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## Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme

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Item 4 of the provisional agenda

### Consideration of reports of the Standing Committee

## Report of the ninety-third meeting of the Standing Committee (17-19 June 2025)\*

### I. Introduction

1. The Standing Committee of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme (Executive Committee) held its ninety-third meeting at the Geneva International Conference Centre from 17-19 June 2025.
2. The Chairperson of the Executive Committee, the Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the United Nations Office at Geneva, opened the ninety-third meeting of the Standing Committee, The First Vice-Chairperson of the Executive Committee, the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations Office at Geneva, and Second Vice-Chairperson of the Executive Committee, the Permanent Representative of Ethiopia to the United Nations Office at Geneva, also assisted in the chairing of the meeting.
3. All documents cited in this report and all available presentations made by senior managers of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) during the meeting can be found on the Standing Committee webpage.

### II. Representation

4. The following Executive Committee members were represented at the meeting:

Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo (Republic of), Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Holy See, Hungary, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Mali, Malta, Mexico, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, New Zealand, Netherlands (Kingdom of the), Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Senegal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, the Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom of

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Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

5. Other United Nations Member States present as Standing Committee observers were as follows:

Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Indonesia, Iraq, Malaysia, Niger, Panama and Sierra Leone.

6. The European Union was represented as an observer. Also present were the following intergovernmental organizations and other entities:

International Development Law Organization, Organisation of Islamic Cooperation, and League of Arab States.

7. Present from the United Nations system, specialized agencies and related organizations were the International Organization for Migration, the World Food Programme and UN Women.

8. Sixteen non-governmental organizations were in attendance.

### **III. Adoption of the agenda**

9. The Committee adopted by consensus the following agenda for the meeting:

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. International protection:
  - (a) Note on international protection;
  - (b) Durable solutions and complementary pathways, including implementation of the Executive Committee conclusion;
  - (c) Leveraging community-based protection in evolving operational environments;
  - (d) Asylum capacity development;
  - (e) Oral update on the Executive Committee conclusion.
3. Regional activities and global programmes: Engagement of UNHCR with internally displaced persons.
4. Programme/protection policy:
  - (a) UNHCR coordination efforts to measure the impact arising from hosting, protecting and assisting refugees;
  - (b) Sustainable responses.
5. Programme budgets and funding:
  - (a) Update on budgets and funding;
  - (b) Global Report 2024;
  - (c) Review of the budget structure and management efficiencies.
6. Governance.
7. Any other business.

### **IV. Work of the ninety-third meeting**

10. The Deputy High Commissioner gave overarching remarks at the start of the meeting. The Assistant High Commissioner (Protection) then introduced the agenda item on international protection, providing an overview of the challenges and opportunities facing UNHCR in situations of forced displacement.

11. Presentations under each agenda item were made by senior management of UNHCR, and Executive Committee members and Standing Committee observers were given the opportunity to make comments and ask questions. Comprehensive summary records of the discussion will be made available on the Standing Committee webpage. The documents considered during the meeting are listed in the annex and are also available on the Standing Committee webpage.

## **V. Decision of the Standing Committee of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme**

### **A. Decision on budgets and funding for 2024 and 2025**

12. At its meeting, the Standing Committee,

Recalling the Executive Committee's decisions at its seventy-fifth session on administrative, financial and programme matters ([A/79/12/Add.1](#), para 12 (c)) as well as its discussions under the programme budgets and funding item at the ninety-second meeting of the Standing Committee in March 2025,

Reaffirming the importance of greater responsibility-sharing in solidarity with countries hosting refugees,

Recalls that the Executive Committee, at its seventy-fourth session, approved the original programmes and budgets for regional programmes, global programmes and headquarters under the UNHCR 2024 annual programme budget, amounting to \$10,621.7 million,

Notes that the final 2024 supplementary budget amounted to \$163.7 million for programmes benefiting the UNHCR programmes and projects,

Takes note of the increase in the UNHCR annual budget for 2024 to a final total of \$10,785.4 million, representing the sum of the original budget of \$10,621.7 million, the final supplementary budget of \$163.7 million,

Takes note of the financial and budgetary performance in 2024,

Recalls that the Executive Committee, at its seventy-fifth plenary session in October 2024, approved original programmes and budgets for regional programmes, global programmes and headquarters under the UNHCR 2025 annual programme budget, amounting to \$10,247.5 million ([A/AC.96/75/5](#)),

Takes note of the increase in the UNHCR annual budget for 2025 to a current total of \$10,604.2 million as of 30 April 2025, representing the sum of the original budget of \$10,247.5 million and supplementary budgets of \$356.7 million,

Recognizes that emergencies and unforeseen activities unfolding in 2025 may result in the need for additional or expanded supplementary budgets and that additional resources, over and above those for existing budgets, would be needed to meet such needs, and

Urges Member States to continue to respond generously with flexible and unearmarked contributions, in the spirit of solidarity and in a timely manner, to the High Commissioner's appeal for resources to meet in full the annual budget for 2025.

## **Annex**

### **List of documents considered by the ninety-third meeting of the Standing Committee**

Conference room papers:

- Provisional annotated agenda
  - Note on international protection
  - Durable solutions and complementary pathways, including implementation of the Executive Committee conclusion
  - Leveraging community-based protection in evolving operational environments
  - Asylum capacity development
  - Oral update on the Executive Committee conclusion
  - Engagement of UNHCR with internally displaced persons
  - UNHCR coordination efforts to measure the impact arising from hosting, protecting and assisting refugees
  - Sustainable responses
  - Update on budgets and funding
  - Global Report 2024
  - Review of the budget structure and management efficiencies
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