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**Statement of the Delegation of Mexico
On the occasion of the
75th Anniversary of the signature of the UN Charter**

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We recognize the President of the 74th General Assembly for his invitation to celebrate the values and principles of the United Nations, expressed in the UN Charter, which are still current, as they were in 1945.

75 years ago, as a founding member of the UN, Mexico signed the United Nations Charter convinced of the potential of this multilateral body, that sought to ensure a better world by promoting friendship among peoples, respect for human rights and cooperation, principles enshrined in the Charter, which also coincide with the principles of foreign policy established in the Political Constitution of Mexico.

On that occasion, 51 countries met in the city of San Francisco in 1945 to seek a more peaceful world, where the atrocities committed during the Second World War would not be repeated.

During these 75 years, the Organization emanating from the San Francisco Charter has shown us that working together we can succeed. Together, we can protect the environment, defend and assert human rights, live in peace and security, and ensure access to basic services and education for all the inhabitants of this planet.

Since the signing of the United Nations Charter in 1945, the international community has made a decision that would define a new international order: The expressed prohibition in the Charter of the threat or use of force in international relations marks a before and after in the history of the diplomacy and international law. Attachment to this principle is the heart of contemporary coexistence and civilization.

Both the Member States and all the organs and agencies that make up the UN System have the responsibility to act in a manner consistent with this and other principles of the Charter of the United Nations, and in accordance with international law in general.

Although contemporary international relations are not similar to those experienced when the Charter was signed, we must always remember that multilateral fora were created to discuss and find common solutions to common problems.

In an interdependent world, no State can solve global problems in isolation, without support from the international community. That is why, amidst the uncertainty due to the effects of the global pandemic of COVID-19 in which we commemorate the signing of the Charter, we must take this opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to effective multilateralism, and to the search for coordinated solutions, and in accordance with the principles of the UN Charter, as premises that guarantee the prevalence of the rule of law and legitimacy of the Organization.

In the same way, we call on the international community and all the members of the UN to commit ourselves to continue seeking a safer and more peaceful world, based on solidarity, cooperation and international law.