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Statement by

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to

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My delegation aligns itself with the statements made by Iran on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and by South Africa on behalf of the African Group.

Distinguished delegates,

I want ₩§UH♥HUD♥ deep appreciation for the great sacrifices of United Nations peacekeepers.

However, we observe that the persistence of sexual exploitation and abuse by a minority of peacekeepers undermines the implementation of peacekeeping mandates, as well as the credibility and the image of the United Nations peacekeeping missions.

In this regard, my delegation s welcomes the adoption by the Security Council last March, of the resolution 2272, under which the Council endorsed the decision of the Secretary-General to repatriate a particular military unit or formed 552sf3EB10013867 ae

Distinguished delegates,

Strengthening prevention requires constant awareness-raising and training. My delegation expresses it continued support to the implementation of preventive and practical measures adopted by field missions, the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Field Support, to strengthen existing training on United Nations standards of conduct, including through pre-deployment and in-mission induction training.

In conclusion, Algeria reiterates its readiness to cooperate in order to conclude pending discussions, for the last 10 years, on the proposed international convention on criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission.

I thank you.