

1. The Africa Group wishes to thank _____, Controller and Assistant Secretary -General and _____, Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ), for introducing their respective reports.
2. The Group commends the work of the Residual Special Court in preserving and promoting the legacy of the SCSL, especially with the commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the end of the Civil War in Sierra Leone .
3. The Group recalls the agreement between the United Nations and the Government of Sierra Leone on the establishment of a Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone, with the understanding that the expenses of the Court are to be borne by voluntary contributions from the international community.
4. The Group however note with concern the financial situation of the Court since 2015, as the Court has not received sufficient voluntary contributions for its operations, thus its reliance on subventions from the regular budget of the United Nations. The unavailability of sufficient voluntary contributions makes is difficult for the Court to effectively execute its mandates.

