

peacekeeping operations should be more reliable than the rather haphazard ad hoc arrangements in the past; and (b) that the formulae used for apportioning costs of such operations should be equitable to all Member States. In an ideal situation my Delegation of course would like to believe that collective financing of peacekeeping operations will be the rule, and that other methods will be exceptions. Nevertheless we have to recognize that perhaps the most we can try to do at this juncture is to achieve an understanding on the implementation of apportionment, when that method of financing is recommended by the Security Council. And I believe that our Indian and Japanese colleagues have perhaps shown us the way.

I would emphasize that what the Committee of 33 badly needs to do is to try very hard in the short time available before the Special Session to produce some consensus on a significant aspect of peacekeeping. This will enable the United Nations to meet future arrangements with less improvisation and more assurance of being able to deal with them in an orderly, economical and efficient way.

If there is a general willingness on all sides to try to develop a consensus on future financing then it seems to me that the following elements might provide the basis for it: