

**Statement of Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand)  
Fifth Committee – 29 March 2018**

Mr. Chair,

CANZ wishes to commend the Bureau, Facilitators, Secretariat and ACABQ for their hard work in preparing and supporting this First Resumed Session.

CANZ echoes the EU statement in its entirety and wishes to add three brief points:

- 1). It was right for the Bureau to shorten this Session in light of the small number of agenda items, but it is implicit in any such decision that the full Programme of Work be adopted and initiated in expeditious fashion;
- 2). The two weeks of conference services not used by 5th Committee this Resumed Session should be made available to 5th Committee as it tackles an extraordinary workload in its 2nd Resumed Session; and
- 3). In the more flexible, efficient and effective UN of the future, it should be within the purview of the Secretary-General to move resources to where they can best accomplish their mandates, free of the micromanagement and politicization that have - regrettably - become hallmarks of 5th Committee.

Merci,  
M. Le President