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Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Statement by

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Mr. Chairman,
Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,

I have the honour to introduce the Secretary-General's revised budget reports for the 2013/14 period for agenda items 148-UNISFA and 159(a)-UNDOF as listed in today's journal.

In regards to agenda item 148-UNISFA, the revised 2013/14 budget amounts to \$339.3 million, representing an increase of \$48.7 million (16.7 per cent) from the amount of \$290.6 million appropriated by the General Assembly in its resolution 67/270 for the maintenance of the mission for the same period. Pursuant to Security Council resolution 2104 (2013), the revised 2013/14 budget provides for the deployment of a force protection unit of 1,126 troops for the Joint Border Verification and Monitoring Mechanism and reflects an increase in assets and construction expenses in line with the deployment of additional personnel to four self-sufficient locations.

In regards to agenda item 159(a)-UNDOF, the revised budget amounts to 60.8 million, representing an increase of 12.8 million (26.6 per cent) from the amount of 48.0

million appropriated by the General Assembly in its resolution 67/278 for the maintenance of the Force for the same period. Pursuant to Security Council resolution 2108 (2013), the revised 2013/14 budget provides for the deployment of an additional 203 military contingent personnel and their equipment, as well as the related proposed establishment of 10 international temporary positions.

Mr. Chairman,

Distinguished Delegates,

I look forward to the discussions on these items.

Thank you.