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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: **Oral Statement of programme budget implications arising from draft
OBJET: resolution A/HRC/61/L.3 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.3, entitled "Sixtieth anniversary of the adoption of the International Covenants on Human Rights".

CC:

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ORAL STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARIAT IN CONNECTION WITH DRAFT RESOLUTION A/HRC/61/L.3 ENTITLED "Sixtieth anniversary of the adoption of the International Covenants on Human Rights".

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 7 of draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.3**, the Human Rights Council would:

(a) Decide to convene at its sixty-third session a high-level panel discussion accessible for persons with disabilities on the topic "The sixtieth anniversary of the International Covenants on Human Rights: universality, indivisibility, interdependence and interrelatedness of all human rights", in order to give the sixtieth anniversary of the International Covenants on Human Rights attention commensurate with its historical significance (OP. 7).

3. In order to implement the mandate contained in paragraph 7 of the draft resolution, the following activities and resources would be required:

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

(a) Making the meetings specified accessible to persons with disabilities, which includes International Sign interpretation and live captioning in English, in 2026.

5. The activities referred to above relate to **Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management and Section 29E, Administration, Geneva** of the programme budget for the year 2026.

6. The adoption of the draft resolution **A/HRC/61/L.3** would give rise to total requirements as follows:

(United States Dollars)

<i>Budget section / Object of expenditure</i>	<i>2026</i>	
	<i>Non-Recurrent</i>	<i>Total</i>
Section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management		
Accessibility services	13 100	13 100
Subtotal, Section 2	13 100	13 100
Section 29E, Administration, Geneva		
Accessibility services	1 100	1 100

Subtotal, Section 29E	1 100	1 100
Total	14 200	14 200

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

- a. Additional requirements of \$14,200 for 2026. The Secretariat would make all efforts to accommodate these requirements within the approved appropriation for 2026.