STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA BY MS. RABIA IJAZ, THIRD SECRETARY FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF PAKISTAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS, ON AGENDA ITEM 135(b) FINANCIAL REPORTS AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, AND REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF AUDITORS ON THE UNITED NATIONS PEACE KEEPING OPERATIONS, DURING THE SECOND PART OF THE RESUMED SEVENTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE OF THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(New York, 5 May 2022)

Mr Chair,

- 1. I have the honor to deliver this statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China on agenda items 135(b): Financial reports and Audited Financial Statements and Report of the Board of Auditors on the United Nations Peace Keeping Operations.
- 2. On behalf of the Group of 77 and China, I would like to thank the representatives of the Board of Auditors, including the Chair of the Audit Operations Committee for introducing the BOA reports on UN peacekeeping operations for the 12-

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for introducing the respective reports related to these agenda items.

Mr. Chair,

6. Our Group notes the recurrence of similar or related recommendations from previous audits, as well as the emergence of new goals with respect to peacekeeping operations. The present report highlights significant shortcomings in different areas. These include but are not limited to supply chain activities such as deficiencies in inventory management and weak oversight which are concerning. We look forward to our discussions in the upcoming consultations to examine how the Secretariat can expeditiously address the issues identified and take corrective actions in this regard.

Mr. Chair,

7. To conclude, on behalf of the Group I would like to assure you of our readiness to engage constructively with all stakeholders during the informal consultations to conclude these agenda items in a timely manner.

I thank you Mr. Chair.
