GROUP OF G77 & CHINA

(2022-Chairmanship of Pakistan)

STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA BY MR. MUHAMMAD JAWAD AJMAL, G77 & CHINA COORDINATOR FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF PAKISTAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ON

AGENDA ITEM 1 50: ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY ASPECTS OF THE FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS: SUPPORT ACCOUNT FOR PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS DURING THE SECOND PART OF THE SEVENTY -SIXTH RESUMED SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(NEW YOR K 9th MAY 2022)

Mr. Chair,

1. I have the honor todeliver this statements behalf of the Group of 77 and China on Agenda Item 150: Administrative and Budgetary Aspects on the Financing of the

Mr. Chair,

- 6. Our Group notes that financial resources required for core activities of the support account for the period2022/23 are estimated at \$333.1 million, which represents a 4.9% increasecompared to the approved budget for the period 2021/22The Group further notes that for the 2022/23 period, the number of authorized uniformed personnel supported, including African Unionpersonnel, is expected to decrease owing mainly to the closure of UNAMID.
- 7. Our Group stresses that closure and downsizing of missions must consider the continued need for backstopping support in order to provide for completion and transition planning activities. Resources requirements must therefortake into account the specific needs f such Missionsaccordingly.

Mr. Chair,

- 8. We wish to highlight that only thoseactivities and initiatives that arefully considered and approved by the General Assembly should be budgeted for, and their resource requirements reflected insupport account after approval by the General Assembly.
- 9. On behalf of our Group, I would like to reiterate our strong support and commitment for UN peacekeeping operations and our call for adequate supptont peacekeeping operations.
- 10.We assureyou of our commitment to engage constructivelwith all members of the committee on this important agenda item.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.
