Statement by Mr. Nasir Uddin (Bangladesh), Co-coordinator, introducing draft resolution A/C.6/77/L.5 on behalf of the Bureau

Mr./Madam Chair,

On behalf of the Bureau, I have the honor to introduce the text of the draft resolution entitled "Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission", contained in document A/C.6/77/L.5.

The draft resolution contained in document A/C.6/77/L.5 largely reiterates and further strengthens resolution 76/106 of 9 December 2021. The informal consultations considered a number of proposals but consensus was reached only on **preambular paragraph 14**, by the terms of which the General Assembly would draw attention to the role of voluntary contributions to the United Nations Trust Fund in Support of Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in the provision of expeditious support and protection of the rights of victims of criminal conduct perpetrated by United Nations officials and experts on mission.

In addition, a number of paragraphs have been amended with technical updates, by which the General Assembly would update the references to its resolutions and reports by the Secretary-General and reiterate its previous requests to the Secretary-General. The text in those amended paragraphs replicates the text of previous resolutions on the item.

The Working Group on the agenda item is anticipated to meet at the 79th session.

It is my hope that the draft resolution will be adopted without a vote.

Allow me to thank most sincerely all delegations who engaged in informal consultations constructively. I am confident that the draft resolution will contribute to enhanced efforts in order to ensure the criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission.

This concludes my introduction of the draft resolution. I thank all delegations for their kind attention.