SUSTAINMENT CATEGORIES THAT SHOULD REMAIN AT 100% FOLLOWING COO

Sub-Working Group on Self Sustainment

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SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL
The proposal was previously submitted for the consideration of the 2020 Contingent-Owned Equipment Working Group in the Issue Paper # 4 from Nepal. The General Assembly in its Resolution A/RES/74/279 endorsed recommendation 59 (a) of the 2020 Contingent Owned Equipment (COE) Working Group that the Secretariat conduct a study to identify the self-sustainment categories and sub-categories that should be eligible for the reimbursement at 100 per cent after the cessation of operations (COO) and until the uniformed personnel departs the mission area. The results of the study are to be presented to the COE WG 2023.

The results of the requested study are based on the analysis of the operations, activities, needs and requirements of the uniformed personnel in the peacekeeping missions after the announcement of Cessation of Operations (COO). Given that the personnel continue their day-to-day activities, the following self-sustainment categories were “shortlisted” for consideration to be eligible for reimbursement at full rates until the personnel depart the mission area:

- **General / Catering**: after the COO the unit continues to feed the troops with cold and hot meals, provide clean and hygienic kitchen facilities with all relevant catering equipment including dishes and cutlery. This category may be recommended for the reimbursement at 100% after the COO.
- **Communication / Telephone**: after the COO the unit will still need to fully rely on the telephone as the primary means of internal communication in the main base camp until departure. This category may be recommended for the reimbursement at **100% after the COO**.

- **General / Minor Engineering**: this category covers the works associated with minor constructions, maintenance and repair of accommodation and camp areas, plumbing and water system works which stop after the COO since the contingent starts to pack and prepare for repatriation. Therefore, it is recommended that the reimbursement for minor engineering capabilities, equipment and tools used for packing is done at **50% of the rates** since it is not utilized at full level required for **100% reimbursement**.

- **General / Laundry**: after the COO the unit will still need to provide laundry services to its personnel including the provision of the related equipment and supplies. This category may be recommended for the reimbursement at **100% after the COO**.

- **General / Cleaning**: after the COO the unit does not provide the cleaning of all facilities at the level required for **100% reimbursement**. Therefore, it is recommended that the reimbursement for cleaning after the COO is done at **50% of rate**.

- **General / Accommodation**: if, at the time of repatriation, the unit is accommodated in the self-sustainment standard accommodation it needs to be provided under the same requirements as prior to the COO. This category may be recommended for the reimbursement at **100% after the COO**.

- **Medical / Buddy First Aid**: after the COO the unit is not required to go outside the camp for operations and the use of the BFAK becomes quite limited since there is no danger of injury associated with the operational activity. Therefore, it is recommended that the reimbursement for BFAK the COO is done at **50% of rate**.

- **Medical / Communal first aid**: after the COO the unit is clearing the communal facilities and prepare vehicles for repartition packing the Communal First Aid Kits. The requirements for the Communal First Aid Kit becomes limited and therefore it is recommended that the reimbursement is done at **50% of rate**.

- **Medical / High Risk (Epidemiological)**: after the COO contingent still needs to provide the preventive measures against endemic infectious diseases, including the mosquito nets, fumigators and malaria prophylaxis. This category may be recommended for the reimbursement at **100% after the COO**.

- **Level 1 Hospital**: after the COO unit starts preparing medical equipment and consumables for repatriation. The Level 1 hospital capabilities are not used at the level required for full reimbursement. In case of serious trauma/injury the support is to be provided by the Mission through other Level 1 or a Level 2 hospital. Therefore, it is recommended that the reimbursement for a Level 1 Hospital is done at **50% of rate**.
- **Miscellaneous General Stores / Bedding**: Bed linen, blankets, mattress covers, pillows and towels continue to be provided in full after the Cease of Operations. This category may be recommended for the reimbursement at **100% after the COO**.

- **Miscellaneous General Stores / Furniture**: beds, mattresses, nightstands, table light and lockers for each person continue to be provided in full after the Cease of Operations. This category may be recommended for the reimbursement at **100% after the COO**.

**PROPOSED TEXT FOR 2023 COE MANUAL**

The following changes are recommended under Chapter 4 of the COE Manual:

15. **Reimbursement for self-sustainment will be in effect at full rates until the date of cessation of operations by a troop/police contributor or termination of the mission.** Thereafter the following categories will be reimbursed at **100%**: and calculated upon the remaining actual deployed troop strengths until all contingent personnel have departed the mission area:

- General / Catering
- Communication / Telephone
- General / Laundry
- General / Accommodation
- Medical / High Risk (Epidemiological)
- Miscellaneous General Stores / Bedding
- Miscellaneous General Stores / Furniture

After the cessation of operations reimbursement for other categories will be **reduced to 50 per cent** of the rates agreed in the memorandum of understanding calculated upon the remaining actual deployed troop strengths until all contingent personnel have departed the mission area.

The change should also be reflected in Chapter 8, III, para 18 and Chapter 2, Section X, para 26.