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Madam Chair,

Here we are, once again, taking part in what has become the unfortunate ritual of the UNIFIL L. Document.

Year after year, the group of G77 and China chooses to politicize the work of this committee.

Year after year they choose to single out one Member State. To this day Israel remains the only Member State to be singled out in this manner in the 5<sup>th</sup> committee.

I take the floor now to state, for the record, our disappointment regarding this repetitive biased conduct which undermines the integrity and professionalism of the 5<sup>th</sup> committee and the work we do together.

This is unfortunate as this committee has an important role to play for UN peacekeeping missions and prides itself in taking a professional and not political approach in discussions. Unfortunately this hasn't been the case these past years with regards to this specific issue.

If we truly want to do the job we are here to do, let us all remember that *repetition reinforces repetition, whilst change fosters more change*.

I thank you Madam Chair.