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**Statement by Mr. Ramesh Kumar Charmakar, First Secretary
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Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the role of the
Organization**

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Mr. Chair,

At the outset, I would like to congratulate you as well as the members of the Bureau on your election to this important Committee. I assure you of my delegation's full support and cooperation in the deliberation of the work under this committee.

I align myself with the statement delivered by the distinguished representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.

Nepal attaches great importance to the work of this special committee on the Charter of the United Nations in view of the need of continuous strengthening the role of the Organization.

Mr. Chair,

Since its foundation, the United Nations has been playing an important role in sustaining peace and security, promoting human rights, and advancing cooperation for socio-economic development, among others. As prominent the role of the United Nations has been, that vital the business of this special committee has become. Nepal appreciates that the Committee, since its foundation in 1975, has played a crucial role in upholding the principles of the UN Charter by reinvigorating the Organization for maintenance of international peace and security through the peaceful settlement of international disputes in conformity with principles of justice and international law.

Mr. Chair,

Nepal believes in the crucial role of preventive diplomacy for conflict prevention and the settlement of international disputes through peaceful means. We must emphasize on consultation, negotiation, political dialogue as well as other homegrown innovative approaches as primary tools for the peaceful settlement of disputes. Nepal also acknowledges the role of the International Court of Justice, as well as the regional organizations in resolving the international disputes amicably.

Nepal views that the sanctions imposed by the Security Council should be enforced only as the last resort, upon the exhaustion of all other peaceful means, to contain the threats to international peace and security. When sanctions are imposed, adoption of appropriate measures is a must to minimize the unintended side effects of sanctions on the civilian population.

Mr. Chair,

The issue of encroachment by the Security Council on the functions and power of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council is persistently debated over the years. This Special Committee, by its mandate and competence, should examine the legal aspect of this issue with a view to avoiding such encroachment.

The ability and efficiency of the United Nations rest on the coherence and synergy in work of its principal organs, and throughout its systems. When the world is reeling under onslaught of COVID-19 pandemic and very survival of humanity is in question due to unabated climate crisis, we need effective and stronger United Nations, which delivers on the hope of people, and unite member states to solve global problems collectively. There is need of clear separation of roles and effective cooperation to prevent the duplication and overlaps of the functions of the principal organs, and the United Nations system. This Special Committee, by its rightful mandate, should contribute, in legal matters, to the process of reform, revitalization, and strengthening of the Organization.

Mr. Chair,

Nepal appreciates the continued efforts of the Secretariat for publication of the Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs and the Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council and progress made towards it. These materials have intellectual and historic significance to academia, researchers, and interested scholars of international law. We welcome the UN internship program and academic institution's cooperation in clearing the backlog with no compromise to the quality of the work.

I would like to conclude, Mr. Chair, by reaffirming Nepal's commitment to the purposes and principles of the UN to make the Organization more effective and efficient to maintain international peace and security and accelerate economic development to ensure not to leave any one behind. My delegation assures you of its constructive engagement throughout this session.

I thank you.