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### VI: Vote Overview

This section sets out the Vote Mission, Strategic Objectives, and provides a description of the vote's services

#### (i) Snapshot of Medium Term Budget Allocations

Table V1 below summarises the Medium Term Budget allocations for the Vote:

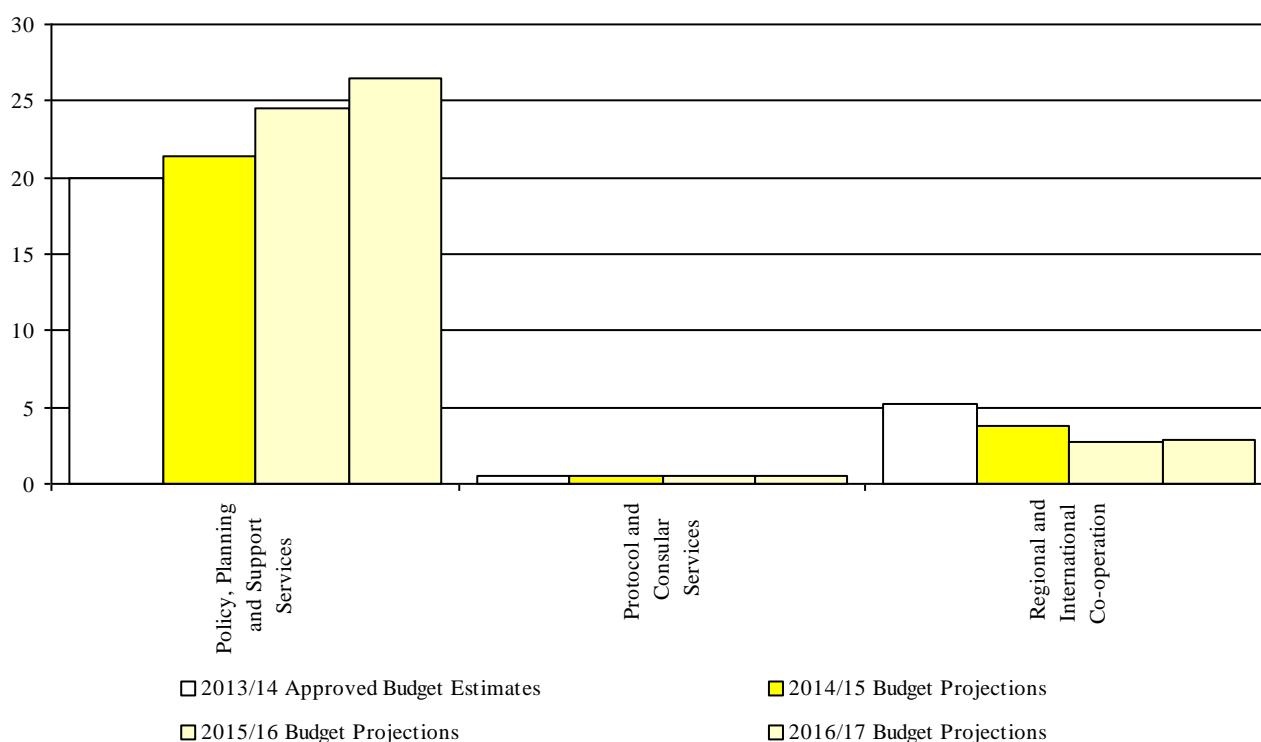
**Table V1.1: Overview of Vote Expenditures (US\$ Billion)**

	2012/13 Outturn	2013/14		MTEF Budget Projections		
		Approved Budget	Spent by End Dec	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
<i>(i) Excluding Arrears, Taxes</i>						
Recurrent						
Wage	3.604	3.856	1.883	3.856	3.856	4.922
Non Wage	10.139	21.158	9.300	21.158	23.168	24.095
Development						
GoU	0.147	0.670	0.172	0.670	0.784	0.815
Ext. Fin	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
<b>GoU Total</b>	<b>13.891</b>	<b>25.684</b>	<b>11.355</b>	<b>25.684</b>	<b>27.808</b>	<b>29.832</b>
<b>total GoU + Ext Fin. (MTEF)</b>	<b>13.891</b>	<b>25.684</b>	<b>11.355</b>	<b>25.684</b>	<b>27.808</b>	<b>29.832</b>
<i>(ii) Arrears and Taxes</i>						
Arrears	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	N/A	N/A
Taxes	0.000	0.157	0.000	0.457	N/A	N/A
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>13.891</b>	<b>25.841</b>	<b>11.355</b>	<b>26.141</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>

\*\* Non VAT taxes on capital expenditure

The chart below shows total funding allocations to the Vote by Vote Function over the medium term:

**Chart V1.1: Medium Term Budget Projections by Vote Function (US\$ Bn, Excluding Taxes, Arrears)**



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### (ii) Vote Mission Statement

The Vote's Mission Statement is:

*To Promote and Protect Uganda's National Interests Abroad*

### (iii) Vote Outputs which Contribute to Priority Sector Outcomes

The table below sets out the vote functions and outputs delivered by the vote which the sector considers as contributing most to priority sector outcomes.

**Table V1.2: Sector Outcomes, Vote Functions and Key Outputs**

Sector Outcome 1:	Sector Outcome 2:	Sector Outcome 3:
<i>Free and Fair Elections</i>	<i>Improved Regional and International relations</i>	<i>Strengthened Policy Management across government</i>
<b>Vote Function: 16 21 Regional and International Co-operation</b>		
<b>Outputs Contributing to Outcome 1:</b>	<b>Outputs Contributing to Outcome 2:</b>	<b>Outputs Contributing to Outcome 3:</b>
None	<i>Outputs Provided</i> 162101 Cooperation frameworks 162102 Promotion of trade, tourism, education, and investment	None
<b>Vote Function: 16 22 Protocol and Consular Services</b>		
<b>Outputs Contributing to Outcome 1:</b>	<b>Outputs Contributing to Outcome 2:</b>	<b>Outputs Contributing to Outcome 3:</b>
None	<i>Outputs Provided</i> 162202 consular services provided	None

## V2: Past Vote Performance and Medium Term Plans

*This section describes past and future vote performance, in terms of key vote outputs and plans to address sector policy implementation issues.*

### (i) Past and Future Planned Vote Outputs

#### 2012/13 Performance

In line with the Ministry's strategic objectives and annual work plans for FY 2012/13, the following was achieved:

#### Promotion of Regional and International Peace and Security

The Ministry provided political and diplomatic support to the ongoing stabilization and reconstruction efforts in Somalia through IGAD, AU and the UN. We lobbied for United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Resolution 2036 (2012), where AU requested for increase in troop levels for AMISOM by more than 5,000 and formation of Police Units. The Council unanimously adopted the resolution and commended the AMISOM contribution to lasting peace and stability in Somalia. This gave AMISOM the necessary troops and resources to help it consolidate the gains made and increase the military pressure on Al-Shabaab. The Council also decided to expand the support package to include reimbursement of contingent owned equipment. In order to further these efforts, a Uganda Resident Diplomatic Mission is being established in Mogadishu.

