



**Declaration on behalf of the European Union and its Member States**

**by**

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Mr Chair,

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

The Candidate Countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia , Montenegro , and Albania , the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, align themselves with this statement.

We welcome the consideration of the report of the Special Committee contained in document A/73/33.

With regard to the agenda item \_\_\_\_\_, we reiterate our appreciation that the question of the implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations relating to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions be considered by the Special Committee biennially as from the seventy second session of UNGA. On 21 February 2018, at its first meeting of the Working Group of the Whole, the Secretariat provided a briefing to the Special Committee on the issues covered by the document contained in the Annex to General Assembly resolution 64/115 of 16 December 2009 entitled "Introduction and implementation of sanctions imposed by the United Nations" Delegations expressed their appreciation for the briefing. Such a briefing and the discussions usefully complemented by the open briefings delivered by the sanctions committees, contributes to fostering positive dialogue and better understanding of the latest developments in implementing targeted sanctions as an important tool for ensuring the maintenance and restoration of international peace and security in line with the Charter.

We welcome the appointment of Daniel Kipfer Fasciati as Ombudsperson of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999), and seize this opportunity to reiterate our full support to the Office of the Ombudsperson and to call upon all Member

*effectiveness*", and for the revised proposal on "*Strengthening the role of the United Nations*

As far as the identification of new subjects is concerned, it was proposed during the last Special Committee that the latter could consider the substantive and procedural aspects of recourse to Article 51 of the UN Charter, regarding in particular interpretations of the right to self-defence in response to armed attacks perpetrated by non-States actors. 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 Chair.