United Nations Compensation Commission
Governing Council

Decision concerning the fulfilment of the mandate of the Follow-up Programme for Environmental Awards in respect of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and the State of Kuwait

The Governing Council,

Recalling decision 258 (S/AC.26/Dec.258 (2005)) that established the Follow-up Programme for Environmental Awards (the “Programme”) as a mechanism for monitoring the use of certain of the “F4” award funds for environmental remediation projects (the “environmental projects”) by the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, the State of Kuwait and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (the “participating Governments”) in line with Guidelines annexed to that decision,

Recalling also decision 269 (S/AC.26/Dec.269 (2011)) that called upon the participating Governments, in order to fulfill the mandate of the Programme, to establish certain systems and controls for the management of their continuing environmental projects under decision 258,

Recalling further decision 269 in which the Governing Council decided that upon the establishment of the systems and controls by the participating Governments and the provision of assurances that those systems and controls be maintained and that the award funds be used for the successful completion of the environmental projects, as determined by the Governing Council, the mandate of the Programme will be fulfilled,

Recalling decision 270 (S/AC.26/Dec.270 (2013)) that decided that the Programme is considered closed in respect of the Islamic Republic of Iran and declared that upon the Governing Council’s receipt of the signed assurances, the mandate of the Programme would be considered fulfilled in respect of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia,

Recalling also the conclusion reached at the seventy-fifth session that the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and the State of Kuwait had materially met the requirements of decision 269 with respect to the establishment of the requisite systems and controls and that the Council would be ready to declare the mandate of the Programme fulfilled in respect of these two Governments on or before its seventy-sixth session, subject to certain outstanding issues being satisfactorily addressed,

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Having considered the reports submitted by the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and the State of Kuwait on the fulfillment of the outstanding issues, the reports of the Secretariat thereon, and the reports of the Independent Reviewers:

1. **Decides** that the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and the State of Kuwait have adequately established the systems and controls under decision 269 in respect of the ongoing implementation of their respective environmental projects under decision 258;

2. **Directs** the Governments of these two States to transmit the assurances that the systems and controls be maintained and that the award funds be used for the successful completion of the environmental projects, as agreed upon, through the Executive Head of the Secretariat to the Governing Council within 60 days of this decision;

3. **Declares** that upon the Governing Council’s receipt of the signed assurances from the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, the mandate under the Programme will be considered fulfilled in respect of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and authorizes the Secretariat to take the necessary administrative action for the release of funds withheld under decisions 258 and 266 (S/AC.26/Dec.266 (2009)) along with any accrued interest remaining under decision 268 (S/AC.26/Dec.268 (2009)) to the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan;

4. **Declares also** that upon the Governing Council’s receipt of the signed assurances from the Government of the State of Kuwait, the mandate under the Programme will be considered fulfilled in respect of the State of Kuwait and authorizes the Secretariat to take the necessary administrative action for the release of funds withheld under decisions 258 and 266 along with any accrued interest remaining under decision 268 to the Government of the State of Kuwait;

5. **Declares further** that upon the release of all withheld funds and any interest, the entire Programme mandate will be considered fulfilled, and directs the Secretariat upon that event to proceed with the final accounting on the administrative expenditures of the Secretariat in respect of the Programme and to return to each of the participating Governments any remaining funds in accordance with the proportional budgetary contribution of each Government, as required under decision 269.

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