

Statement of the Chairman

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)

18 December 2019

**Second performance report for the biennium 2018-2019 and proposed budget for 2020
for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals**

(ACABQ report: A/74/593; related Secretary-General's reports: A/74/566 and A/74/355)

Mr Chairman,

I am pleased to introduce the report of the Advisory Committee on the second performance report for the biennium 2018-2019 and proposed budget for 2020 for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals.

On the second performance report, the Advisory Committee recommends that the General Assembly approve a final appropriation for the biennium 2018-2019 of \$185,428,300 gross for the Mechanism.

In respect of the proposed budget for 2020, the Advisory Committee recommends the approval of the Secretary-General's proposal for post resources. On non-post resources, the Advisory Committee recommends a reduction of \$3,297,800 related to the possible apprehension of a fugitive, as the resources should be requested when the fugitive is apprehended. The Advisory Committee also considers that the request for the number and duration of general temporary assistance positions is not fully justified, and recommends a reduction of \$1,629,900. Under travel on official business, taking into consideration the proposed trips, including for training travel, the Advisory Committee recommends a reduction of \$62,900.

Thank you, Mr Chairman.