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Let me thank you, Mister President, for your report and recommendations on the financial sustainability. The situation is indeed worrying. Several measures have been taken, which have given some breathing space. However, the low rate of collection shows these measures don't solve the structural problem of late or non-payment. We should avoid the normalization of this practice. The logical result of the payment shortfall is a reduction in time for the meetings of the States parties.

We would like to express our satisfaction with the sound financial management of the ISU and the excellent working of the financial security buffer. This voluntary financial mechanism cannot, however, replace regular and timely payment of assessed contributions.