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Mr. Chairman,
Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,

I am pleased to introduce the report on the budget for the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 contained in document A/66/532.

The proposed budget amounts to \$738.3 million, and provides for 7,000 military personnel, 900 civilian police personnel, 3,553 civilian staff and 81 government provided personnel.

By its resolution 65/257B of 30 June 2011, the General Assembly noted the intention of the Security Council, as stated in its resolution 1978 (2011), to

establish a successor mission to the United Nations Mission in the Sudan (UNMIS), and authorized the Secretary-General to draw upon the resources approved for UNMIS in entering into commitments for a successor mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2011.

By its resolution 1996 (2011) of 8 July 2011, the Security Council established the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) and decided that the mission will consist of up to 7,000 military personnel, including military liaison officers and staff officers, up to 900 civilian police personnel and an appropriate civilian component.

The standardized funding model has been used for the first time, to develop the budget proposal, applying the start-up mission profile of 10,000 uniformed personnel operating in a large mission area and facing a challenging logistical environment. The standardized funding model is based on an assessment of what is realistically achievable in a start-up environment in the first year of operations.

The UNMISS budget proposal, based on the standardized funding model, comprises the following elements: (1) Mandate-specific results-based budgeting frameworks for the substantive and support components of the Mission; (2) Detailed justification of the staffing levels proposed; and (3) Financial resources based on the scenario and profile that most closely resembles the mandate of UNMISS.

Actions to be taken by the General Assembly

The actions requested from the General Assembly are set out in **paragraph 223** of the report of the Secretary-General.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.