



**REMARKS ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA MADE BY MR. LYLE DAVIDSON,  
COUNSELOR AT THE PERMANENT MISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS,  
ON OTHER MATTERS: FINANCING FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL FOR  
RWANDA DURING THE FORTY-SECOND FORMAL MEETING OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE OF  
THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

(New York, 12 June 2015)

Mr. Chairman,

I wish to thank you for giving the Group the opportunity to once again raise this important matter.

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the Group of 77 and China on other matters and in particular the financing for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR).

The ICTR will be completing its judicial activities by the end of the year and any pending judicial case or appeal will be transferred to the International Residual Mechanism as per the given mandate establishing the IRM.

The Group notes that, after December of this year, the ICTR will be undergoing a number of administrative activities related to liquidation, including the transfer and disposal of assets, retention of institutional memory and expertise, and personnel issues, which are not part of the arrangement related to the IRM mandate.

In this regard, the Group wishes to emphasise that the consideration of the pending administrative and budgetary issues related to ICTR should be handled separately and in the context of a separate agenda item related to the financing of the ICTR until the liquidation is completed. The Group will not be in a position to consider these administrative elements in the context of the financing of the IRM.

The Group trusts that the Secretary-General will continue to present a separate budget under the ICTR agenda item until the liquidation is completed. This will ensure transparency and accountability, particularly in the transfer of assets and personnel issues, as well as avoid any legal complication during the liquidation exercise.

In conclusion, the Group of 77 and China kindly requests the Chairman to convey our position to the respective Offices as well as the inclusion of this statement in the Official record of the meeting.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman.

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