

## PERMANENT MISSION OF JAMAICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

## **STATEMENT**

BY

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## TO THE

GENERAL COMMITTEE REGARDING THE INCLUSION OF AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA OF THE 58<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE QUESTION OF THE REPRESENTATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN) IN THE UNITED NATIONS

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Mr. President,

The provisions and principles of the United Nations Charter require us to respect the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Member States. In this context, we hold the view that matters pertaining to Taiwan are internal matters which fall within the sovereignty of the People's Republic of China.

It follows that the United Nations should continue to adhere to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 2758 in dealing with the representation of China.

Jamaica is therefore opposed to consideration of the proposed item entitled "Question of the Representation of the Republic of China (Taiwan) in the United Nations" and we are against its inclusion on the agenda of the 58<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly.

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