

6. The Group sees the importance of the comprehensiveness of the status report of the implementation. Therefore, we suggest that the report shall elaborate on the progress achieved across all UN systems.².

7. While recognizing the progress made by Secretariat and Executive Heads to provide more access in ICT and virtual meetings for delegates with disability in many United Nation's offices, the group attaches great importance to ensure implementation of a number of JIU recommendations by the executive heads of United Nations system organizations, including: (a) Issuing necessary instructions to the Office of information and communications technology; (b) facilitating management offices to undertake periodic accessibility assessments of organizational facilities and services for conferences and meetings; and (c) ensuring that organizations of persons with disabilities are adequately consulted at all stages of the process.

Mr. Chair,

8. On behalf of the Group of 77 & China, we reiterate the Group's strong support towards an effective, accountable, and inclusive strategy in enhancing accessibility for persons with disabilities to conferences and meetings of the United Nations system.

9. We remain ready to engage constructively with all partners to conclude these agenda items in a timely manner.

I thank you Mr. Chair.
