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#### STATEMENT

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## AGENDA ITEM 136: REVISED ESTIMATES RELATING TO PEACE AND SECURITY REFORM, AT THE FIFTH COMMITTEE DURING THE SECOND PART OF THE RESUMED SEVENTY-SECOND SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

New York, 15 May 2018 Statement by Ambassador Nabeel Munir, Deputy Permanent Representative of Pakistan Agenda Item 136: Revised Estimates Relating to Peace and Security Reform, at the Fifth Committee during the Second Part of the Resumed Seventy-Second Session of the General Assembly

New York, (15 May 2018)

Mr. Chairman,

It is always an pleasure seeing you preside over our proceedings.

I am also thankful to Chef de Cabinet Maria LuizaViotti and Chair of the ACABQ Carlos Ruiz Massieu for presenting their respective reports.

Pakistan aligns itself with the statement delivered by Egypt on behalf of the G-77 and China.

#### Mr. Chairman,

We stand at a fork in the road. Many regions in the world are plagued by crises. Violence and flaring tensions continue to threaten international peace. The global security paradigm is changing dramatically. Civilian conflicts coupled with outrageous crimes continue to pose serious challenges.

United Nations Peace Operations are key tools in the hands on the international community to counter threats to international peace and security.

We appreciate Secretary-General's commitment to reform the Organization to make it more coherent, effective and fit-for-purpose.

Pakistan is proud to be the frontline country, volunteering over 172,000 of its soldiers for the maintenance of international peace and security since 1960. We attach great importance to this agenda item.

#### Mr. Chairman,

Let me make a few specific points on the proposed Peace and Security reform:

**One,** there is a correlation between the peace and security pillar and the management tracks of reform.;

**Two,** while simplifying processes and procedures, there should be clear delegation of authority, as well as clarity on reporting lines and accountability of senior officials of the proposed new departments;

**Three**, a clear set of criteria should have been set out for transfer of backstopping field based Special Political Missions to the proposed Department of Peace Operations;

**Four,** while revamping Peace and Security Pillar, formal consultations between all the stakeholders is critical. Triangular cooperation is essential will make the UN Peace Operations more robust and agile;

**Five,** lessons learnt from past reforms, including by creation of DPKO would be relevant; and

**Six,** while restructuring the two departments, equitable geographical representation as well as representation of the TCC/PCCs in them would be essential to ensure success.

#### Mr. Chairman,

In conclusion, let me reiterate our commitment to work with all Member States and to conclude this agenda item in a timely fashion.

I thank you.

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