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Ukraine recognizes the challenges faced by the Scientific Committee in undertaking its important work throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

In this regard, we take note of the decision of the Bureau to postpone the sixty-seventh session from July 2020 as a consequence of the pandemic, in order to allow for the fullest participation possible under these difficult circumstances.

I use this opportunity to commend the **D** and its secretariat for the efforts to ensure the sustainable and effective work amidst the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since its establishment in 1955, the UNSCEAR has been undertaking broad assessments of the sources of ionizing radiation and its effects on human health and the environment. Ukraine welcomes the substantial contribution that the Committee has been making in providing wider knowledge and understanding in this regard. Ensuring the sufficient and predictable funding, as well as efficient management of the secretariat of the Scientific Committee is a

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In our view, UNSCEAR should continue its consultations with scientists and experts from interested Member States in the process of preparing its future scientific reports. In this regard, we welcome the readiness of Member States to provide the Scientific Committee with relevant information on the levels and effects of ionizing radiation. Such information should be given due consideration, particularly in the light of Committee's findings.

Against this background, Ukraine acknowledges the attendance by several Member States as observers at the previous, 65th and 66th sessions of the Committee, as well as their planned attendance at the 67th session scheduled for November 2020 in Vienna.

At the same time, Ukraine strongly believes that the 67th Member well t el77.5smatt