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## Human resources management

### Report of the Fifth Committee

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#### I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendations made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 140 are set out in the report of the Committee contained in document [A/74/615](#).
2. During the second part of the resumed seventy-fourth session, the Fifth Committee met online owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, during which it resumed its consideration of the item.
3. For its further consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:
  - (a) Report of the Secretary-General on seconded active-duty military and police personnel ([A/74/700](#));
  - (b) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([A/74/769](#)).

#### II. Consideration of proposals

##### A. Draft resolution [A/C.5/74/L.52](#)

4. On 2 July 2020, the Chair of the Committee submitted for consideration under silence procedure, in accordance with General Assembly decisions 74/544, 74/555 and 74/558, a draft resolution entitled “Seconded active-duty military and police personnel” ([A/C.5/74/L.52](#)).
5. On 7 July, the delegation of the Russian Federation broke silence and objected to the adoption of draft resolution [A/C.5/74/L.52](#).



**B. Draft resolution [A/C.5/74/L.52/Rev.1](#)**

6. On 29 July, the Chair of the Committee submitted for consideration under silence procedure, in accordance with General Assembly decisions 74/544, 74/555, 74/558 and 74/561, a draft resolution entitled “Seconded active-duty military and police personnel” ([A/C.5/74/L.52/Rev.1](#)).

7. On 1 August, the Committee considered draft resolution [A/C.5/74/L.52/Rev.1](#) adopted in accordance with the process set out in decisions 74/544, 74/555, 74/558 and 74/561 (see para. 8). It also noted that it would take note of the resolution at its next meeting held after the cessation of the precautionary measures as soon as the circumstances allowed.

### III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

8. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

#### **Seconded active-duty military and police personnel**

*The General Assembly,*

*Recalling* its resolutions [67/287](#) of 28 June 2013, [68/252](#) of 27 December 2013, [71/263](#) of 23 December 2016 and [74/254](#) of 27 December 2019 and its decision 74/540 B of 13 April 2020,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on seconded active-duty military and police personnel<sup>1</sup> and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>2</sup>

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;<sup>1</sup>
2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,<sup>2</sup> subject to the provisions of the present resolution;
3. *Regrets* that a permanent solution to the secondment issue has not yet been found, thus compelling the General Assembly to resort to prolonging exceptional measures;
4. *Recalls* that the selection of staff members, including seconded active-duty military and police personnel, should be made in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, and requests the Secretary-General to enable the participation of all Member States in seconding active-duty military and police personnel;
5. *Takes note* of paragraph 14 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and, with a view to identifying solutions to conflicts between national legislation and the Staff Regulations and Rules of the United Nations,<sup>3</sup> decides to authorize the Secretary-General to extend the exceptional measures regarding seconded active-duty military and police personnel until 31 July 2021, unless a permanent solution is implemented before that date;
6. *Urges* the Secretary-General to ensure accountability and impartiality of the seconded active-duty military and police personnel through applicable and relevant standards and supervision;
7. *Recalls* paragraph 13 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and requests the Secretary-General to increase outreach and engagement with Member States and to explore all viable options to resolve issues involving the engagement of seconded active-duty military and police personnel, in particular the conflicts between national legislation and the Staff Regulations and Rules of the United Nations, and to report on the development of the matter and present his proposals for its consideration at the first part of its resumed seventy-fifth session.

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<sup>1</sup> [A/74/700](#).

<sup>2</sup> [A/74/769](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ST/SGB/2018/1](#).