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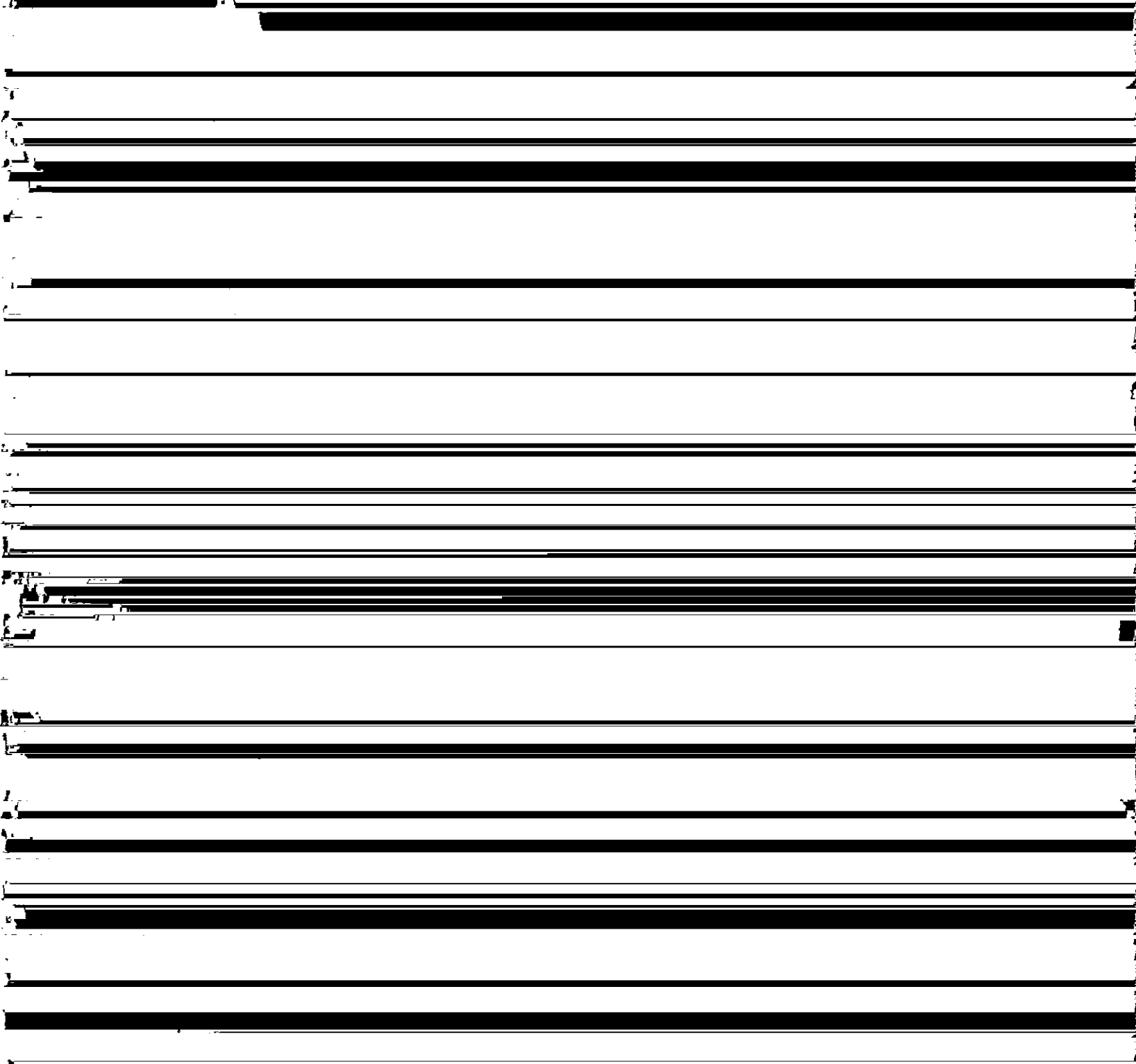
Sr. Presidente, Sres. Vicepresidentes y Relator de la Mesa, distinguidos Delegados, Señores y Señoras,

Quisiera empezar expresando mi agradecimiento al Gobierno de Fii por su generosidad al poder estar aquí.