As the Chair of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR), Uganda promoted the deepening of the Foreign Policy doctrine of "Regional-led Peace Initiatives" supported by the AU and the UN/ International Community. Since July, 2012, we hosted 4 Extra Ordinary ICGLR Summits aimed at finding a lasting solution to the security situation in Eastern DRC. A peace, security and cooperation framework for DRC and the region was signed on 24 February, 2013 while the United Nations Security Council approved the establishment of an intervention brigade as part of MONUSCO.

As one of the guarantors of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement in Sudan, Uganda continues to engage

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Regional and International actors to support efforts made by IGAD and AU to resolve outstanding post referendum issues.

In December, 2012, the Ministry held a Joint Permanent Commission (JPC) with South Sudan. Among the areas agreed upon is expanded cooperation in defence and security matters. Under the JPC it was further agreed that the Uganda Police, Prisons and Judiciary shall engage in capacity-building programs with their counter parts in South Sudan.

Participated in negotiations of the Protocols on Foreign Policy Coordination and Defence & Inter-state Security under the framework of the EAC. Both protocols were signed and are due for ratification.

In August 2012, the Ministry produced a reviewed draft of the Uganda Foreign Policy Framework which responds to emerging security challenges such as terrorism, piracy and human trafficking.

At the African Union (AU), the Ministry supported the creation of the Rapid Deployment Capability force as a transitional arrangement for the African Standby Force. This will significantly facilitate the promotion of African solutions to the problems facing the continent, and enhance the ownership of the continent's efforts to resolve conflicts and crises in Africa.

We initiated a request for and successfully secured a seat at the African Union Peace and Security Council for a period of 3 years starting 2013.

We participated in several AU Peace and Security Council meetings at which key decisions on a regional approach to the LRA issue were taken. Among these are; 1) African Union's appointment of Francisco Caetano Jose Madeira as its Special Envoy on the Lord's Resistance Army issue. The envoy is charged with enhancement of cooperation among militaries in the region and promotion of a regional framework for the defection, disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of LRA fighters and abductees. The Special Envoy's offices were set up in Bangui, Central Africa Republic (CAR); 2) The AU Peace and Security Council offered to host the Post Conflict Reconstruction and Development Centre in Uganda.

We participated in meetings at which the Joint Coordination Mechanism (JCM) of the Commission on the Implementation of the AU-led Regional Cooperation Initiative for the Elimination of LRA-(RCI-LRA) agreed on a number of steps to operationalize the RCI-LRA. These related to the adoption of the command and control architecture of the Regional Task Force (RTF), the timelines for the commencement of critical activities, as well as to the coordination between the RTF and international stakeholders, notably UN missions and offices on the ground. The RTF has brigade-size strength of 5,000 troops; composed of troops from the LRA affected countries i.e. Uganda, DRC, CAR, and South Sudan.

We also participated in 45th Meeting of IGAD Committee of Experts from 4-5 July, 2012, in Djibouti and a communiqué was issued in which the experts recommended among other things the establishment of a Mediation Support Unit (MSU) of IGAD, Adoption of the IGAD Gender Policy as well as the Peace and Security Strategy.

### Commercial and Economic Diplomacy

The Ministry has engaged other countries in commercial diplomacy in the fields of Trade, Tourism, Technology transfer and Education. In these fields the following was achieved:

The Ministry coordinated the trilateral talks between the presidents of Uganda, Kenya and Rwanda held in Entebbe in June where the three heads of state agreed as follows: 1) Agreed to revamp the existing railway

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network and also construct new standard gauge railway line and extend it to Rwanda, including joint mobilisation of resources. 2) Develop an oil pipelines for finished products from Eldoret to Kampala and extend it to Rwanda. 3) Develop a crude oil pipeline from Uganda to Kenya link to South Sudan. 4) Explore the possibility of EAC partner states to invest in the oil refinery to be constructed in Uganda. 5) To enhance electricity generation and distribution by exploring and utilizing the resources within each partner state, including exploring other alternative sources like renewable energy, nuclear and geothermal. 6) To strengthen the single customs territory and implement all the provisions therein where taxes will be collected at the entry points like Mombasa, Mpondwe, Oluhura. 7) Fast track political federation by setting up a committee that will draft an EAC political Federation Framework that will be considered and discussed by all relevant parties. 8) Introduction of EAC e-Identity cards to ease movement of persons and services. 9) Fast track the establishment of EAC single tourist Visa to facilitate the tourism industry in the region.

The ministry participated in various market access negotiations including:

Negotiations in Brussels for the regional economic partnership that will facilitate Uganda's goods access the EU market.

Negotiations in Geneva aimed at creating rules and a more conducive environment for market access for our products to the markets in developed countries. We continued to negotiate for aid-for-trade, and policy space to allow for industrialization in Uganda.

The climate change meetings that have culminated in the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol. In our negotiations, Uganda continues to link the resources and access to affordable technology to ensure we do not get disadvantaged in terms of industrialization.

Negotiations that led to the Turkish Government's extension of a Credit Line to all Turkish Companies that set up business in Uganda. We are currently spearheading Negotiations with the Turkish Government for Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments plus a Double Taxation Agreement.

Negotiations that resulted into the signing of the Free Trade Area, this is positive step towards securing markets in the 19 COMESA member states.

The Ministry in conjunction with the Ministry of International Cooperation of Egypt successfully sourced for an Investor in Uganda's Beef Industry. The investor incorporated the Egypt-Uganda Food Security Co. to operate a Modern Abattoir in Bombo. The implementation of this Project is on course.

The Ministry coordinated meetings that led to signing of MOUs between the Ministries of ICT of Uganda and Egypt covering the following Areas of Cooperation.

- a) Communication Technology Infrastructure
- b) ICT Capacity Building Program
- c) Documentation of Cultural Heritage and History
- d) Cyber Security
- e) Establishment and Management of an IT Park in Uganda.

In November, 2012 Uganda and South Africa jointly chaired the Inaugural session of their Joint Commission of Cooperation (JCC), at which a wide range of bilateral, regional and international issues of mutual interest were reviewed. These include deepening cooperation in the fields of trade, social development and public works. We also agreed to broaden cooperation to new sectors, including tourism, human settlement, health and higher education.

The Ministry sourced scholarships for Ugandans to study abroad. Key among these is 30 Petroleum Studies Scholarships in Trinidad and Tobago, 25 Scholarships from the OIC and 53 scholarships in Turkey and Cyprus, a total of 85 scholarships from the three Asia countries of China, India and South Korea. These opportunities were communicated to the relevant Government MDAs.

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The Ministry continues to work with other stakeholders to widen and deepen the East African Community (EAC) Regional integration agenda. The recently signed Protocol on Foreign Policy Coordination by EAC member states is a positive development.

