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Madame Chair,

At the outset, I would like to thank Ms. Jan Beagle, Under-Secretary-General for Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance, for providing last week a comprehensive overview of the financial situation of the United Nations.

First of all, it is the responsibility of the Member States to pay their assessments in full and in a timely manner. For its part, Japan has been faithfully fulfilling its obligation in spite of our long-standing domestic financial difficulties. Japan's determination to play an active role in maintaining international peace and prosperity remains unchanged and we will continue to faithfully discharge our international commitments.

At the same time, the resources of the Member States are not unlimited. My delegation would like to stress that when resource requirements are elaborated and deliberated, it is important to set realistic levels of resources that are both necessary and sufficient for the delivery of the given mandates.

Madame Chair,

We look forward to discussing the proposals by the Secretary General Guterres to improve the financial situation of the United Nations during this session with a view to reaching a consensual outcome.

Thank you.