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Thank you Mr. President,

Thank you for scheduling today's vote and for fulfilling your duties as Presidency on a critical matter for international peace and security. I welcome the participation of the Representative of Iran.

I wish to make three points:

First, to reiterate our concern on the scope and nature of Iran's nuclear programme. I think it is something the majority of us agree upon. It is also the reason we voted against. Iran has still not sufficiently responded to these concerns. IAEA inspections -as provided in the JCPOA- have not resumed and information on the stockpile of the highly enriched uranium has not been provided. Let me add that recent steps taken by Iran are welcome and a positive "statement of intentions" but need to be followed by tangible commitments.

Now is the time for meaningful engagement and a return to negotiations.

Second, let me stress therefore that this vote does not mark the end of the road. Instead, it should be a departure point to redouble our efforts towards diplomatically resolving the issue and upholding the global non-proliferation architecture.

Thirdly, Mr. President,

With the High Level Week coming up, and with all of the interested parties in the same room, now is the moment to talk and negotiate meaningfully. We believe that Dialogue and Diplomacy remain the most effective tools in order to arrive at a mutually agreed solution that addresses the concerns of all sides on a critical matter for international peace and security. An agreement is good for all, including Iran.

This is not the end of diplomacy – but let us seize the current moment.

I thank you.