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中国代表团参赞郭学军在第70届联大五委第二次 续会关于"议题136:改善联合国财政状况"的发言 (2016年5月11日)

主席先生:

中国代表团感谢高须幸雄副秘书长介绍联合国财政状况。我们支持泰国代表"77国集团和中国"所作的发言,愿补充以下几点意见:

第一,我们高兴地看到,联合国当前财务状况总体良好, 会员国 2015 年的欠费额低于 2014 年。

第二,我们感到担忧的是,根据秘书处统计,截止4月30日,会员国拖欠联合国会费和维和摊款总额高达38亿美元,经常预算资金很可能于今年底面临紧张局面,而拖欠维和军警派遣国的费用已高达8.27亿美元。

第三,我们呼吁全体会员国切实履行财政义务,及时、 足额、无条件缴纳各项会费摊款,为联合国履行各项授权打 造坚实的财政基础。有条件的国家,特别是会费和摊款比额 较高的发达国家,应该尽可能、尽快补足未缴会费和摊款。 对于一些经济和财政状况不佳的发展中国家特别是最不发达国家,中方对其难处表示理解,支持联大继续根据《宪章》第19条规定,给予必要的照顾。

第四,在当前世界经济下行、不少国家面临财政压力的情况下,包括中国在内的35个国家仍然全额缴纳了摊款,这体现了我们对联合国的坚定支持。同时,我们希望秘书处加强预算管理,在预算执行上加强监督和问责,提高资金使用效率,用好会员国纳税人的每一分钱。

谢谢主席先生。



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Statement by Counsellor Guo Xuejun of the Permanent Mission of China to the UN, on Agenda Item 136: Improving the Financial Situation of UN, at the second part of the resumed seventieth session of the Fifth Committee

(May 11, 2016)

Mr. Chairman,

The Chinese delegation thanks USG Mr. Takasu for his presentation on the financial situation of the United Nations. We associate ourselves with the statement made by Thailand on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and would like to make some additional comments.

First, we are pleased to know that the current financial situation of the UN is generally sound and positive with member states' arrears for 2015 lower than 2014.

Secondly, we are concerned that according to data provided by the Secretariat, as of April 30th, the total arrears of member states to both the regular and peacekeeping budgets stood at 3.8 billion US dollars. The regular budget cash may face pressure by the end of this year and reimbursement owed to TCCs and PCCs has already reached 827 million US dollars.

Thirdly, we call on all member states to effectively fulfill their financial obligations to the UN by paying their assessments on time, in full and without conditions so as to build a sound financial foundation for the UN in delivering its mandates. Member states that have the capacity, especially developed countries with comparatively high assessments for the regular and peacekeeping budgets, should pay as soon as possible their unpaid assessments. As for some developing countries, the LDCs in particular, that are experiencing economic and financial hardship, China understands their difficulties and supports the UNGA in continuing to accommodate their situation according to Article 19 of the UN Charter when necessary.

Fourthly, against the backdrop of the downward situation of world economic outlook and financial difficulties experienced by many countries, there are still 35 member states, including China, that have paid their assessments in full. This is a demonstration of our firm support for the United Nations. At the same time, we hope that the Secretariat will optimize budget formulation and management, reinforce monitoring and accountability for budget implementation, and improve efficiency in the utilization of funds so as to put to good use every penny of the taxpayers of member states.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.