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Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

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Mr. Chair/Madame Chairperson,

The United Kingdom thanks the Bureau of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations (Charter Committee) and the Codification Division of the UN Office of Legal Affairs for their ongoing support to the Special Committee. The United Kingdom welcomes report A/77/33 which provides a procedural summary of the Committee's meeting in February 2022.

Mr. Chair/Madame Chairperson,

The Charter Committee has been set up as a subsidiary organ of the General Assembly to discuss and consider proposals concerning the maintenance of international peace and security in all its aspects with a view to strengthen the role of the United Nations. But as we engage in such discussions and consider such proposals, it is important that the Committee be consistent with decisions of the General Assembly especially in relation to a matter of peace and security that involves the most serious breach of the UN Charter. It is unfortunate therefore that the Committee was not able to reach consensus in agreeing its full annual report.

Mr. Chair/Madame Chairperson,

United Kingdom remains available to engage constructively in the informal deliberations under this agenda item.

Thank you, Mr. Chair/Madame Chairperson.