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Committee on Information

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In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

Mr. Chairman,

Since this is the first time my delegation is taking the floor, I would like to offer my congratulations to you upon your election to the Chairmanship of this august body. I would also like to avail myself of this opportunity to convey through you my warmest congratulations to other members of the Bureau.

I express my appreciation to Mr. Kiyotaka Akasaka, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, for his comprehensive and informative presentation on the activities and strategies of the Department of Public Information (DPI).

My delegation associates itself with the statements made by the distinguished Permanent Representative of Argentina on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Mr. Chairman,

Department of Public Information (DPI) as the voice of the United Nations has the central roll in promoting the purposes and image of the Organization by disseminating its messages accurately throughout the world. In our view, the most important mission of the Department should be providing all people with accurate, balanced, comprehensive, timely

impartial and transparent manner in order to strengthen international support for the activities of the Organization. In this regard, we emphasize the important role of the Committee on

