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主席先生,

首先祝贺你当选第76届联大五委主席,中方 全力支持你开展工作。中方感谢五委主席团、行 政和预算问题咨询委员会以及秘书处为本次会议 所做准备工作。中方支持几内亚代表"77国集团 和中国"所作发言,愿补充以下意见:

在刚刚结束的联大一般性辩论中,各国领导 人强烈呼吁加强团结协作,共同应对新冠疫情、 韧性复苏、气候变化等全球性挑战。坚持多边主 义是国际社会广泛共识,加强联合国作用是各国 的强烈呼声。今年是中国恢复联合国合法席位 50 周年。中方始终是多边主义的践行者,积极参与 全球治理体系改革和建设,坚定维护以联合国为 核心的国际体系,坚定维护以国际法为基础的国际秩序,坚定维护联合国在国际事务中的核心作 用。习近平主席在联大一般性辩论中深入阐述中 方关于完善全球治理的主张,提出全球发展倡议, 反映了国际社会特别是发展中国家的共同期待。

维护联合国作用需要所有会员国都体现负责任态度,履行应尽义务。财政是联合国治理的基础和重要支柱。当前联合国财政状况仍令人堪忧。尽管广大会员国一再呼吁,秘书长多次致函会员国表达关切,但个别主要会费大国仍然长期欠费,这是造成联合国流动性危机的主要原因。中国度为支援的国第二大会费与维和摊款,最近全额缴纳产,及时缴纳会费和各项摊款,最近全额缴纳产车底前安理会已授权期间所有维和团摊款。中方等分时会员国特别是会费大国及时、足额、无条件缴纳联合国会费,履行对联合国的各项财政义务,以行动兑现承诺,保障联合国正常开展工作并履行授权。

本届五委常会将审议 2022—2024 年会费与 维和摊款比额、2022 年联合国方案计划、方案预 算、审计委员会报告等重要议题。中方呼吁各方 坚持广泛协商,谋求合作共赢。关于比额,近年 来发展中国家比额总体上升,发达国家总体下降。 这种情况非常不合理,不符合支付能力原则。中 方呼吁发达国家承担更多财政责任,充分考虑发 展中国家的困难和关切。比额计算方法中对发展中国家的宽减只能加强、不能削弱。

中方愿同各方一道建设性参与本次会议各项 讨论和磋商,支持主席的工作,共同推动会议完 成既定议程,实现预期目标。

谢谢主席先生。



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Statement by Ambassador Zhang Jun, Permanent Representative of China at the Opening of the Main Session of the Fifth Committee of the 76th General Assembly

(4 October 2021)

Mr. Chair,

I would like to start by congratulating you on your assumption of Chairmanship of the Fifth Committee of the 76th Session of the General Assembly. You have China's support in your work. China commends the work by members of the bureau, the ACABQ and the Secretariat for this meeting. China associates itself with the statement by Guinea on behalf of "the Group of 77 and China", and wishes to make the following comments and recommendations:

At the recent UNGA General Debate, leaders of all countries strongly called for enhanced unity and cooperation to address global challenges, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, resilient recovery, and climate change. Multilateralism remains the broadest consensus of the international community, and all countries made a strong voice for strengthening the role of the UN. This year marks 50th anniversary of China's restoration of its lawful seat in the UN. China is always a practitioner of multilateralism. We

are actively engaged in the reform and improvement of the global governance system, and firmly uphold the UN-centered international system, the international order underpinned by international law, and the UN's central role in international affairs. In his UNGA statement, President Xi Jinping laid out in depth China's propositions on enhancing global governance, and proposed a Global Development Initiative, which reflects the common expectations of the international community, especially developing countries.

Maintaining the role of the UN needs all member states to shoulder responsibilities and fulfill obligations. Finance serves as the foundation and an important element underpinning UN governance. The current financial situation of the UN remains worrying. Despite repeated calls by most member states and the Secretary-General's letters to member states expressing his concerns, one major contributor still has long-time unpaid assessments, which is the main cause of the UN liquidity crisis. As the second largest contributor to the UN regular budget and peacekeeping assessments, China is always highly responsible, pays the assessments under regular and peacekeeping budgets in a timely manner, and has recently paid the peacekeeping assessments within the mandated period as of the end of this year by the Security Council. We call on member states, especially large contributors, to fulfill their financial obligations on time, in full and without conditions. Member states should translate their promises into actions, to ensure the UN's work and mandate implementation.

Several important items, such as 2022-2024 scale of assessments, 2022 program planning, program budget, and the report of Board of Auditors, will be reviewed during this main session. We call on all parties to conduct broad

consultations and strive for mutual benefits through cooperation. Recent years witnessed an increase in the shares of developing countries as a whole and a decrease in those of developed countries in the scale of assessments. Such situation is very unreasonable and not in line with the principle of "capacity to pay". We call on developed countries to shoulder more financial responsibilities for the UN, and fully take into account the difficulties and concerns of developing countries. The relief measures for developing countries contained in the current methodology should only be strengthened, rather than diminished.

China is of the view that program planning should adhere to the member states-driven principle, and take into account legitimate interests and aspirations of member states. The function of CPC should be strengthened and each main committee should play its role. Program budget should be maintained at a reasonable level, and sufficient resources should be guaranteed to the area of development as a priority. The Secretariat should improve comprehensive budgetary performance, enhance cost-saving and efficiency gain, and make sure that spending is linked to performance and performance linked to accountability. The UN Bodies and Departments should focus on their core functions, avoid unnecessary expansion and duplication of mandates, thus prevent impact on efficiency and waste. China supports the BOA, as the most important external auditor, to audit fully and independently. The UN should take more measures to increase the geographical representation of developing countries in the Secretariat, and effectively address the concerns of underrepresented countries.

The Chinese delegation will constructively participate in the discussion and consultation of various items, support the work of the Chair, and work with all parties to ensure the completion of the set agenda and the delivery of expected outcomes.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.