

Statement on behalf of the European Union and its Member States

by

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Mr. / MadamChair,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the European Union and its Member States.

The Candidate Countries the Republic of North Macedonia

to discuss them, taking into account their practical relevance and the likelihood of reaching a consensus on them in the future. We also call for the duration and frequency of the sessions to be reviewed. We continue to strongly advocate for the implementation of the 2006 decision on reforming the working methods of the Special Committee, as also reflected by paragraph 3 (d) of resolution 73/206 of the General Assembly. This is a priority issue and we should work together to explore ways and means to achieve a better use of resources and of the meetings of the Committee.

As far as the identification of new subjects is concerned, we note that the representative of Mexico reiterated during the last session of the Special Committee their country's intention to present a written proposal regarding the interpation and application of Article 51 of the Charter. The EU and its Members States continue to question whether the Special Committee would be the competent forum to address this issue.

I thank you, Mr. / Madam. Chair.