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Mr. Chairman,

At the outset, I would like to thank Mr. Angela Kane, Under Secretary-General

And now I wish to briefly outline my delegation's views on the issue.

It is the responsibility of every Member State to meet its obligations in full and in a timely manner pursuant to the Charter of the United Nations. The Government of

in maintaining international peace and prosperity remains unchanged and Japan will

Mr. Chairman,

We were pleased to hear from the Under-Secretary-General that the cash positions for all funds were projected to be positive at the end of the year. We also note

States as well as an increase of the number of Member States meeting their obligations.

These improvements can be attributed to the increased effort on the part of Member

States to meet their obligations under the Charter with payments that are on time and in

themselves at present.

Mr. Chairman,

mandates from the legislative bodies of the Organization. At the same time, Japan would also like to call upon the Secretariat to seek further efficiency, taking into account

the domestic efforts of each Member State. In this connection, my delegation would like to stress that the General Assembly should authorize the Secretary-General's proposals with a view to setting a realistic level of resources necessary to implement given mandates.

Finally, I would like to assure you, Mr. Chairman, that my delegation continues to actively engage in the discussions at the Main Part session in order to reach a consensus among Member States based on sufficient explanation by the Secretariat on the proposed budgets.

Thank you for your attention, Mr. Chairman.