

**Statement by Richard Croker, Minister Counsellor of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Mission to the United Nations on the closing of the 74<sup>th</sup> General Assembly Fifth Committee Second Resumed Session.**

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I am honoured to address the Fifth Committee on behalf of the United Kingdom for the first time.

The United Kingdom would like to express its warm thanks to the Chair of the Committee for his skilful leadership in guiding this session to a successful

We regret that the session has only concluded now due to the silence procedures we are working with in this extraordinary time being used effectively as a veto on an agreement on seconded active-duty military and police personnel,