At the continental level, the Ministry is working with other stakeholders to ensure harmonization of regional groupings beginning with the EAC, SADC and COMESA Tripartite Agreement. Mobilization of Bilateral and Multilateral Resources for Development

Our diplomatic Missions abroad continue to be a major vehicle through which the country promotes investment, trade, tourism, technology transfer, and external resource mobilization for the development of Uganda. For example, over \$1bn has been mobilised since June 2012 to finance infrastructure such as roads, health, ICT, agriculture, oil and gas, water and sanitation etc. For example, the Ministry lobbied for MOUs between the government of Uganda and the Islamic Development Bank to provide loans and grants for the following:

- a. Development of a Specialized Maternity and Neo-natal Health Care Unit at Mulago Hospital
- b. The Community Agriculture Infrastructure Improvement Program
- c. Enhancing National Food Security Project
- d. Reconstructing and Equipping Technical Institutes
- e. The Rural Electrification Project.

The Ministry facilitated the visit of Zanzan Investment Group from Iran to Uganda. The Group signed an Agreement to invest in the 2nd Phase of the Expansion of the Naguru Police Health Centre under a Public Private Partnership with the Uganda Police.

The Ministry participated in negotiating the funding of the renovation of Jinja Bridge by the Japanese government

The Ministry facilitated the signing of two major bilateral agreements with South Korea, namely, the Framework Agreement of Grant Aid for the year 2013 and an MOU on cooperation in the fields of energy and mineral resources. This will see increased funding of ICT infrastructure and other fields by Korea.

The Ministry facilitated the visit of the external relations Minister of India and there was a commitment in principle of 400 million US dollars to support the construction of Isimba hydro power dam.

The Ministry coordinated the visit of H.E the President of Sri Lanka and meetings were held to strengthen cooperation between the two countries. The Sri Lankan president agreed to cooperate in rubber, textile, and mini hydro power dams. Five agreements and MOUs were signed to this effect.

Promotion of International law and commitments and ensure reporting obligations on International Treaties and Conventions

The Ministry continues to actively participate in the negotiation of international agreements and instruments.

In April, 2013, the Ministry participated in the 53rd Session on People and Human Rights Council in Banjul, Gambia at which the Protocol to the African Charter on Human rights for Women in Africa and model law on access to Information for Africa were launched. In relation to the Commonwealth the ministry participated in meetings that adopted the draft Commonwealth Charter for the unilateral decisions

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on Human rights for consideration by the Heads of Government.

The ministry engaged other governments and signed a number of agreements, memoranda of Understanding, protocols and reached various decisions including:

- An MOU with the Irish Government in support of the development and rehabilitation of Northern Uganda.
- An Agreement with Iceland in support of Air Service
- Finalized two agreements with United Arab Emirates on the promotion and protection of Investments and avoidance of double taxations
- Finalized the status of Force agreement with the USA
- Finalized draft partnership agreement for Eretria and Ethiopia
- Coordinated the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Uganda Ministry of Health and MASHAV from Israel
- Renewed the Technical Aid Corps (TAC) Agreement with Nigeria
- Initiated the Uganda - Qatar and Uganda – Netherlands bilateral Air services Agreement
- Concluded the agreement on investment protection and trade with Turkey
- Military training agreements with Greece and Netherlands
- Facilitated signing of an MOU with Korea in Education, Sri Lanka to cooperate in rubber, textile and mini hydro power dams and Thailand.

The Ministry in consultation with other ministries and Human Rights bodies developed a plan of action for the implementation of the Universal Periodic Review recommendations.

#### (v) Mobilization and Empowerment of Diaspora for Development

The Ministry worked with various stakeholders to finalize the National Diaspora Policy and Compendium on Diaspora Investments. This involved participating in best practice visits and feasibility studies on issuance of International Diaspora bonds. The bonds are considered as a viable alternative to raise finances for development. The Diaspora bonds and investment compendiums are to enable the Ugandan Diaspora invest in Uganda and contribute to national development beyond remittances.

Provision of Diplomatic, Protocol and Consular Services at Home and Abroad.

The Ministry continues to provide Protocol and Consular Services at the Headquarter and Missions Abroad. These include issuance of passports, visas, consular services to distressed Ugandans in Diaspora and administering Privileges and Immunities extended to Diplomatic Missions and International Organizations accredited to Uganda.

During the period under consideration, the Ministry provided Protocol Services to H.E the President while on visits abroad (such as to Iran, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Ethiopia, Congo Brazzaville, South Africa, Tanzania, U.K, Kenya, South Sudan, South Korea and Japan); courtesies were also extended to visiting Heads of State, Special Envoys, and other Dignitaries.

Provided protocol services during major International conferences hosted by Uganda. Key among these are ICGLR, COMESA and Commonwealth Local Government Summits. We also provided protocol services during Uganda's 50th Independence anniversary celebrations and other National days.

The Ministry accredited 35 Heads of Diplomatic Missions and Honorary Consuls to Uganda and organised credential ceremonies for 21 Ambassadors and High Commissioners.

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We finalised Uganda's Protocol Handbook, which is a standardised abridged reference that provides basic guidelines for Protocol-related matters. The handbook is intended to provide Information and Guidance on the proper exercise of Protocol and Etiquette for all Government officials/Institutions as they plan, organise, conduct and attend national ceremonies and International conferences in addition to dealing with Resident Diplomatic Missions and other Governments.

#### Public Diplomacy to Enhance Our Image Abroad

The Ministry finalized two Publications; the Historical Assessment of Uganda's diplomacy since 1962 in a book entitled "Uganda and the World". This book provides historical information for Half a century of Foreign Policy-1962-2012. The Ministry also finalized a book entitled "Uganda at the Security Council 2009-2010". These books will be launched in July.

The Ministry introduced post conference media briefings and started publishing supplementary pullout in the dailies on the role of Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

By continuing to present a positive image of Uganda abroad, the Ministry has through its Missions promoted better understanding and appreciation of the country as the best destination for tourism, trade and investment and provided credibility for Ugandans applying for international jobs.

The Ministry has continued to lobby for its candidatures to take up higher positions in the international fora. The Ministry successfully lobbied for Uganda's Candidature for the AU Peace and Security Council; and Uganda's Presidency for the UN General Assembly 2014/2015 where Uganda will be able to articulate issues affecting Africa and Uganda.

The Ministry has also lobbied for Uganda's Chairmanship of the AU's Court of Human Rights and Chairperson of NEPAD, COMESA etc.

#### Strengthening Institutional Capacity of the Ministry and Affiliated Institutions

The ministry of Foreign Affairs is cognizant of the fact that ICT is a major tool in resolving intra and inter communication within and with our missions abroad and all MDAs. The Ministry is also cognizant that the degree of effectiveness of the communication determines the success level of an organization compared to others.

