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FIFTH COMMITTEE Statement by

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Mr. Chairman, Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates,

I have the honour to introduce the Secretary-General's report on the revised budget for the period 2014/15 for agenda item 166-UNAMID.

The revised 2014/15 budget of the Mission addresses the concerns raised by the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in report A/68/782/Add.15 and reflects the implementation of the recommendations of the strategic review undertaken by UNAMID at the request of the Security Council in its resolution 2113 (2013). The requirements amount to \$1,206.5 million, which represent a reduction of \$128.7 million (9.6 per cent) compared to the appropriation of \$1,335.2 million for 2013/14. The revised 2014/15 budget reflects the drawdown of military contingents and United Nations police personnel in accordance with Security Council resolution 2173 (2014), a net reduction of 770 posts and positions, and the reconfiguration of the Mission's air transportation assets.

I look forward to the discussion on this item.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.