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Thank you Mr Chairman.

I would also like to thank Mr Bernardo Greiver, Chair of the Committee on Contributions, and Mr Chandru Ramanathan, Controller, for introducing their respective reports.

The Committee on Contributions has a long history of providing sound analysis and recommendations to the General Assembly, and the Committee's reports have improved the quality of deliberation in the Fifth Committee. My delegation commends the Committee's decision to improve transparency by publishing historical scale of assessments and scales data on the Committee's website. We encourage the Committee to continue to improve the usability of the information provided on their website, particularly by providing information in formats more accessible than pdf. Transparency, including data transparency, is fundamental to accountability at the UN.

Mr. Chairman,

The United States is also pleased that the Committee on Contributions has expressed an interest in providing its experience and advice on the peacekeeping scale of assessments. My delegation believes that the Committee can be as informative on the peacekeeping scale as they have been on the regular budget, and that General Assembly decisions would be better informed and made on sounder footing when provided with Committee on Contributions recommendations on the peacekeeping scale methodology. We look forward to working with delegations to achieve this.

Thank you Mr Chairman.