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# Agenda item 134 Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

Thematic cluster II: sanctions monitoring teams, groups and panels
Analytical Support and Sanctions Monitoring Team pursuant to resolutions 1526
(2004) and 2253 (2015) concerning ISIL (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and the Taliban and
associated individuals and entities; and
Implementation of Security Council resolution 2231 (2015)

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### FIFTH COMMITTEE

Statement by

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Mr. Chairman,

Distinguished delegates,

- 1. I have the honour to introduce addendum 9 (A/70/348) of the report of the Secretary-General in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council under thematic cluster II, specifically for the proposed additional resources for the Analytical Support and Sanctions Monitoring Team pursuant to Security Council resolutions 1526 (2004) and 2253 (2015) concerning ISIL (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities; and for the proposed additional resources for the Implementation of Security Council resolution 2231 (2015) on the Iranian nuclear issue.
- 2. In its resolution 2253 (2015), the Security Council expanded the mandate of the Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee, in particular with regard to the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (Da'esh). In

paragraph 90 of the resolution, the Security Council called for up to two new experts on the Monitoring Team, together with the additional administrative and analytical support resources needed to increase its capacity and strengthen its ability to analyse ISIL financing, radicalization and recruitment, and attack planning activities, as well as to support the resulting increased activities of the Committee by the Secretariat. In paragraph 48, the Security Council directed the Secretariat, with the assistance of the Monitoring Team, to build and maintain the enhanced data model approved by the Committee, with a view to its completion by June 2017. The proposed additional requirements would amount to \$1,968,300.

- 3. In its resolution 2231 (2015), the Security Council endorsed the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action on the Iranian nuclear issue. In paragraph 18 of the resolution, the Security Council requested the Secretary-General to take the necessary administrative measures to facilitate communications with Member States and between the Council and the Joint Commission. The Secretary-General was also requested, by the same resolution and by a note by the President of the Security Council dated 16 January 2016 (S/2016/44), to report to the Council every six months on its implementation. The proposed additional requirements would amount to \$1,342,900.
- 4. Furthermore, in line with paragraph 7 (a) of the said resolution and the receipt by the Security Council of the report from the International Atomic Energy Agency, the resolutions establishing and extending the Panel of Experts on the Islamic Republic of Iran were terminated effective 16 January 2016. Consequently, an unspent balance in the amount of \$2.3 million is projected following the termination of the Panel.
- 5. The total proposed additional resources for the two offices presented under addendum 9 of the report of the Secretary-General in respect of thematic cluster II amounts to \$3,311,200. However, with the proposed utilization of the unspent balance following the termination of the mandate of the Panel of Experts on the Islamic Republic of Iran, the net charge that would be made against the provisions for special political missions appropriated under section 3, Political affairs, of the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 would amount to \$993,600.

Mr. Chairman, Distinguished Delegates, I look forward to the discussions on this item.