In this regard, the Ministry with support from UNDP deployed a consultant to study, design and recommend an appropriate Integrated Communication System solution (ICS) and this phase has been completed. The integrated communication system will most importantly support data exchange, video and VoIP communication within the HQ, between the HQ and the missions, and between the missions/HQ and other MDA's. This should result in improved productivity through facilitation of video conferencing and convergence, faster decision making, information sharing and service delivery, support for instant chat messaging and email support. So far an Official email solutions setup for headquarters has been established, the Ministry website has been redesigned and upgraded ([www.mofa.go.ug](http://www.mofa.go.ug)), there has been training of the ministry's Top managers on use of ICT, and the MIS design phase was completed. The Ministry is joining the e-government directory (mails, internet). All this is aimed at ensuring all the ministry's operations are computerized to achieve the required efficiency.

We undertook consultations on the feasibility of establishing the Uganda Institute of Diplomacy and

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International Affairs-UIDIA. This is a Think- Tank designed for foreign policy research, specialised diplomatic training and professional publications.

We finalized and secured the approval of the Scheme of Service and Human Resource Development policy from the Ministry of Public Service. The policy provides an arrangement for recruitment, Career and Career development and retirement in the Foreign Service.

The Ministry continues to source for scholarships for Ugandans to study abroad to improve on skills development and overall capacity building. For example, the Ministry has sponsored several staff members for over 50 short-term diplomatic courses in China, South Korea, Australia, Turkey, Egypt, Kenya and Nigeria. Additionally, 10 staff members are currently undertaking Master's training in South Korea, USA, Italy and Malta; and 12 are attending postgraduate training at different institutions in Uganda.

We completed the renovation of Uganda House in New York and signed a contract for construction of an Embassy building in Kigali the construction is on course. We have also finalized drawings for Uganda House Nairobi and embarked on procurement for the construction and renovation of Juba chancery, former Chancery and residences in Kinshasa – DRC, the chancery in Ottawa, and the official residence in Pretoria.

The ministry through negotiations managed to agree with Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development (MoFPED), Parliamentary Budget Committee and Ministry of Foreign Affairs that effective 2014/2015, the Non Tax Revenue from Ministry of Foreign Affairs should be reinvested for acquisition, development, and management of properties abroad. An account will be opened with Bank of Uganda dedicated to the activities above, under the supervision of MoFPED.

#### *Preliminary 2013/14 Performance*

The ministry has achieved the following within the first six months of implementing the FY 2013/14 budget:

#### Promotion of Regional and International Peace and Security

As the Chair of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR), Uganda promoted Peace initiatives by holding 1 ICGLR conference aimed at finding a lasting solution to the security situation in Eastern DRC. The summits recommended resumption of talks.

The Ministry coordinated the holding of the AMISOM Troop Contributing Countries Summit for Somalia in Kampala in August and decisions on improving the security situation in Somalia were made.

The Ministry organized tripartite meetings in Kampala in September on fast tracking of the EAC political federation.

#### Commercial and Economic Diplomacy

The Ministry Participated in market access negotiations including WTO meetings in Geneva and other capitals to ensure preparations for Bali round of negotiations due in December 2013

The Ministry coordinated the signing of Memoranda of Understanding in the following fields of trade and investment with the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka

Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in Food Security, Trade and Investment in Agricultural Products and Commodities.

Memorandum of Understanding between Private Sector Foundation of Uganda and Board of Trade of Sri Lanka.



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Agreement on the Promotion and Protection of Investments.  
Memorandum of Understanding on Technical Cooperation

The Ministry coordinated the signing the Memorandum of Understanding between Uganda and China on 17 September 2013 in which USD560mn is to be invested in the Sukulu Phosphates Project in Tororo.

The Ministry sourced scholarships for Ugandans to study abroad. Key among these is Petroleum Studies Scholarships in France, 53 scholarships from the Asian countries of China, Japan, Thailand, Sri Lanka India and South Korea. These opportunities were communicated to the relevant Government MDAs.

The Ministry coordinated the signing of a Grant Agreement for the Project to improve water Source for Resettled Internally Displaced Persons in Acholi Sub-Region between Japan International Cooperation Agency and the Government of the Republic of Uganda, on 4 July 2013.

The Ministry Coordinated the signing of the Grant Agreement for the Project for Rural Electrification (Phase III) between Japan International Cooperation Agency and the Government of the Republic of Uganda, signed by Hirofumi Hoshi, Chief Representative JICA Uganda Office and Minister of Finance, Planning & Economic Development on 4 July 2013.

We participated in various WTO meetings in Geneva and other capitals to ensure preparations for BALI round of negotiations due in December 2013

Promotion of International law and commitments and ensure reporting obligations on International treaties and Conventions

The Ministry participated in the meeting of the Technical Support Committee of the Regional Oversight Mechanism in September, 2013 in Nairobi. Developed Bench marks for implementation of the peace, Security and Cooperation Framework for adoption by the East Africa Heads of States on 24th September, 2013.

The Ministry held meetings with the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Trafficking in Persons on 04th September 2013. The meeting established initial contact made and ideas exchanged on cooperation in the field of human trafficking.

During the ICGLR Conference of 5th September 2013 in Kampala, a communiqué was adopted which set a timeline for the completion of the Kampala Dialogue between M23 and DRC Government. The participating states also agreed on the participation of MONUSCO in the Expanded Joint Verification Mechanism (EJVM).

During the AMISOM TCCs on 4th August 2013, a communiqué was agreed on which among others underlined the focus to neutralize al-shabaab by the TCC's regional partners with support from international partners. The member states also agreed to review recent United Nations Security Council resolutions with regard to the contemplated re-enforcing of the AMISOM.

Other agreements, MOUs, protocols and decisions reached include:

An MOU for consultation mechanism between Uganda and Venezuela

An MOU between Uganda and Canada on the deployment of Formed police Unit to the AU mission in Somalia was signed in July 2013

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A Grant Agreement for the Rural Electrification Project (Phase III) between Japan International Cooperation Agency and the Government of the Republic of Uganda.

#### Mobilization and empowerment of Diaspora for Development

The Ministry participated in the UNAA Convention in Dallas Texas and the UK convention where the Ugandans in Diaspora were sensitized on investment opportunities available in Uganda. This was meant to attract them to invest at home.

#### Provision of Diplomatic, Protocol and Consular Services at home and abroad

The Ministry provided Protocol Services to H.E the President while on visits abroad (such as to Washington, New York, Netherlands, Kenya, Ethiopia, Tanzania, and U.K.). Courtesies were also extended to visiting Heads of state, special envoys and other dignitaries.

Protocol services were provided during ICGLR and AMISOM TCC Summits, COMESA Infrastructure Investment Conference and the Launch of African Queens and Women Cultural Leaders' Network. Protocol services for The National Youth day celebrations were provided.

#### Public Diplomacy to enhance our image abroad

The Ministry continued with post conference media briefings and publishing supplementary pullouts in the dailies on the role of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and countering negative media publicity in an effort to protect Uganda's image regarding foreign relations.

By continuing to present a positive image of Uganda abroad, the Ministry has through its Missions promoted better understanding and appreciation of the country as the best destination for tourism, trade and investment and provided credibility for Ugandans applying for international jobs.

