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We join other delegations in congratulating you for spearheading the introduction of this important Agenda item 141:

We thank the Chef de Cabinet, Mrs. Maria Luiza Ribeiro Viotti, for presenting the report of the Secretary-General. We also thank Mr. Abdallah Bachar Bong, Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ), for the introduction of his report and the useful analysis, observations and recommendations made.

Our delegation fully aligns itself with the statements just delivered on behalf of the Group of 77 and China as well as the African Group by the Representatives of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana and the Republic of Mali to the United Nations, respectively. We however wish to take this opportunity to make a few additional remarks in our national capacity.

It has been two years since the adoption of General Assembly resolution 72/199 and 72/262/C, in which guided

Mr Chairman,