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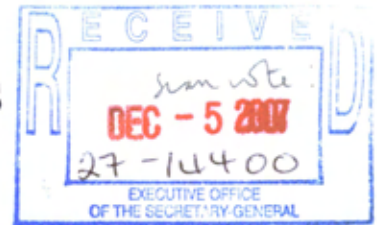
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TO: Mr. B. Lynn Pascoe
A: Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs

DATE: 3 December 2007

Ms. J. Holl Lute, Officer-in-Charge
Department of Field Support

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REFERENCE: Special Envoy for Darfur

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FROM: Warren Sach
DE: Assistant Secretary-General, Controller

SUBJECT: Funding of the Special Envoy for Darfur
OBJET:

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1. Reference is made to my previous note addressed to Mr. Nambiar copied to yourselves on the above subject dated 14 August 2007 (copy attached) indicating my intention to revert to funding of the immediate Office of the Special Envoy for Darfur to the regular budget (see paragraph 5 of the note).
2. No indications have been received from your offices to date on a specific mandate from the Security Council and on related resource requirements for 2008.
3. Please advise as to whether a separate Security Council mandate will be forthcoming and when related requirements for the Office of the Special Envoy for Darfur for 2008 will be submitted to my Office. At this point, in accordance with the report of the Secretary-General on UNAMID (A/62/380) and the associated report of ACABQ (A/62/540), the current funding arrangements for the operations of the Special Envoy will come to an end as of 31 December 2007.

cc: Mr. Nambiar ✓
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Note to Mr. Nambiar

Funding of the Special Envoy for Darfur and AU-UN Joint Mediation Support Team

1. You will recall that in my note of 29 January 2007 addressed to you regarding funding of Special Envoys of the Secretary-General I indicated that in line with the unique nature of UNMIS, all costs in relation to the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Darfur would be financed, as an exceptional measure, through redeployment from existing UNMIS budget resources for the 2006/07 period. You will also recall in this connection that funding of Special Envoys of the Secretary-General is normally provided from the annual budgetary resources for special political missions (SPMs) approved by the General Assembly under Section 3, Political affairs, of the regular budget.
2. I was advised on 24 July 2007 by the Officer-in-charge of the Department of Field Support of the continuing requirement for the funding of the Office of the Special Envoy for Darfur and the AU-UN Joint Mediation Support Team for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2007 in the amount of \$8.6 million. The funding request was made in respect of 67 staff, including 8 staff in the immediate office of the Special Envoy, as well as the required legal, political affairs, public information, as well as administrative, logistical, technical and security support personnel and the related equipment requirements.
3. Subsequent to this request, on 31 July 2007 the Security Council in its resolution 1769 (2007) established the African Union/United Nations Hybrid operation in Darfur (UNAMID) and decided, inter alia, that the mandate of UNAMID shall be as set out in paragraphs 54 and 55 of the report of the Secretary-General and the Chairperson of the African Union Commission of 5 June 2007 (S/2007/307/Rev.1). Please note in this connection that based on paragraphs 54 (d) and 55 (a) (i) of the report, UNAMID is mandated to assist the political process in order to ensure that it is inclusive, and to support the African Union-United Nations joint mediation in its efforts to broaden and deepen commitment to the peace process, as well as to support the good offices of the African Union-United Nations Joint Special Representative for Darfur and the mediation efforts of the Special Envoys of the African Union and the United Nations.
4. I wish to inform you in this connection that notwithstanding the normal funding arrangements for Special Envoys through the regular budget, it is my intention under the particular unique circumstances related to the United Nations operations in the Sudan to continue for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2007 the funding of the Office of the Special Envoy, as well as the AU-UN Joint Mediation Support Team, from the UNMIS and UNAMID budgets (once the UNAMID budget is approved by the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-second session).
5. With regard to the period from 1 January 2008, should the Secretary-General wish to extend the mandate of his Special Envoy for Darfur and taking into account the Security Council mandate for UNAMID to support the African Union-United Nations joint mediation provided in its resolution 1769 (2007), I intend to revert the funding of the immediate Office of the Special Envoy for Darfur (8 posts) to the regular budget, with the substantive legal, political, public information, as well as administrative, logistical, technical and security support funded by the budget of UNAMID. While this arrangement would require a specific mandate from the Security Council for the establishment of the United Nations special political

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mission in Darfur, which should be sought in the coming weeks, it will be in line with the UNAMID's mandate in respect of the support for the United Nations mediation efforts in Darfur as provided in Security Council resolution 1769 (2007). It will also address the issue of parallel support provisions by avoiding any duplication of resource requirements for the offices of Special Envoys and the peacekeeping operations of UNMIS and UNAMID.



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