

**Permanent Mission of India  
Geneva**

**Intervention by India**

Mr. Chairperson,

We wish to express our appreciation to the Working Group on Budget Reform for the extensive research and work undertaken by the Working Group to prepare the three documents namely (i) “Proposed Revision and Consolidation of Budget Resolutions and Mechanisms (Revised Version)”, (ii) “Update on outreach to New and Non-Traditional Donors” and (iii) “Review of the Discretionary Income Projection and Reserve Mechanism”.

2. In this context, we wish to seek confirmation from the Chair that the proposals in the document on “Update on outreach to New and Non-Traditional Donors” is in conformity with the Constitution of IOM and IOM’s mandate. Specifically, clarifications would be appreciated, with examples, with regard to paragraph 8 on page 2, as to the analysis undertaken to reach the conclusion that non-traditional donors’ visits have enhanced the visibility of IOM vis-à-vis donor visits from States. In this context, detailed justification on the mode and purpose of donor visits, the need of visibility for IOM, may kindly be provided, in the context of IOM’s mandate Constitution and its strategy document.

3. We wish also to seek clarification from IOM, on the Terms of Reference for its proposed Programmatic Partnerships as per para 9 and Country-Level Initiatives as per para 10, of the same document, for collaborating with Kunhe Foundation, Disney, Ikea, US Association for International Migration, US Charity Aid Foundation, Geneva based Foundations, etc. Before consideration

of such a proposal, its conformity with the Constitution, Mandate and Strategy of IOM, needs to be confirmed.

4. With reference to the document on “Proposed Revision and Consolidation of Resolutions and Mechanisms Guiding the Budget Process”, with the Draft “Resolution on Budget Processes and Mechanisms” we wish to seek clarification on the following:-

(i) Which paragraph of the proposed new Draft Resolution is the Council Resolution No. 1076 of December 2002 on IOM’s participation in the Security System of the United Nations Department of Safety and Security, to be covered by project-related overhead income, aligned to?

(ii) Details of the mechanism proposed in part III paragraph 5 page 7 of the proposed Draft Resolution, to be maintained by the Director-General, for monitoring the income under the operational part of the Budget and its use.

(iii) Clarifications on remedial measures regarding part VI paragraph 3e of the Draft Resolution in case of hampering of the financial management of IOM due to implementation of Reserve Mechanism.

5. We would also recommend that the Draft Resolution be vetted by the External Auditor of IOM, prior to consideration by the Standing Committee on Programme and Finance.

6. With reference to the document on Review of the Discretionary Income Projection and Reserve Mechanism, we seek clarifications on details of posts, IOM Administration requires, as at paragraph 15 page 4, of the document. Clarifications may also be furnished with regard to the basis for the need of

these posts and whether or not the relevant Resolutions, governing the size of IOM's administrative structure at Headquarters and Field Offices, have been taken into account and their references cited.

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

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