STATEMENT ON B EHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA BY MR. MOHAMED FOUAD, COUNSE LOR AT THE PERMANENT MISSION OF EGYPT TO THE UNITED NATIONS, ON AGENDA ITEM 142:

actionable recommendations that would help enhancing the effectiveness of the entities being appraised in discharging their respective mandates. We especially commend the review carried out by the Unit of UNIDO, which highlighted, among other things, two emerging trends frequently encountered in other agencies, namely the decline in regular budget resources and the rise in earmarked voluntary contribution. Both have risk implications for governance, financial sustainability, and management functions, which necessitate thorough reflection of the committee.

- 4- The Group will also be interested to examine the review of the acceptance and implementation of JIU's recommendations by organizations. It underscores in this context the importance of achieving maximum benefit realization of the valuable work of the Unit. Furthermore, the Group looks forward to considering various issues contained therein in order to explore ways and means to improve the efficiency of the work of the Unit and its impact on the overall UN wide system. The Group is particularly concerned with the low rate of acceptance and implementation of recommendations by some organizations and will seek clarification regarding the background thereof as well the precipitating factors that led to that outcome and how to reverse that trend.
- 5- With respect to the 2018 program of work of the Unit, the Group appreciates the diversity of the projects that will be undertaken as well as the focus on issues of special importance to the whole membership such as the organizational and managerial changes in the United Nations system. The Group emphasizes in this regard the need to enhance the capacity of the United Nations system in managing change. This is particularly pertinent taking into consideration the various reforms and restructuring proposals of the secretariat and the imperative to reposition the United Nations development system to deliver on the 2030 Agenda.

Mr. Chair,

6- The Group commends the progress achieved in implementing relevant GA resolutions regarding maintaining a well-functioning web-based system for tracking up-to-date information on the status of the implementation of recommendations of the Unit. It looks forward to the completion of the migration of the web-based tracking system and the Unit's website to platforms managed by the Secretariat in 2003 (i)13 (t)-2 ()-on tai -0.003 Tc7 0 Td ()Tj ()Tj -0.004 Tc 0.0003 (h(T))