Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the United Nations development system in the context of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system

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Reference documents: Information Note
Quadrennial comprehensive policy review

– Importance of QCPR as guidance for UN development system
– Longer-term planning horizon up to 2030, rallying of UN agencies, funds and programmes’ Strategic Plans around the SDGs
– Important provisions on gender, disability inclusion, environmental protection, climate change, as well as human rights
– Mention of children and youth new, strong mandate on education
Funding to the Resident Coordinator system

$5.9 million

2020 levy payments (including payments for the last quarter of 2019 received in January 2020)

$8.3 million

Yearly contribution to cost-sharing arrangement
Shared business operations & premises

**TARGETS**
- Business operations strategy
- Common premises
- Global Shared Service Centres
- Common business operations

**ENABLERS**
- Mutual recognition
- Costing & pricing principles
- Client satisfaction principles

- Co-chair of the new **Business Operations Task Team & Efficiency Impact Task Team**
- Roll-out of **mutual recognition** guidelines
- 80% roll-out of **business operations strategies**
- 50% of offices in **common premises**
- Guidelines for roll-out of **common back offices**
- 42% of implementation rate of the **accessibility level 1**
- 16% reduction in UNICEF’s **carbon emissions** since 2016
Way forward

– Joint programmes assessment and strategy
– QCPR follow-up & Strategic Plan
– Outstanding reform mandates: multi-country offices & regional reviews; system-wide evaluations
– Regional and global chapters of the Management Accountability Framework
Thank you.
Questions?