**Security Council Briefing**

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Talking Points

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Madame President,

We thank Ambassador Marchesi for the presentation of the 90 day report of the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737. We commend his excellent work as Chairman of the Committee.

We are pleased that on 18 October, the adoption Day of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, came into effect, and that participants began the necessary arrangements, including legal and administrative provisions, for the implementation of their commitments under the JCPOA. It is a positive step that we hope will lead to a long lasting solution to the Iranian nuclear issue.

It is crucial that during this transitional period, the Government of Iran seeks to implement all specific actions stipulated in Resolution 2231, by which the Security Council endorsed the JCPOA, so as to expedite the easing of sanctions against it, by reaching the Implementation day, putting an end to all sanctions imposed upon Iran.

As such, we strongly encourage the government of Iran to remain fully committed to the measures imposed by relevant Security Council resolutions, until the implementation day, and avoid such actions as the alleged test-launch of Emad ballistic missiles, reported to the Committee on the 21st of October.

On the other hand, we welcome the reports from the International Atomic Energy Agency, ending the 12-year investigation into allegations that Iran was developing a nuclear weapons program, thereby closing the issue of a Possible Military Dimension of the Iranian nuclear program, which is a key step towards lifting international sanctions.

In conclusion, we would like to express our recognition of Iran's right to pursue a nuclear program, exclusively for peaceful purposes, and encourage the government to continue its cooperation with the IAEA in implementing the related measures stipulated in the JCPOA and in accordance with UN Security Council resolution 2231.

Thank you Madame President