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Mr. Chair,

At the outset, my delegation would like to extend our sincere appreciation for your leadership, and for the valuable contributions and tireless work of the bureau members and the Fifth Committee Secretariat to make this Committee's work possible. We would also like to pay tribute to the dedication of the uniformed and civilian personnel participating in UN Peacekeeping Operations around the world, and to their sacrifices toward the cause of peace.

Mr. Chair,

Japan has been and remains a strong supporter of UN Peacekeeping Operations, which play an important role in international peace and security. We will engage constructively in budget negotiations to ensure that these missions are adequately funded to fully deliver their mandates. However, this must go hand-in-hand with ensuring the effective and efficient use of resources. We will focus therefore on accountability and the impact of operations, as well as the performance of each mission. We would also like to point out that no resolution has been adopted on crosscutting policies for the last five sessions. Japan considers it one of the responsibilities of the Member States to give guidance to UN Peacekeeping Operations on a wider range of administrative and budgetary policies, and we aim to make progress on this agenda.

Also in this session, we have before us other complex agenda items, including but not limited to Investing in prevention and peacebuilding, TCC reimbursement and Improving the financial situation. My delegation will engage in all the discussions of this session in a positive and constructive manner with a view to achieving consensus on all agenda items by the scheduled deadline.

Mr. Chair,

We are pleased to be able to have a full in-person session after a long period of virtual sessions, and we expect this will allow us to have a more intensive and effective negotiation process. At the same time, it is also important to maintain the best practices we have found during the pandemic for efficiency, such as paperless drafting and off-line meetings in a virtual setting. We look forward to your leadership to reach consensus on various agendas in a timely manner.

Thank you.