

**Oral statement on draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.21/Rev.1  
entitled "Trafficking in women and girls"**

1. This oral statement is made in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

2. By operative paragraphs 6 and 31 of draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.21/Rev.1, the General Assembly would:

(a) *Urge* Member States, the United Nations and other international, regional and subregional organizations, as well as civil society, including non-governmental organizations, the private sector and the media, to fully and effectively implement the relevant provisions of the United Nations Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons<sup>1</sup> and the activities outlined therein; and

(b) *Request* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventy-first session a report that compiles information on successful interventions and strategies, as well as the gaps, in addressing the gender dimensions of the problem of trafficking in persons and provides recommendations on the strengthening of human rights-based, gender- and age-sensitive approaches within comprehensive and balanced efforts to address trafficking in persons.

3. To implement the activities requested in operative paragraph 6, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime would need extra-budgetary resources to be able to continue supporting the ICAT Secretariat, which is instrumental in enabling the United Nations and other relevant international organizations to improve coordination of their efforts to combat trafficking in persons under the Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons (operative paragraphs 11, 56 and 59), and in reaching out to other regional and sub-regional organizations to do the same. From 2012 to 2014, UNODC received \$600,000 as an earmarked contribution to support its coordinating role in ICAT and to produce five thematic papers that would inform policy as well as technical assistance activities from a coordinated inter-agency perspective. To sustain its activities and respond to the new request, UNODC would require additional extra-budgetary resources in the amount of \$229,100 to provide for:

- (a) 1 professional post at the P-2 level for 12 months to staff the ICAT Secretariat and support ICAT activities towards the implementation of the Global Plan of Action (\$129,100)
  - (b) 3 2-day missions within Europe to undertake consultations with other ICAT members (US \$6000)
  - (c) 2 ICAT Working Group meetings (\$24,000)
  - (d) Translation of 2 ICAT policy papers on trafficking in persons from English to the other five UN official languages (\$70,000).
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4. With regard to the provisions contained in operative paragraph 41, in case UNODC is tasked with the drafting of the report, it is envisaged that additional extrabudgetary resources in the amount of \$71,800 would be required for the report (16 pages in 6 languages), including two work months of a professional post at the P-4 level for the preparation of the report (\$32,700).

5. Should the additional extrabudgetary resources mentioned above not be available, the activities will not take place.

6. Accordingly, adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.21/Rev.1 would not give rise to any additional implications under the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 and the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017.