

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES (CIPA)

(\$ in thousands)

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UN Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo	163,838
UN Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad	218,533
Sustain Existing Operations	454,529
FY 2009 CIPA Supplemental Request	836,900

Since the submission of the FY 2009 budget to Congress, further information has become available on the pace of downsizing and completion of a few key successful UN peacekeeping operations as well as the transition and increase of several missions.

The Department of State is requesting \$836.9 million in supplemental funds in order to sustain U.S. peacekeeping contributions through FY 2009. Failure to obtain the funding outlined in this supplemental request would strain critical UN peacekeeping operations because of insufficient funding. Deployments and reimbursements to troop-contributing countries – primarily poor developing countries – will be significantly delayed jeopardizing the mission. Requested supplemental funding will support the following.

MONUC (Democratic Republic of Congo): \$163,838,000

When an October 2008 offensive by one rebel group threatened MONUC operations in eastern Congo, the UN Secretariat asked the Security Council to authorize an increase in MONUC's troop ceiling. In December 2008, the UN Security Council renewed and extended MONUC's mandate which reinforced the previous Security Council decision to increase the mission's military and police ceiling. The additional funding will support the increased cost associated with the enhanced presence in eastern Congo, including deployment of a mandated increase in military and police strength by 3,085 personnel. The mission has an extensive mandate to help implement a peace process to resolve the Congo's multifaceted conflicts, protect civilians, and maintain the security of humanitarian operations, disarm, demobilize, and reintegrate ex-combatants, train the Congolese armed forces, and support their operations against recalcitrant armed groups. The requested amount provides \$44 million toward the expansion of the mission, and \$119.8 million toward covering estimated shortfalls.

MINURCAT (Transition from Police Mission to Military Peacekeeping Operation, Central African Republic and Chad): \$218,533,000

The Department's initial FY 2009 request was based on the small police mission's slow start. However, on January 14, 2009 the UN Security Council adopted a resolution extending the

mission until March 2010 and authorized a UN peacekeeping presence of 5,200 troops to replace the European Union forces scheduled to begin draw down in March 2009. This follow-on force, under UN command and control, will entail significantly higher costs than the current UN police mission resulting in an estimated \$126.0 million increase for the USG's share of assessed costs. In addition, the request supports \$92.5 million toward covering estimated shortfalls for FY 2009.

Sustain Existing Operations: \$454,529,000

This supplemental request includes a significant down payment towards long-standing arrearages and shortfalls for U.S. peacekeeping assessments. The U.S. cannot continue to advocate for peacekeeping operations while failing to fund assessed contributions. This \$454.5 million will cover the \$51.0 million FY 2008 shortfall and \$403.5 million to pay for FY 2009 estimated shortfalls. The UN General Assembly budgets from June 2008 for all peacekeeping missions are substantially higher than FY 2009 budget estimates. This request will allow the USG to pay its share of UN peacekeeping assessed costs during FY 2009 to ensure that established missions carry out their mandates and meet their benchmarks.

A portion of these funds may be used to pay UN assessments attributable to a logistics and support package to the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) called for by UN Security Council Resolution 1863.

A key element in sustaining existing missions is to address accumulated cap-related arrears from FY 2005 through FY 2009 totaling about \$174 million. These funds will help address these arrears as well. Language authorizing payment of these arrearages was in the FY 2009 President's Budget.

With the enactment of this request, CIPA is estimated to have no arrears at the end of FY 2009.