The Ministry started on the campaigns to secure Uganda's Presidency of the United Nations General Assembly for the year 2014/15.

#### Strengthening Institutional Capacity of the Ministry and Affiliated institutions

The Ministry continues to source for scholarships for Ugandans to study abroad to improve on skills development and overall capacity building. For example, the Ministry has sponsored several staff members for 17 short-term diplomatic courses in South Korea. Additionally, 4 staff members are currently undertaking Master's training in France, UK, China and Malta; 6 members of staff were promoted and 2 Foreign Service officers were recruited on contract.

We continued to supervise and monitor the ongoing works on the embassy building in Kigali, the Juba chancery, former chancery and residences in Kinshasa-DRC, the chancery in Ottawa and the official residence in Pretoria.

#### Table V2.1: Past and 2014/15 Key Vote Outputs\*

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<i>Vote, Vote Function Key Output</i>	<b>Approved Budget and Planned outputs</b>	<b>2013/14 Spending and Outputs Achieved by End Dec</b>	<b>2014/15 Proposed Budget and Planned Outputs</b>
<b>Vote: 006 Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b>			
<i>Vote Function: 1621 Regional and International Co-operation</i>			
<b>Output: 162101</b>	<b>Cooperation frameworks</b>		
<i>Description of Outputs:</i>	Regional and International peace and security promoted	Chaired 2 ICGLR conferences( one in Kampala, the other in Nairobi) on stabilising Eastern DRC.	Regional and International Peace and Security promoted
	International Jobs secured for Ugandans	Mobilised resources in form of grant agreements from JICA on the rural electrification project and project to improve water sources for IDPs	International conferences attracted Uganda's Image and interests promoted and protected in all regional and international conferences
	Resources mobilised for national development.		
	3 JPCs Held	Held a Summit for Somalia Troop contributing countries in Kampala in August and decisions on improving the security situation in Somalia were made.	
<i>Performance Indicators:</i>			
Status of progress on Bilateral engagements			c) 3 Follow-up meetings on implementation progress on border demarcation
Status of the Multilateral negotiations			c) Participate in Summits for EAC, COMESA, AU, WTO and UN and Hold 1 Conference (ICGLR) to promote and project country's interests (Human Rights, Resources mobilization, peace and security, borders and border resources, integration and capacity building)
	<i>Output Cost: UShs Bn:</i>	<i>1.549</i>	<i>UShs Bn:</i>
		<i>UShs Bn:</i>	<i>0.351</i>
			<i>1.662</i>
<b>Output: 162102</b>	<b>Promotion of trade, tourism, education, and investment</b>		
<i>Description of Outputs:</i>	42 Bilateral meetings facilitated on economic issues	4 Bilateral meetings were facilitated on economic issues with Russia, Indonesia, Argentina and UAE.	Resources mobilized Inward investments, trade and tourism promoted
	Markets for Uganda's Products secured	Over 100 scholarships were sourced from different countries for Ugandans	EAC Foreign policy protocol implemented
	38 MoUs initiated and signed on trade, tourism and investment.	Participated in WTO negotiations in Geneva to increase access of Ugandan products on the world market	
		12 MOUs were signed in areas of trade and investment with China, Sri Lanka, Japan, Kenya, Rwanda	
<i>Performance Indicators:</i>			

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<i>Vote, Vote Function Key Output</i>	<b>Approved Budget and Planned outputs</b>	<b>2013/14 Spending and Outputs Achieved by End Dec</b>	<b>2014/15 Proposed Budget and Planned Outputs</b>
Market access for Uganda products secured Efforts taken to increase number of tourists attracted <i>Output Cost: US\$ Bn:</i>	<i>0.417</i>	<i>US\$ Bn: 0.076</i>	Bilateral and Multilateral Agreements signed Attract at least shs 1 bn in foreign tourist revenue <i>US\$ Bn: 0.667</i>
<b>Vote Function Cost</b>	<b>US\$ Bn:</b>	<b>5.177 US\$ Bn:</b>	<b>3.269 US\$ Bn: 3.759</b>
<b>Vote Function: 1622 Protocol and Consular Services</b>			
<b>Output: 162202</b>	<b>consular services provided</b>		
<i>Description of Outputs:</i>	Protocol Services up to state level provided	Protocol services given at home and abroad on presidential visits and other VIPs	Protocol Services up to state level provided
	International Conferences and State ceremonies managed	1 ICGLR conference and 1 AMISOM TCC summit managed	International Conferences and State ceremonies managed
	Visa and passport applications processed.	Visa and passport applications processed	Visa and passport applications processed.
	Cases / disputes of Ugandans abroad handled		Cases / disputes of Ugandans abroad handled
<i>Performance Indicators:</i>			
Number of presidential and other VIP Visits facilitated.	13	8	10
Number of International and national ceremonies facilitated	24	6	8
Number of Diaspora events held	2	2	1
<i>Output Cost: US\$ Bn:</i>	<i>0.060</i>	<i>US\$ Bn: 0.011</i>	<i>US\$ Bn: 0.078</i>
<b>Vote Function Cost</b>	<b>US\$ Bn:</b>	<b>0.515 US\$ Bn:</b>	<b>0.235 US\$ Bn: 0.528</b>
<b>Vote Function: 1649 Policy, Planning and Support Services</b>			
<b>Vote Function Cost</b>	<b>US\$ Bn:</b>	<b>20.149 US\$ Bn:</b>	<b>7.851 US\$ Bn: 21.396</b>
<b>Cost of Vote Services:</b>	<b>US\$ Bn:</b>	<b>25.684 US\$ Bn:</b>	<b>11.355 US\$ Bn: 25.684</b>

\* Excluding Taxes and Arrears

### 2014/15 Planned Outputs

Regional and International Peace and Security promoted with emphasis on ICGLR member states and special attention on DRC. Others include Somalia, Kigali, Sudan, and South Sudan. Peaceful neighbourhood by ensuring border demarcation under the AU border programme, observing peaceful elections in neighboring countries, managing the strategic shared resources and engaging neighbours in beneficial integration.

Resources mobilized, inward investments, trade and tourism promoted in liaison with Missions abroad. Exploiting the FOCAC, TICAD, and other cooperation systems without strings attached

International conferences attracted and hosted

Uganda's Image and interests promoted and protected in all regional and international conferences/conventions specifically the AU, OIC, UNSC, EAC, Tripartite, UNGA, etc. Document Uganda's contribution during its tenure as the chair of the ICGLR, EAC and COMESA.

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Protocol, Consular and Diplomatic services provided

Implementation of the reviewed Foreign Policy that includes promotion of commercial diplomacy

Implementation of the Human Development Policy through rolling out Uganda Institute of Diplomacy and International Affairs (UIDIA) modules

Arrears in contribution to International Organizations cleared

The Ministry's building renovated and tenderings under missions undertaken.

