

Statement on behalf of the Member States of the European Union Delivered By

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Madam Chair,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the Member States of the European Union.

The Candidate Countries North Macedonia, Montenegro, Albania, the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, align themselves with this statement.

I would like to thank Mr. Christian Saunders, Assistant Secretary General for Supply Chain Management, for presenting the report of the Secretary General, and Mr. Cihan Terzi, Chair of the ACABQ, for presenting the ACABQ's related report.

First of all, the Member States

parts of the world, including vendors from countries where UN operations occur. We note with great interest the outreach initiatives to facilitate vendor participation and registration, and the steady progress in geographical diversification of vendors.