Decision 2015/6 on the Integrated Budget for the biennium 2016-2017

As adopted on 16 September 2015

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The Executive Board,

1. Welcomes the UN-Women Integrated Budget for 2016-2017, which presents a single Integrated Budget that includes all budgetary categories, to complement the Strategic Plan for 2014-2017;

2. Takes note of the details included within the integrated budget estimates (UNW/2015/9*), the supportive report of the Advisory Committee for Administrative and Budgetary Questions (UNW/2015/8) thereon, and the related response of UN-Women to the report of the Committee (UNW/2015/CRP.15);

3. Approves gross resources in the amount of $196.4 million for the Institutional Budget to support organizational effectiveness and efficiency and notes that these estimates include an amount of $27 million in cost recovery from other resources;

4. Notes that UN-Women has budgeted 75% of the full cost-recovery projected in the Budget 2016-2017, and recalls the principal of full cost-recovery and its request to UN-Women in decision 2013/2 to recommend, in collaboration with UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF, adjustments to the approved cost-recovery rates, as required, as a part of the mid-term review to be presented at the annual session of the Executive Board in 2016;

5. Notes the planned reduction of the ratio of UN-Women’s management costs in line with decision 2013/6, and in this regard requests UN-Women to engage actively in joint efforts in the UN Development System to establish common services, including making full use of existing Long-Term Agreements;

6. Notes that in the event that actual cost recovery is higher than the estimates included in the budget proposal, the additional amount may be used for management activities to allow more regular resources to be used for programme activities, requests the Under-Secretary General/Executive Director to report to the Executive Board on its utilization in the context of the next budget proposal, and asks UN-Women to further strive for an overall reduction of the ratio of its management costs;
7. Welcomes the inclusion of a separate budget line for the independent evaluation office in the Integrated Budget 2016-2017 in line with decision 2015/1 and requests UN-Women to include also a separate budget line for internal audit in the next Integrated Budget in line with decision 2014/4;

8. Recalls General Assembly resolution A/Res/65/259 of 24 December 2010 and requests UN-Women to undertake an analysis of the post structure in order to specify how posts related to normative and operational functions would be covered and present its findings to the Executive Board no later than in its 2018-2019 budget proposal.

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