Decision 2019/1 – Update on the implementation of GA Resolution 72/279 on repositioning of the United Nations development system

As adopted on 12 February 2019

The Executive Board,

- 1. Welcomes the updates provided by UN-Women on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279 of 31 May 2018 on repositioning of the United Nations development system in the context of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system;
- 2. Recognizes the continuing contributions of UN-Women in operationalizing resolution 72/279; and requests it, in line with General Assembly resolution 71/243 of 21 December 2016 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, resolution 72/279 as well as the Secretary General's implementation plan for the inception of the reinvigorated resident coordinator system, to continue to support and contribute to the full implementation of the reinvigorated resident coordinator system, including a matrixed, dual reporting model, with United Nations country team members accountable and reporting to their respective entities on individual mandates, and periodically reporting to the resident coordinator on their individual activities and on their respective contributions to the collective results of the United Nations development system towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda at the country level, on the basis of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework;
- 3. *Calls on UN-*Women to provide written, harmonized and entity-specific information to the Executive Board at its annual session 2019 on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279, based on the information previously provided during informal consultations/briefings;
- 4. *Recognizes* the importance of improving efficiency and effectiveness in administrative support services through, inter alia, enhancing inter-agency cooperation, and encourages the Executive Director of UN-Women to continue to take action as appropriate in these areas;
- 5. Acknowledges with appreciation the efforts undertaken by UN-Women to continue delivering on its Strategic Plan 2018-2021, while implementing resolution 72/279;
- 6. Requests UN-Women to continue to support the Secretary-General to collaboratively implement a new generation of United Nations country teams, with needs-based tailored country presence, to be built on the United Nations Development Assistance Framework and finalized through open and inclusive dialogue between the host Government and the United Nations development system, facilitated by the resident coordinator, to ensure the best configuration of support on the ground as well as enhanced coordination, transparency, efficiency and impact of United Nations development activities, in accordance with national development policies, plans, priorities and needs;
- 7. *Welcomes* the strong commitment of UN-Women, as part of the United Nations Sustainable Development Group, to redeploy its efficiency gains from United Nations development system reform for

development activities, including coordination, and requests UN-Women to contribute to the Secretary-General's report on the cost-savings and efficiency gains and their redeployments and to update the Executive Board through existing reporting mechanisms;

8. Recognizes with appreciation the steps already taken by UN-Women to support the reinvigorated resident coordinator system, including the transfer of its 2019 cost-sharing contribution to the United Nations Development Coordination Office.