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Statement of the Republic of Korea Agenda Item No. 133 on Accountability

Mr. Chair,
At the outset, allow me to thank Ms. Catherine Pollard, Under-Secretary-General for Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance, and Mr. Abdallah Bachar Bong, Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) for introducing their report.

Welcoming the 9th progress report on the accountability system in the UN Secretariat, my delegation takes note of the progress made, especially regarding the status of accountability in the six components ofthe accountability system.

My delegation would like to see further information on the progress of the accountability system in the next progress report, as the ACABQ report pointed out in its report. It includes lessons learned and specific examples of improvements, which will provide a solid basis for the Committee to reinforce the implementation ofthe UN's reform efforts.

My delegation also notes the several pilot projects to implement accountability in the area of system of delegations of authority and performance monitoring, and we look forward to seeing the assessment review oftheir operational relevance.

Mr. Chair,

Almost three years has passed since the General Assembly stressed accountability as a central principle of management reform in its resolution 72/266. During this period, several important institutional changes have been made including the establishment ofthe Business Transformation and Accountability Division (BTAD) and a new system of delegation authority.

While agreeing with the conclusion of the Secretary-General's progress report that cultural change of the accountability system in the Organization will take time, my delegation believes that it is important