Implementation of the Diaspora policy and Protocol manual

**Table V2.2: Past and Medium Term Key Vote Output Indicators\***

Vote Function Key Output Indicators and Costs:	2012/13 Outturn	2013/14 Approved Plan	Outturn by End Dec	MTEF Projections		
				2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
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<b>Vote Function: 1621 Regional and International Co-operation</b>						
Status of progress on Bilateral engagements				c) 3 Follow-up meetings on implementation progress on border	b) Holding or participating in Bilateral consultations (JP and other bilateralC) to conclude Joint communiqué and agreements.	c) 3 Follow-up meetings on implementation progress for 3 JPCs (Rwanda, South Sudan and South
Status of the Multilateral negotiations				c) Participate in Summits for EAC, COMESA, AU, WTO and UN and Hold 1 Conference (ICGLR) to promote and project country's interests (Human Rights, Resources mobilization, peace and security, borders and border resources, integration and capacity building)	b) Holding Ministerial level meetings for EAC, COMESA, AU, WTO, UN and ICGLR to adopt Country's positions on various issues.	c) Participate in Summits for EAC, COMESA, AU, WTO and UN and Hold 1 Conference (ICGLR) to promote and project country's interests (Human Rights, Resources mobilization, peace and security, borders and border resources, integration and capacity building)
Efforts taken to increase number of tourists attracted				Attract at least shs 1 bn in	a) Foreign Markets with	a) Foreign Markets with

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Vote Function Key Output Indicators and Costs:	2012/13 Outturn	2013/14 Approved Plan	Outturn by End Dec	MTEF Projections		
				2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Market access for Uganda products secured				foreign tourist revenue Bilateral and Multilateral Agreements signed	issues identified a)Foreign Markets with issues identified	issues identified a)Foreign Markets with issues identified
<b>Vote Function Cost (US\$ bn)</b>	<b>2.568</b>	<b>5.177</b>	<b>3.269</b>	<b>3.759</b>	<b>2.759</b>	<b>2.868</b>
<b>Vote Function:1622 Protocol and Consular Services</b>						
Number of Diaspora events held		2	2	1	2	2
Number of International and national ceremonies facilitated		24	6	8	14	10
Number of presidential and other VIP Visits facilitated.		13	8	10	13	14
<b>Vote Function Cost (US\$ bn)</b>	<b>0.419</b>	<b>0.515</b>	<b>0.235</b>	<b>0.528</b>	<b>0.528</b>	<b>0.528</b>
<b>Vote Function:1649 Policy, Planning and Support Services</b>						
<b>Vote Function Cost (US\$ bn)</b>	<b>10.904</b>	<b>19.992</b>	<b>7.851</b>	<b>21.396</b>	<b>24.521</b>	<b>26.436</b>
<b>Cost of Vote Services (US\$ Bn)</b>	<b>13.891</b>	<b>25.684</b>	<b>11.355</b>	<b>25.684</b>	<b>27.808</b>	<b>29.832</b>

### Medium Term Plans

Missions opened in strategic locations i.e. Mombasa, Kuala Lumpur, Jeddah, Dubai, Tel Aviv and Asmara

Regional peace and Security promoted especially by mediating in situations developing in the region, observing peaceful elections in neighboring countries, managing the strategic shared resources, engaging other members in beneficial integration.

Trade, inward investment, education and tourism promoted especially by negotiating the policy direction.

Continuous provision of consular services and protocol services

Staff recruited to fill the approved Ministry structure

Arrears to International Organizations cleared

Commission the Nile Basin Commission and conclude the Nile Basin Agreement

Follow-up and report progress on the Regional Infrastructure projects and conclude the protocol on EAC foreign policy coordination

### (ii) Efficiency of Vote Budget Allocations

To ensure efficiency in resource allocation the Ministry will minimize costs associated with hosting international conferences by lobbying participating organisations to make a contribution towards the Hosting. The Ministry has also maximized allocations for participation in international conferences to ensure the promotion and protection of Uganda's Image.

**Table V2.3: Allocations to Key Sector and Service Delivery Outputs over the Medium Term**

Billion Uganda Shillings	(i) Allocation (Shs Bn)				(ii) % Vote Budget			
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Key Sector	2.0	2.3	2.3	2.3	7.7%	9.1%	8.4%	7.9%
Service Delivery	0.1	0.1	0.1		0.2%	0.3%	0.4%	

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Not applicable

**Table V2.4: Key Unit Costs of Services Provided and Services Funded (Shs '000)**

Unit Cost Description	Actual 2012/13	Planned 2013/14	Actual by Sept	Proposed 2014/15	Costing Assumptions and Reasons for any Changes and Variations from Plan
<i>Vote Function: 1622 Protocol and Consular Services</i>					
Consular services					0 The Ministry has allocated funding to enable officers handle case of Ugandans in Diaspora

### (iii) Vote Investment Plans

The Ministry in the medium term will renovate the building, procure vehicles for protocol and construct the Institute for Diplomacy and International Affairs including the Ministry's archive.

**Table V2.5: Allocations to Capital Investment over the Medium Term**

Billion Uganda Shillings	(i) Allocation (Shs Bn)				(ii) % Vote Budget			
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Consumption Expenditure (Outputs Provided)	12.6	12.1	10.2	11.2	49.1%	47.2%	36.8%	37.5%
Grants and Subsidies (Outputs Funded)	12.4	12.9	17.0	17.6	48.3%	50.2%	61.3%	59.1%
Investment (Capital Purchases)	0.7	0.7	0.5	1.0	2.6%	2.6%	1.9%	3.4%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>29.8</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### MAJOR CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

The vote has no capital investment projects exceeding Shs.1 bn shillings. The vote wishes to undertake several capital investment projects including construction of UIDIA, storied parking and renovations in Missions abroad, however it is constrained by the low budgetary allocation for development operations.

**Table V2.6: Major Capital Investments**

### (iv) Vote Actions to improve Priority Sector Outcomes

**Table V2.7: Priority Vote Actions to Improve Sector Performance**

2013/14 Planned Actions:	2013/14 Actions by Sept:	2014/15 Planned Actions:	MT Strategy:
<b>Sector Outcome 1: Free and Fair Elections</b>			
Vote Function: 16 22 Protocol and Consular Services			
VF Performance Issue: - Inadequate transport equipment			
		Provide funds to purchase protocol vehicle	Six vehicles procured in the medium term
<b>Sector Outcome 2: Improved Regional and International relations</b>			
Vote Function: 16 21 Regional and International Co-operation			
VF Performance Issue: - Changing political conditions and weak institutions in some countries affect the operationalization of cooperation frameworks			
Negotiate Memoranda of Understandings (MoU) between Uganda and various agencies / countries	Initiated and signed 12 Memoranda of Understanding, 9 bilateral agreements and resolutions to establish relations	Continue participating in regional initiatives	Continue participating in regional initiatives
VF Performance Issue: - Inadequate feedback mechanism on cooperation frameworks			
		The Ministry initiated and signed a number of MOUs through bilateral engagements,	Fast track the resolutions and decision aimed at re-integration of East African

