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Thank you Mr. Chairperson,

I would like to congratulate you and all the members of the Bureau for their election and I assure you of my delegation's full support for your work.

Mr. Chair,

This June, the member states signaled our continued support for the Secretary-General's reform efforts in management, peace and security, and development areas by unanimously reelecting the Secretary-General for a second-term. At the starting point of our discussion on the 2022 budget, I would like to reiterate my delegation's full support for the Secretary-General's reform efforts and our commitment to engage constructively with everyone during the discussion, including the issue of the management reform. In this regards, I would like to highlight key areas that are particularly important to my delegation.

The 76<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly is a consequential one as we enter the final phase of the daunting trial of annual budget cycle. My delegation would like to stress that the essence of the United Nations' reform efforts - to make the Organization more effective, efficient, and more accountable - be fully incorporated throughout the budget negotiation process. Also, my delegation wishes to see the lessons learned in the process of responding to the COVID-19 pandemic to increase the efficiency of the Organization.

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On the scale of assessment for the apportionment of the expenses of the UN, I would like to highly appreciate the