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.36, as orally revised, entitled "Israeli settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan".

CC:

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ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT RESOLUTION A/HRC/61/L.36, as orally revised, ENTITLED "Israeli settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan".

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 paragraph 13 of draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.36, as orally revised**, the Human Rights Council would:

(a) Reiterate its request to the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and Israel, as mandated by the Human Rights Council in its resolutions 55/32 of 5 April 2024 and 58/28 of 4 April 2025, to prepare a report on the identities of settlers, as well as settler groups and their members, that have engaged in or continue to engage in acts of violence, intimidation, harassment or terror against Palestinian civilians and the actions taken by Israel, the occupying Power, and by third States to ensure accountability for violations or abuses of international law in this regard, and requests, instead, that the report be submitted to the Council at its sixty-seventh session (OP. 13);

3. In order to implement the mandate contained in paragraph 13 of the draft resolution, the following activities and resources would be required in 2026, 2027 and 2028:

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

**(a) General Temporary Assistance:**

- **One Human Rights Adviser (P-4)**, based in Geneva, for 12 months in 2027, and 3 months in 2028, to act as lead legal officer in coordinating the investigation and analysis of documenting violent settlers and settler groups; conduct legal analysis utilizing the domestic criminal law framework related to individual responsibility; conduct legal analysis on domestic crimes committed by individual settlers and settler groups; identify the individuals and settler groups for accountability purposes; develop and implement the international legal framework for state responsibility; develop and analyse the international legal framework for ensuring accountability; carry out field missions relevant and necessary as required in paragraph 13 of

draft resolution A/HRC/61/L.36, as orally revised; act as the lead drafter and take ultimate responsibility for the quality and timely delivery of the report to be submitted to the Human Rights Council as of its sixty-seventh session;

- **One Human Rights Officer (P-3)**, based in Geneva, for 12 months in 2027, and 3 months in 2028, to investigate and collect information on the acts committed by and the identities of individual violent settlers and settler groups; identify individuals and members of the settler groups who have committed acts of terror, violence or intimidation against civilians; update the information repository with information collected related to the individuals and groups; carry out the research, information gathering, and analysis as required in paragraph 13 of draft resolution A/HRC/61/L.36, as orally revised; carry out field missions relevant and necessary as required in paragraph 13 of draft resolution A/HRC/61/L.36, as orally revised; provide drafts and inputs to the report to be submitted to the Human Rights Council as of its sixty-seventh session;

**(b) Travel of staff:**

- Four trips of eight working days, plus a weekend, by two staff to visit Israel, the occupied Palestinian territory and other concerned countries in 2027;
- Four trips of eight working days, plus a weekend, by language interpreters to visit Israel, the occupied Palestinian territory and other concerned countries in 2027;

**(c) Contractual services related to:**

- Two language support staff to provide interpretation during field missions;
- Yearly subscriptions to commercial databases and information repositories;

**(d) General Operating Expenses**

- Delivery costs;
- Rental of vehicle for field visit;
- Communication costs;

**(e) Supplies and Materials**

- Office supplies;

**(f) Furniture and equipment**

- Miscellaneous furniture, office and safety equipment.

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

(a) Documentation services;

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, 2027 and 2028.

7. The adoption of the draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.36, as orally revised** would give rise to total requirements as follows:

(United States dollars)

<i>Budget section / Object of expenditure</i>	<i>Additional non-recurrent requirements for 2026</i>	<i>Additional non-recurrent requirements for 2027</i>	<i>Additional non-recurrent requirements for 2028</i>	<i>Total non-recurrent requirements</i>
<b>Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management</b>				
Documentation	(29 400)	-	29 400	-
<b>Subtotal, Section 2</b>	<b>(29 400)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29 400</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Section 24, Human rights</b>				
Other staff costs (GTA)	-	448 300	112 100	560 400
Travel of staff	-	84 800	-	84 800
Contractual services	-	45 400	500	45 900
General Operating Expenses	-	62 000	5 900	67 900
Supplies and materials	-	7 200	1 800	9 000
Furniture and equipment	-	22 700	-	22 700
<b>Subtotal, Section 24</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>670 400</b>	<b>120 300</b>	<b>790 700</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>(29 400)</b>	<b>670 400</b>	<b>149 700</b>	<b>790 700</b>

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

- a. Reduced non-recurrent requirements of \$29,400 for 2026. 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 report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council during 2026.
- b. Additional non-recurrent requirements of \$670,400 for 2027. These requirements, in accordance with established procedures, would be brought to the attention of the General

Assembly, at its 81<sup>st</sup> session under the agenda item on proposed programme budget for 2027.

- c. Non-recurrent requirements of \$149,700 for 2028. which would be included in the proposed programme budget for 2028.