



Mr. Chair,

Japan notes that the Secretary-General proposes a budget level of 2.8683 billion US dollars for 2020 before re-costing. We would like to assess the overall level of the proposed budget as objectively as possible. We are also interested in having a comprehensive picture with respect to the 2020 budget encompassing those elements which are not included in the present proposals but will be subsequently considered in the context of the same budget.

Finally, Mr. Chair, my delegation is committed to engaging positively and constructively in the negotiations in order to achieve consensual outcome on this important agenda items as

I thank you, Mr. Chair.