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Mr Chairman.

1. Since this is the first time I take the floor in this session, I would like to begin by sincerely congratulating you and your Bureau on your election as the Chair of the Fifth Committee. I assure you of the full cooperation and support of my delegation in the discharge of your noble duties.
2. My delegation aligns itself with the statement made by the distinguished representative of South Africa on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and by the distinguished representative of Singapore on behalf of ASEAN.
3. My delegation would like to thank Mr Yukio Takasu, Under Secretary-General for Management, for his comprehensive presentation on financial situation of the United Nations made on 15 October 2015.

Mr Chairman.

4. Without adequate resources, the Organization will not be able to fulfil its mandate to maintain international peace, security and promote development cooperation among all nations. Therefore, it is important for Member States to meet their annual financial obligations in full, on time and without conditions.

5. In this regard, the Lao PDR notes with appreciation that this year the financial indicators of the United Nations are generally sound and positive, and welcomes the efforts of many Member States who have made their full payment to all categories of the budgets namely the Regular Budget, Peacekeeping Operations, International Tribunals and the Capital Master Plan.
6. On its part, in spite of the limited resources and financial constraint we are facing, the Lao Government remains committed to fulfilling its obligation by paying our contributions in full and on time.

Mr Chairman.

7. To conclude, my delegation calls on Member States to live up to their obligations on contributions to the United Nations so that this only universal organization can deliver its mandates effectively and in a timely manner.
8. I thank you, Mr Chairman.