deliberations on time to ensure that peacekeeping operations are given the necessary resources to fulfill their mandates.

6. I would like to express our Group's gratitude for those serving in different peacekeeping Missions and pay tribute to those troops who have made the ultimate sacrifice of the lives in the pursuit of peace. The recent loss of twenty precious lives of peacekeepers in Mali and DRC is a reminder of the magnitude of risk that blue helmets face across peacekeeping operations and the importance of ensuring their safety and security through appropriate allocation of resources. We reiterate that the relevant resolutions and decisions of the Security Council, especially resolution 2518(2020) and 2589(2021), and the General Assembly must be fully implemented, in order to take all appropriate measures to enhance the safety and security of peacekeeping personnel and to bring accountability for crimes committed against peacekeepers.

Mr. Chair,

7. We also look forward to exploring options to build upon last year's resolutions on closed peacekeeping missions and to achieve a fair solution for unpaid assessments, accounts payable and other liabilities of these missions.

8. I assure active engagement of our group with all member states on other items allocated to the Committee for the second resumed session, including Revised estimates: Antiracism Taskforce Strategic Action Plan, Accessibility for persons with disabilities and Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

Mr. Chair,

9. To conclude, on behalf of the Group of 77 & China I reiterate our commitment to consider and conclude the items before us within the allocated timeframe of the programme of work. We also reiterate our full cooperation and constructive engagement with you and the Bureau to arrive at a successful outcome for this session.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.