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Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

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Mr. Chairman,
Distinguished Delegates,

1. I have the honour to introduce the note of the Secretary-General on the financing of UNAMID, the hybrid Operation in Darfur, under agenda item 163.
2. The Security Council, in its resolution 2495 (2019), requested the Secretary-General and the Chairperson of the African Union Commission to provide the Security Council with a special report no later than 31 January 2020, on the following: (a) an assessment of the situation on the ground, an update on the peace process, information on the status of previously handed-over UNAMID team sites, and recommendations on the appropriate course of action regarding the drawdown of UNAMID; as well as (b) options for a follow-on presence to UNAMID, based on the views and the needs of the Government of the Sudan.
3. In the same resolution, the Security Council expressed its intention, taking into account the findings of the Special Report requested, to decide by 31 March 2020, courses of action regarding the responsible drawdown and exit of UNAMID, and further expressed its intention to adopt a new resolution at the same time, establishing a follow-on presence to UNAMID.

4. The Secretary-General now proposes financing arrangements for the period from 1 January to 31 March 2020 in the amount of \$130.2 million to provide UNAMID with adequate resources to continue to fulfil its mandate, pending the decisions of the Council.
5. A detailed budget proposal for the 2019/20 period, which will supersede the commitment authorities approved, will be prepared for consideration during the first resumed part of the seventy-fourth session of the General Assembly.
6. Mr. Chairman, Distinguished Delegates, I look forward to the discussions on this item.