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Madam Chair,

Distinguished Delegates,

1. I have the honour to introduce the Secretary-General's report A/73/662 on Managing after-service health insurance (ASHI). The report reflects the analysis, conclusions and recommendations of the inter-agency Working Group on After-Service Health Insurance, established by the Secretary-General under the auspices of the Finance and Budget Network of the High-level Committee on Management of the United Nations System Chief

Executive Board for Coordination

2. The Working Group comprised representatives of 18 United Nations system entities.

3. The report has been endorsed by the High-level Committee on Management, and areas where consensus had not been reached in the Working Group are also indicated in the report.

Among others, the Working Group has recommended that (a) all agencies of health

insurance cost containment continue to be explored in the context of inter-agency discussions under the auspices of the High-level Committee on Management; and (b) the United Nations system organizations continue to give consideration to all insurance-related harmonization opportunities in support of inter-agency mobility.

5. The Secretary-General has proposed, in the report, a balanced approach to funding the Secretariat's ASHI liability by combining a pay-as-you-accrue method for staff recruited after 1 January 2022 and continue the current pay as you go method to cover staff