



STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA BY H.E.
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REPRESENTATIVE, MISSION OF THE STATE OF PALESTINE TO THE
UNITED NATIONS, ON THE ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR THE MAIN
PART OF THE SEVENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE FIFTH
COMMITTEE
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Mr. Chair,

1. I have the honour to deliver this statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China on the organization of work of the Fifth Committee for the main part of the 74th Session of the General Assembly.
2. At the outset, the Group wishes to congratulate you and the members of your Bureau on your election. We trust that under your able leadership and guidance, the Committee will conclude this session in a timely manner and with a positive outcome. We take this opportunity to express our appreciation to the outgoing Bureau members for their arduous work done during the 73rd Session.

Mr. Chair,

7. In the coming weeks, the Fifth Committee will address issues of crucial importance. The Group sees as pivotal elements of our deliberations this session both the 2020 programme plan and the proposed programme budget for that same year. The Group stresses in this regard that the level of resources to be approved by the General Assembly must be commensurate with all mandated programmes and activities in order to ensure their full and effective implementation. The Group also reiterates its long standing position that mandates must determine budget proposals and not the other way around.

8. Another key priority for the Group is Human Resources Management. The Group looks forward to carefully examining the proposals and reports related to this agenda item, particularly with regard to the Secretaryrthat (o)-0.6 etr6.6 ara.8 (o) 74 T5g226 (p(2(s