



COUNCIL 2005

GENEVA, 12-22 JULY 2005

Addendum 1 to
Document C05/19-E
8 June 2005
Original: English

Agenda item: PL 1.1

Report by the Secretary-General

WORLD SUMMIT ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY

Summary

The first phase of the Summit took place in Geneva on 10-12 December 2003 and preparations are underway for the second phase of the Summit in Tunis from 16-18 November 2005.

Action required

The Council is invited to **take note** of this Report.

References

Res.73 (PP-98); Res.113, Dec.8 (PP-02); D. 509, R. 1158, 1179, 1207, 1214

Financial Situation

1 The Summit is organized with the support of voluntary financial and in-kind contributions. The UNGA has not provided any funding for WSIS.

2 According to Table 3 of C04/25(Add.1) submitted to the last Council session, it was estimated that the core activities of the Tunis Phase of the Summit would cost approximately CHF 15 million in addition to the services and facilities provided by Tunisia. Since the outset of the Tunis Phase, the Executive Secretariat has made every effort to limit expenditures through the efficient use of resources and by seeking in-kind support by various stakeholders. For example, by hosting PrepCom-1 in Hammamet, the Government of Tunisia made various in-kind contributions, which minimized expenses incurred by the WSIS Trust Fund. Likewise, the hosting of PrepCom-2 by the United Nations in Geneva also led to substantial savings for the WSIS Fund. PrepCom delegates provided additional financial savings by shortening the term of the second meeting from ten to seven days. The United Nations Office at Geneva also provided facilities and support for meetings of the Group of the Friends of the Chair, which would have otherwise generated additional unplanned costs for the WSIS Fund. On the other hand, the WSIS Fund will incur greater costs in certain areas due to ITU's financial and human resource constraints and the large physical distance between ITU headquarters and the host country, which together limit the flexibility of the ITU to absorb such costs within its normal operations. These factors account for an estimated CHF 421,000 in additional expenditures to be covered by the WSIS Fund.

3 Considering the estimate of CHF 6,028 million presented to the Council in June 2004 (Document C04/25 (Add.1)), and the new estimate of CHF 5,427 million, net savings of CHF 601,000 are expected in cash for all the phase of preparatory pocess and the Summit, provided that there are no additional meetings between Prepcom-3 and the Summit

4 To raise contributions for the Tunis Phase, the Secretary-General launched a dynamic fundraising campaign. The objective is to raise at least CHF 5 million in financial contributions, with the remaining CHF 10 million in expenses to be covered by in-kind contributions. Thus far, there has been a positive response, as 58% of the CHF 5 million goal has been raised (See details in Table 2).

5 According to Decision 6 (Marrakesh, 2002), the ITU 2004-2007 Financial Plan includes an appropriation of CHF 1,194,000 for the Summit. In this respect, Resolution 1222 of the Council made available an amount of CHF 597,000 planned for 2006-2007 to the 2004-2005 budget, through a withdrawal from the Reserve Account, with provision for repayment into the Account from the 2006-2007 budget.

TABLE 1
Revised Estimated Costs of Core Activities of Phase II

Estimates below do not include those costs supported by Tunisia in hosting the Summit.

(Thousand CHF)

	Cash	In-Kind	Total
Executive Secretariat	1,966	7,324	9,290
Staff and documentation	1,362	6,691	8,053
Other Staff expenditures	224		224
Other expenditures	380	633	1,013
1st Preparatory Meeting (Tunisia 3 days)	102	305	407
Staff and documentation	96	158	254
Other Staff expenditures	2		2
Other expenditures	4	147	151
PrepCom-2 (Geneva 7 days)	636	263	899
Staff and documentation	460		460
Other Staff expenditures	21		21
Other expenditures	155	263	418
PrepCom-3 (Geneva 10 days)	909	378	1,287
Staff and documentation	560		560
Other Staff expenditures	43		43
Other expenditures	306	378	684
Preparatory Process Total	3,613	8,270	11,883
Summit (other than Host country's responsibility)	814	758	1,572
Staff and documentation	185	607	792
Other Staff expenditures	0		0
Other expenditures	629	151	780
Fellowship for PrepCom & Summit	1,000	400	1,400
WSIS Fund	1,000		1,000
In-Kind		400*	400
Tunis Phase Total	5,427	9,428	14,855
WSIS Fund	5,427		5,427
In-Kind		9,428	9,428

* Commitment of Tunisia for Civil Society fellowships

TABLE 2
Financial Contributions for Tunis Phase (as at 01.06.2005)

1. <u>Unrestricted Contributions</u>	CHF
<u>Governments</u>	
Azerbaijan	15,190
Botswana	15,000
Burkina Faso	25,000
Canada	100,000
Finland	189,000
France	229,950
Germany	75,445
Holy See	4,000
Japan	776,927
Malta	3,500
Namibia	12,500
Netherlands	75,000
Norway	180,268
Saudi Arabia	335,357
Senegal	66,550
Spain	153,000
Sweden	340,260
Sultanate of Oman	100,000
Syrian Arab Republic	11,789
Sub-Total	2,708,736
<u>International Organizations</u>	
Intern. Telecom. Satellite Organization	5,688
UNFCU	1,280
UPU	10,000
WMO	15,000
Sub-Total	31,968
<u>NGO</u>	
International Institute for non-align.studies	200
<u>Private sector</u>	
NTT DoCoMo	90,896
Total Received	2,831,800

Committed (Not yet received)	
Libya	60,000
Trinidad and Tobago	6,000
Total Committed	66,000
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED CONTRIBUTIONS	2,897,800

2. Restricted Contributions

Governments and International Organizations

Austria (fellowships)	45,438
Canada (Civil Society participation)	91,785
Switzerland (fellowships)	70,000
ISESCO (Fellowships)	11,372
Sub-Total	218,595

Carry-over from Geneva phase

European Commission (ES staff from developing countries)	303,200
Finland (Fellowships and WSIS ES staff from developing countries)	235,220
Sweden (ES staff from developing countries)	101,443
Switzerland (Fellowships for government officials from LDCs)	205,252
Sub-Total	845,115

TOTAL RESTRICTED CONTRIBUTIONS **1,063,710**

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS (1+2) **3,961,510**

3. ITU regular budget **1,194,000**

4. Carried-over deficit from Geneva phase - 1,468,805

5. Contributions for other WSIS related activities

Korea 200,000

Table 3
In-kind Contributions Other Than Staff for the Executive Secretariat*

International Telecommunication Union (ITU)	Staff, support, offices, computers, website
Government of Switzerland	Office furniture and equipment
Government of Tunisia	Expenses associated with preparatory process in Tunisia (Brainstorming Meeting & PrepCom-1)
United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG)	Expenses associated with Bureau and Group of Friends of the Chair (GFC), and PrepCom-2 &3 facilities and support
* The list of seconded experts to the Executive Secretariat is included in paragraph 21 of C05/19	
