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THE INCLUSION, WITH REIMBURSEMENT UNDER MAJOR EQUIPMENT, OF AN OXYGEN GENERATOR WITH HIGH-CAPACITY TANK (MINIMUM 200 L) IN THE LEVEL 2 MEDICAL UNIT'S ASSETS

1. ISSUE PAPER THEME

Medical – Medical Support

2. SUMMARY / BACKGROUND / PREVIOUS HISTORY

Within the framework of medical support for UN forces, oxygen is regarded as an essential and life-sustaining resource for emergency medical care and operational personnel support. However, given security imperatives within various theatres of deployment, oxygen supply chains remain subject to intermittent disruptions due to logistical constraints.

Background:

The UMNII/Bunia frequently experiences oxygen supply disruptions, whether due to the remoteness of supply sources or interrupted transport routes, thereby jeopardizing patient survival outcomes. Currently, this medical unit is operating with only 50% of its allocated oxygen cylinders. The remainder is dispatched to the refilling facility located in Entebbe, where the process takes approximately one month or longer. This situation undermines the continuity of surgical operations and may endanger patients' lives. Hence the necessity to maintain a permanent oxygen reserve in Level 2 Medical Facilities to ensure temporary oxygen self-sufficiency, with implementation modalities left to the discretion of the Troop-Contributing Country (TCC).

3. DETAILED PROPOSAL

COE Manual (2023), Chapter 3, Annex C, Appendix 5.1 – Level 2 Medical Facility (Page 115/318), inclusion of an oxygen generator, reimbursed under major equipment.

Equipment to be included: Oxygen generator with a large tank capacity (minimum 200L):

The installation of this equipment is not mandatory. Its implementation depends on the decision and preference of the troop-contributing country, based on operational needs.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. PROPOSED 2026 COE MANUAL TEXT

Chapter 3, Annex C, Appendix 5.1 page 116.

Level 2 Medical Facility

Facility	Type of equipment	Quantity	Standard Fair Market Value in USD
III.A. Surgical Services/Critical Care	XXI. High-capacity oxygen generation	01	51 710,00

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Unit	system (minimum 200L tank)		
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a: Reimbursed under major equipment.