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**Agenda item 165**  
**Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID)**

**FIFTH COMMITTEE**

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Madam Chair,  
Distinguished Delegates,

1. I have the honour to introduce the report of the Secretary-General on the revised budget for 2018/19 for agenda item **165-UNAMID**, the hybrid Operation in Darfur.
2. The proposed 2018/19 revised budget for UNAMID amounts to \$727.5 million, which represents a decrease of 20.1 per cent (\$183.4 million) from the 2017/18 approved budget. This reduction reflects the repatriation of uniformed personnel and the abolishment of civilian personnel posts, in accordance with the reconfiguration of the Operation as per Security Council resolutions 2363 (2017) and 2429 (2018). During the 2018/19 period, the Operation proposes to establish a new structure, the state liaison functions, as part of a transition concept for the withdrawal of the Operation over a two-year time frame. Under this structure, the Operation will work in collaboration with the United Nations country team in order to sustain peace in Darfur and enable the Government of the Sudan, the United Nations country team, civil society partners and international actors to prepare for the Operation's envisaged exit.
3. Considering the amount of \$385.7 million previously assessed for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2018 under the terms of General Assembly resolution 72/259 B, an additional amount of \$341.8 million would have to be assessed for the period 1 January to 30 June 2019.

Madam Chair, Distinguished Delegates, I look forward to the discussions on this item.