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**Statement
by the representative of the Russian Federation
Mr. Evgeny Kalugin during the second part of the resumed 75**

There is an increase in the number of Member States which have transferred their contributions in full to the UN Regular and Peacekeeping Budgets. As a suggestion, we would like to ask the Secretariat to inform Member States in future presentations about what “austerity measures” are lifted and/or relaxed in relation to financing through the UN Regular Budget departments and offices of the Secretariat, taking into account the payments received from Member States. We are convinced that not only the removal and/or relaxation of the current restrictions, but also increased transparency in this area will encourage Member States having arrears to follow the example of Member States which have paid their contributions in full.

Thank you.