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2013/14 Planned Actions:	2013/14 Actions by Sept:	2014/15 Planned Actions:	MT Strategy:
		regional economic blocks and summits for political relations, trade, capacity building, infrastructure and northern Uganda recovery.	Community member countries; and implement the resolutions of the Great lakes initiative and African Union
<i>VF Performance Issue: - Inadequate staffing levels and equipment</i>			
Follow up the promotion of Staff	2 FSO VI were recruited on contract and 6 officers were promoted	More Foreign Service Officers at Grade VI to be filled.	Filling the gaps with competent and qualified staff and Procure the relevant equipment
Vote Function: 16 22 Protocol and Consular Services			
<i>VF Performance Issue: - Inadequate office equipment and space</i>			
Negotiate for other sources of funding	Procured equipment and transferred archives from some offices to create space	Procure more office equipment	To acquire at least each of the varieties of the equipment each year
Vote Function: 16 49 Policy, Planning and Support Services			
<i>VF Performance Issue: - Inadequate language and management skills</i>			
		Fill 6 posts, several promotions and received various appointees and transfers in service.	- Carry out needs assessment in each department

## V3 Proposed Budget Allocations for 2014/15 and the Medium Term

This section sets out the proposed vote budget allocations for 2014/15 and the medium term, including major areas of expenditures and any notable changes in allocations.

**Table V3.1: Past Outturns and Medium Term Projections by Vote Function\***

	2012/13 Outturn	2013/14		MTEF Budget Projections		
		Appr. Budget	Spent by End Sept	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
<b>Vote: 006 Ministry of Foreign Affairs</b>						
1621 Regional and International Co-operation	2.568	5.177	0.954	3.759	2.759	2.868
1622 Protocol and Consular Services	0.419	0.515	0.112	0.528	0.528	0.528
1649 Policy, Planning and Support Services	10.904	19.992	3.933	21.396	24.521	26.436
<b>Total for Vote:</b>	<b>13.891</b>	<b>25.684</b>	<b>4.999</b>	<b>25.684</b>	<b>27.808</b>	<b>29.832</b>

### (i) The Total Budget over the Medium Term

In the Medium term the Ministry expects to receive Ushs. 82.4 billion of which Ushs 25.68 is expected to be appropriated during FY 2014/15, Ushs. 27.8 billion is expected in FY 2015/16 and Ushs. 29.83 billion is expected to be appropriated in FY 2016/17. The extra funding in each financial year will be utilized in settling arrears to international organisations.

### (ii) The major expenditure allocations in the Vote for 2014/15

The major expenditure allocation have been made to the items of staff salaries, hosting the workshop for the trilateral talks, travels to facilitate delegations in Uganda and participation in summits abroad.

### (iii) The major planned changes in resource allocations within the Vote for 2014/15

**Table V3.2: Key Changes in Vote Resource Allocation**

Changes in Budget Allocations and Outputs from 2013/14 Planned Levels:			Justification for proposed Changes in Expenditure and Outputs
2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	
<i>Vote Function: 1602 Regional and International Co-operation</i>			



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Changes in Budget Allocations and Outputs from 2013/14 Planned Levels:			Justification for proposed Changes in Expenditure and Outputs
2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	
<b>Output: 1621 02 Promotion of trade, tourism, education, and investment</b>			
<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 0.250	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 0.302	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 0.302	<i>The NDP objective of enhancing the stock of productive infrastructure is key to wealth and employment creation. Additional funding will encourage the smooth implementation of the projects.</i>
Strengthen infrastructure development under the Tri lateral talks	Strengthen infrastructure development under the Tri lateral talks	Strengthen infrastructure development under the Tri lateral talks	
<b>Output: 1621 04 Special Summits and Conferences</b>			
<i>US\$ Bn:</i> -1.495	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> -2.485	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> -2.485	<i>This funding was earmarked to activities of the ICGLR which have been carried out</i>
Hosting the ICGLR COMESA and EAC summits for enhanced markets and security.	Hosting the ICGLR COMESA and EAC summits for enhanced markets and security.	Hosting the ICGLR COMESA and EAC summits for enhanced markets and security.	
<b>Output: 1621 05 UN Security Council Support</b>			
<i>US\$ Bn:</i> -0.400	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> -0.500	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> -0.500	<i>Funds were ment for campaigns for the UN Presidency</i>
Campaigns for the UN Presidency	Campaigns for the UN Presidency	Campaigns for the UN Presidency	
<i>Vote Function: 1621 Policy, Planning and Support Services</i>			
<b>Output: 1649 21 Administrative support services</b>			
<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 0.982	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 0.082	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 0.935	<i>Facilitate participation in annual summits UNGA, AU, EAC, WTO and Peace Conferences.</i>
Administrative Services	Administrative Services	Administrative Services	
<b>Output: 1649 52 Membership to International/Regional Organisations (Pan African, WFP and Others)</b>			
<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 0.483	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 4.642	<i>US\$ Bn:</i> 5.239	<i>The increment will ensure that Uganda fulfills its obligation by contributing to international organisations</i>
Additional Funds have been earmarked to cover costs for subscription to international organisations	Additional Funds have been earmarked to cover costs for subscription to international organisations	Additional Funds have been earmarked to cover costs for subscription to international organisations	

## V4: Vote Challenges for 2014/15 and the Medium Term

*This section sets out the major challenges the vote faces in 2014/15 and the medium term which the vote has been unable to address in its spending plans.*

Implementing H.E the Presidents pledge to open a consulate in Mombasa as a major outlet for Uganda's exports. This is aimed at facilitating trade between Uganda and the World. This pledge requires Ushs. 1.2 billion.

Opening of Mission in Kuala lumpa, Malaysia to facilitate trade relations between the countries at an estimated cost of Uganda shillings 1.8bn

Funding Uganda's candidature for the UN Presidency. Uganda was unanimously supported by the African Union to take the presidency of the UN 2014-15. Uganda's nominee will be required to stay in New York, extra staff will be needed to support Uganda's chairman.

Contributions to international organizations are necessary to cover Uganda's memberships that are of strategic importance. Ushs. 19 billion is required to pay arrears in contributions. This will enable the Ministry use the funding level provided within her ceiling to cover annual subscriptions without incurring more arrears.

Following Uganda's election to chair AUPSC, the Ministry and its mission in Addis Ababa are faced with insufficient funding to take on new activities aimed at strengthening participation at the African Union Peace and Security Council (AUPSC). Additional Ushs. 300 million is required to support the extra staff to

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be deployed for this purpose.

The Ministry requires funds to carryout negotiations for Water for irrigation and production. The Ministry requires approximately Ushs.1 billion for the Nile Basin Framework which provides structures where the national interests in the use of the Nile river water are negotiated as directed by H. E to coordinate the processes.

A number of media circulations have continuously undermined Uganda's role of peace diplomacy aimed at stabilizing the region especially the DRC, to counter media and participate in mediations the Ministry requests for additions to its ceiling by Ushs 1.5 billion.

