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Agenda item 156 Financing of the United Nations Mission for Justice Support in Haiti (MINUJUSTH)

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Mr. Chairman,
Distinguished Delegates,

- 1. I have the honour to introduce the report of the Secretary-General (A/74/532) on the budget for 2019/20 for agenda item **156-MINUJUSTH** in Haiti.
- 2. The operational circumstances of MINUJUSTH were subject to significant uncertainty, until the Security Council, by its resolution 2466 (2019) of 12 April 2019, extended the mandate of the Mission for a final period of six months until 15 October 2019. The General Assembly, in its resolution 73/317 of 3 July 2019, authorized the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the maintenance of the Mission in an amount not exceeding \$49.5 million for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2019. Member States have been assessed for the total amount.
- 3. Estimated resource requirements of \$49.5 million for the maintenance of the Mission for the 2019/20 period represent a decrease of 59.3 per cent (\$72.0 million) compared to the approved resources for the 2018/19 period. While the proposed budget is for the same level as the amount authorized by the General Assembly in its resolution 73/317, the proposed resource requirements take into consideration the actual drawdown of formed police units, the gradual downsizing of civilian personnel and the closure of camps and other liquidation activities.

Mr. Chairman, Distinguished Delegates, I look forward to the discussions on this item.