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2017/6. United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 2009/27 of 30 July 2009, 2011/11 of 22 July 2011 and 2013/45 of 26 July 2013,

Recalling also General Assembly resolutions 62/210 of 19 December 2007 and section I of resolution 64/260 of 29 March 2010,

Acknowledging the progress made by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in the implementation of its strategic framework and the achievements in diverse programmatic fields, including multilateralism, economic development and social inclusion, sustainable development, peace, resilience-building and disaster risk reduction,

Acknowledging also the role that the Institute has been playing in strengthening its efforts to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development¹ through training and related capacity-building activities, including efforts to help national partners to mainstream the 2030 Agenda through policies, programmes and plans, to monitor and evaluate progress and to develop statistical capacities to support improved data availability, with a focus on developing countries, in particular countries in Africa, the least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States,

Acknowledging further the leadership role that the Institute has been playing over the past 15 years in supporting the international humanitarian and development communities with improved access to information for decision-making and operational coordination in the field through its Operational Satellite Applications Programme,

Encouraged by the growth in beneficiary outreach since 2014 through increased training and knowledge-sharing events, in particular with regard to peacekeeping and climate change,

Noting the continued stable overall financial situation of the Institute and the increase in its budget that was approved by the Board of Trustees, and expressing its



¹ General Assembly resolution 70/1.



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appreciation to Governments and other strategic partners that have made or pledged voluntary contributions to the Institute,

Welcoming the efforts of the Institute to align its 2018–2021 strategic framework with the 2030 Agenda and to increase efforts to meet the learning and other capacity needs of countries in special situations,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General;²

2. Encourages the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to continue to respond to learning and other capacity needs in accordance with its mandate and the outcomes of relevant international conferences, and to continue to align and harmonize its activity with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development¹ and ongoing reforms of the United Nations development system, including the finalization of its 2018–2021 strategic framework with a view to enhancing its effectiveness, efficiency and coherence;

3. *Also encourages* the Institute to continue to respond to requests, including from United Nations entities, for maps derived from satellite imagery and reports to support the humanitarian and development community;

4. *Renews its appeal* to Member States to provide voluntary non-earmarked contributions to the Institute;

5. *Encourages* all donors in a position to do so to strengthen their support to the Institute to enhance its capacity-building activities, in particular in the developing countries;

6. *Encourages* the Institute to continue to build and strengthen partnerships with all stakeholders, including United Nations system entities, the business sector, academia and civil society;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council in 2019 on the implementation of the present resolution.

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² E/2017/48.