**Table V4.1: Additional Output Funding Requests**

Additional Requirements for Funding and Outputs in 2014/15:	Justification of Requirement for Additional Outputs and Funding
<i>Vote Function: 1601 Regional and International Co-operation</i>	
<b>Output: 1621 01 Cooperation frameworks</b> <i>UShs Bn: 2.800</i> African Union Peace and Security Council, the Nile Basin Commission and Public Diplomacy	<p><i>The mentioned outputs contribute to the NDP objective of Strengthening Good governance, defence and security.</i></p> <p><i>Uganda is still negotiating for the signing of the Nile Basin Cooperation framework to ensure access to water for irrigation and production in other sectors. The additional Ushs 1 billion is required to facilitate negotiations</i></p> <p><i>In addition, to strengthen participation at the African Union Peace and Security Council (AUPSC) an additional Ushs 300 million is required to facilitate activities</i></p> <p><i>Countering negative media reports in the international arena, This item requires Ushs 1.5 billion.</i></p>
<b>Output: 1621 02 Promotion of trade, tourism, education, and investment</b> <i>UShs Bn: 1.200</i> Opening Mombasa Consulate	<p><i>Wealth creation as a key objective of Uganda's economy has linkages to trade which employs a portion of the population in the service sector. Mombasa Consulate as a handling point will play a key role in reducing the time taken to do business. This is inline with Regional and international cooperation NDP objective on opening missions in strategic locations.</i></p>
<i>Vote Function: 1601 Protocol and Consular Services</i>	
<b>Output: 1622 01 Protocol services up to state level</b> <i>UShs Bn: 2.000</i> Uganda's tenure as the President of the United Nations General Assembly	<p><i>Presidency of the United Nations General Assembly facilitated.</i></p>
<i>Vote Function: 1621 Policy, Planning and Support Services</i>	
<b>Output: 1649 21 Administrative support services</b> <i>UShs Bn: 0.000</i>	
<b>Output: 1649 22 Ministry Property Management services</b> <i>UShs Bn: 0.000</i>	
<b>Output: 1649 52 Membership to International/Regional Organisations (Pan African, WFP and Others)</b> <i>UShs Bn: 19.000</i> Transfer to other institutions in form of Contribution to international organisations WFP, UN, OIC, AU, IGAD	<p><i>Becoming a member to these international organizations is strategic in nature. This is why Uganda is a member to only those that are relevant to her stability and influence her financial situation. Subscriptions are estimated at the cost of Ushs 19 billion.</i></p>
<b>Output: 1649 99 Arrears</b>	

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Additional Requirements for Funding and Outputs in 2014/15:	Justification of Requirement for Additional Outputs and Funding
US\$ Bn: 0.000	

*This section discusses how the vote's plans will address and respond to the cross-cutting policy, issues of gender and equity; HIV/AIDS; and the Environment, and other budgetary issues such as Arrears and NTR..*

### (i) Cross-cutting Policy Issues

#### (i) Gender and Equity

During the implementation of the budget of FY 2013/14, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will implement the following strategies as means of addressing Gender equality and equity, HIV/AIDS, and Environment issues:

#### Gender

In the context of Foreign Policy the Ministry will continue engaging in bilateral and multilateral negotiation process as well as in lobbying development partners in the following areas:

- Mobilizing resources to support Uganda's Gender, Youth and disability programs
- Securing appropriate technology in support of Gender, Youth and disability programs
- Lobby for Development Partners to adopt policies in support of Uganda's Gender, Youth and disability policies

At the local scene Government of Uganda is committed to promoting Gender responsive development issues. This is reflected in the National Gender Policy developed in 1997 and revised in 2007. The policy is intended to ensure that all Government policies and programmes at all levels are consistent with the long term goal of bridging gender disparities

The Ministry holds plans in FY 2013/14 to:

- Sensitize staff in mission on gender and equity
- Consider gender while placing new officers in Missions abroad
- The Ministry intends to build capacity of its staff through sensitization on gender and equity issues with the view of formulating the strategy on gender and equity for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

#### (ii) HIV/AIDS

In the context of Foreign Policy the Ministry will continue engaging in bilateral regional and multilateral negotiation process as well as in lobbying development partners in the following areas:

- Mobilizing resources to support Uganda's HIV/AIDS programs
- Securing appropriate technology in support of HIV/AIDS programs
- Mobilizing technical assistance in support of institutional capacity building for HIV/AIDS control and eradication
- Lobby for Development Partners to adopt policies in support of Ugandas HIV/AIDS policies

The Ministry here at home attaches much importance to the implementation of the National HIV/ AIDS Policy at the work place. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs strives to empower the staff to appreciate access, participate, manage and provide accountability in all HIV/ AIDS based initiatives. During the FY the Ministry intends to carry out the under mentioned activities on HIV/ AIDS in the workplace as follows:-

- The Ministry will negotiate with Ministry of Finance Planning and Economic Development to enhance missions ceilings to enable the implementation of the policy on Foreign Service Education allowance to encourage families stay together. Implementing the policy requires Shs. 4 bn
- The Ministry will continue to provide for medical allowance in all Missions to assist the infected

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- Initiate and Finalize the development of the strategy on HIV/ AIDS in the Ministry
- Enhance HIV/AIDS sensitization programmes at Headquarters and Missions abroad.
- Support HIV/AIDS work plans both at the Headquarters and Missions abroad through capacity building of staff on HIV/ AIDS.

#### (iii) Environment

In the context of Foreign Policy the Ministry will continue engaging in bilateral regional and multilateral negotiation process as well as in lobbying development partners in the following areas:

- Mobilizing resources to support Uganda's environment programs
- Securing appropriate technology in support of environment programs
- Mobilizing technical assistance in support of institutional capacity building for environment control and preservation programs
- Lobby for Development Partners to adopt policies in support of Uganda's environment policies

The Ministry will carry out sensitization programmes on environment management for staff and also continue to promote and attract tourists with the interests of visiting Uganda's National parks which generate a fee for protecting the environment and conserving wild life.

#### (ii) Payment Arrears

The table below shows all the payment arrears outstanding for the Vote:

Payee	Payment Due Date	Amount (UShs Bn)
WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME	30/06/2012	4.12
UN Agencies		0.86
ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC COUNTRIES CONFERENCE KAMPALA	30/12/2011	0.65
INT. CONF. ON THE GREAT LAKES REGION	04/04/2013	1.08
IGAD	04/04/2013	7.00
COMMONWEALTH	04/04/2013	0.31
AFRICAN UNION		4.80
AFRICAN CARRIBEAN & PACIFIC SECRETARIAT	04/04/2013	0.26
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>19.078</b>

Arrears to international organisations of Ushs ..... are incurred annually based on budgets submitted by the international organisations in accordance with the agreement describing subscription to these organisations. In future these arrears will not be incurred given that the Ministry's ceiling improves.

#### (ii) Non Tax Revenue Collections

The table below shows Non-Tax Revenues that will be collected under the Vote: