

STATEMENT  
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THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARTER OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS AND ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF  
THE ORGANIZATION  
BEFORE THE SIXTH COMMITTEE  
SEVENTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
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Madam Chair,

I have the honour and great pleasure to introduce the report of the 2021 session of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization, contained in Supplement No. 33 (A/76/33).

The Special Committee met in New York from 16 to 24 February 2021 and continued its deliberations on the questions mandated by General Assembly resolution 75/140

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Allow me now to take you through the Report, which consists of five chapters and one annex. The first of these chapters is entirely procedural. Paragraphs 1 to 12 list all items and proposals that were under consideration by the Special Committee.

Chapter II of the Report relates to the **maintenance of international peace and security**. Paragraphs 14 to 15 pertain to general comments on the topic. Sections A to E of Chapter II then set out the Special Committee's views on a number of items under the topic.

Section A of Chapter II covers the work of the Special Committee on the question of the **introduction and implementation of sanctions imposed by the United Nations**. Paragraphs 16 to 20 deal with the implementation of such sanctions. As requested in paragraph 4 of resolution 75/140, the Special Committee was briefed by the Secretariat on

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Section C of Chapter II, at paragraphs 31 to 34, summarizes the discussion on the revised working paper submitted by Belarus and the Russian Federation concerning **the request for an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice** as to the legal consequences of the resort to the use of force by States without prior authorization by the Security Council in the exercise of the right to self-defense.

Section D of Chapter II, at paragraphs 35 to 38, deals with the consideration of the revised working paper submitted by Cuba **on the strengthening of the role of the Organization and enhancing its effectiveness: adoption of recommendations.**

The last section of Chapter II, Section E, at paragraphs 39 to 42, covers the work of the Special Committee on the further revised working paper submitted by Ghana **on strengthening the relationship and cooperation between the United Nations and regional arrangements or agencies in the peaceful settlement of disputes.**

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Madam Chair,

I turn now to Chapter III of the Report, which deals with the item **on the peaceful settlement of disputes**. Paragraphs 43 to 48 pertain to general comments on the topic.

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**website dedicated to the peaceful settlement of disputes between States and update the 1992 *Handbook on the Peaceful Settlement of Disputes between States*.**

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Madam Chair,

Before concluding, I would like to convey my appreciation to the delegations for their cooperation, as well as to the members of the Bureau for their invaluable assistance and advice

Thank you

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