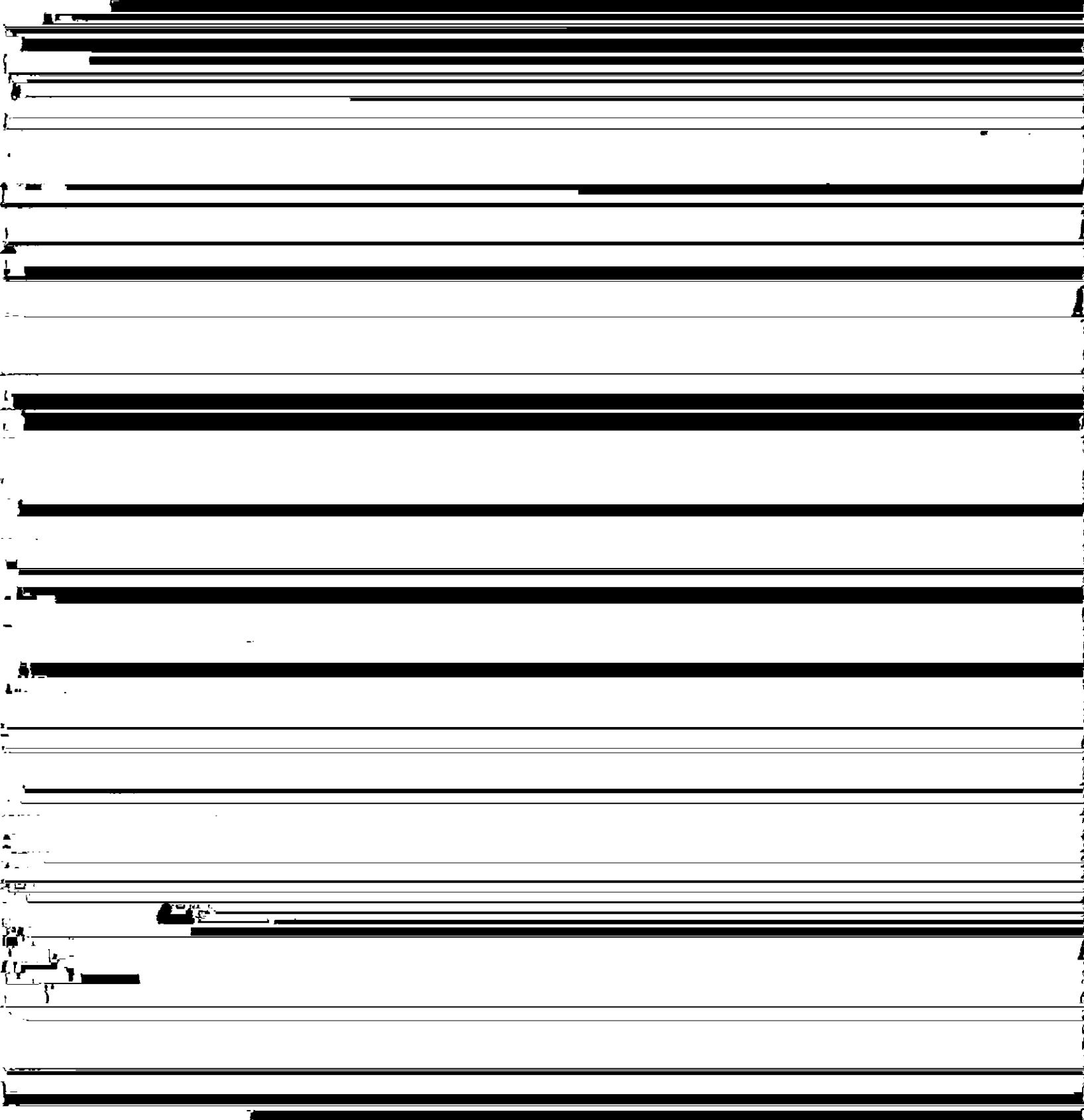
Como en años anteriores, también agradezco la oportunidad que se ofrece a mi país de trasladar a los asistentes a este seminario la posición que ocupa el país.

A mi Gobierno le parece particularmente importante que quienes analicen la situación de la colonia tengan clara la diferencia, y la consecuente posición de España, respecto a dos aspectos bien distintos:

1. Respecto al territorio cedido por el Tratado de Utrecht. España se retiró



Organización. Pero lo que no va a hacer España es ceder o sacrificar, en beneficio de los actuales habitantes de Gibraltar y de los intereses coloniales del Reino Unido, sus legítimos derechos históricos sobre el territorio.



Mr. Chairman, Vicechairs and Renowned distinguished Delegates Ladies

First at all I wish to thank the Government of Fiji for their

It is particularly essential to my Government that those who analyse the situation of the colony clearly realise the difference, and the resulting position of Spain, regarding two very different aspects:

1. Regarding the territory ceded in the Treaty of Utrecht, Spain merely recalls that the Treaty clearly delimits the spaces ceded and the conditions under which this cession took place. Taking into account the Doctrine of this Organization on the process of decolonisation of the territory, Spain is willing to reach a negotiated solution with the United Kingdom. From the beginning of the present Spanish Parliament, the Spanish Government has urged the United Kingdom to

by this organisation. Nevertheless, what Spain is not going to do is to sacrifice or surrender its longstanding legitimate historical rights over the territory occupied by the current inhabitants of Gibraltar just for the benefit of those inhabitants and the colonial interests of the United Kingdom. Spain is not going to sacrifice or surrender its historical rights because Spain's rights over the territory existed long before the existence of those