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The Ghana delegation intends, therefore, to participate fully in the deliberations on all the issues before the Committee during this resumed session in concert with the African Group and the Group of 77 and China working in close collaboration with all member states for outcomes go to strengthen international peacekeeping and political missions.

#### Mr. Chairman,

Even though we are all aware that issues mostly negotiated at the second part of the resumed seventieth session are mainly on peacekeeping operations, my delegation would like to reiterate the concern raised by the African Group regarding addressing the pending proposal on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)/ Addis Ababa Action Agenda(AAAA) as well as the revised estimates of the Department of Political Affairs (DPA) and the outcome of the High-level Independent Panel on Peace Operations (HIPO) which is also of high priority to my delegation. We recall among others the commitment made by our Heads of States and Government in signing the agreement on the SDGs in September last year and encourage all negotiating parties to work with zeal and passion during the consideration of these agenda items for a successful outcome.

#### Mr. Chairman,

In conclusion, it is our strong belief that in addition to political support, resources and capabilities are critical to the success of peacekeeping and special political missions, and that it is the responsibility of this Committee to see that those resources are available, timely and adequate. Under your very able leadership, we look forward to constructive engagement with all colleagues on all of the important issues on our agenda and to reaching positive consensus outcomes that strengthen the global partnership and sustain the important work of the United Nations peacekeeping over the coming year. The Ghana delegation is ready to collaborate with all partners in a constructive spirit in the upcoming deliberations to reach successful and timely conclusion of this main session.

I thank you - Mr. Chairman