

**STATEMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES**

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Thank you, Mister Chair. The Philippines aligns itself with the statement delivered by the Islamic Republic of Iran on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.

The Philippines is proud to have chaired the Special Committee for its 2020 Session, as this year marks the 40th anniversary of the Manila Session of the Special Committee. At that session it established a Working Group to consider a draft declaration on the peaceful settlement of international disputes. After two years of deliberations the General Assembly adopted the Manila Declaration in 1982.

The Special Committee was one of the advocacies of the great Filipino statesman Carlos P. Romulo, who noted that most of the Member States of the UN were not present

