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**Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI)**

**FIFTH COMMITTEE**

**Statement by**

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Mr. Chairman,  
Excellencies,  
Distinguished Delegates,

I am pleased to introduce the supplementary estimates on the financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, contained in document A/66/529.

By its resolution 65/294 of 30 June 2011, the General Assembly appropriated an amount of \$486.7 million for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 for the maintenance of the Operation, which provides for the deployment of 8,642 military and police personnel, 1,237 international and national staff, including general temporary assistance positions, 176 United Nations Volunteers, 16 Government-provided personnel, and related operational costs.

The Security Council, by its resolution 2000 (2011) of 27 July 2011, extended the mandate of UNOCI until 31 July 2012 and decided that the authorized strength of the military and police components shall be 11,142 personnel.

In order to implement Security Council resolution 2000 (2011), additional funding of \$165.7 million and additional 265 civilian and 26 government-provided personnel are being requested. The additional staffing requirements are primarily required to support the coordination of legislative elections and associated certification activities, as well as for security sector reform, disarmament, demobilization and reintegration (DDR), human rights and civil affairs. This represents a 34.1 per cent increase over the initial apportionment approved for the 2011/12 budget period.

The proposed supplementary requirements include provisions for the authorized additional military and police personnel (\$65.5 million), and for the proposed additional civilian personnel (\$23.4 million).

Further, major other additional requirements include provisions for facilities and infrastructure, mainly for acquisition of prefabricated facilities and related construction, maintenance and security services associated with the establishment of new camps, and self-sustainment costs of military contingents (\$34.5 million). Costs primarily associated with support of DDR initiatives, and clearing of unexploded ordnance and management of weapons and ammunition amount to some \$20.4 million.

#### **Actions to be taken by the General Assembly**

The actions requested from the General Assembly are set out in **paragraph 99** of the report by the Secretary-General.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.