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with the Host Country
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Thank you, Chair.

On behalf of the United States government, we at the US Mission, and in particular my colleagues in the Host Country Section, strive to do everything we can to fulfill the obligations of the United States under the Headquarters Agreement and to be welcomed in the United States. We look forward to being welcomed in the United States.

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Assembly, the vast majority of visas were timely issued and there is no serious concern that any delegation has lacked sufficient representation.

I will not go through the U.S. views on all the specific complaints raised during this debate or in the Host Country Committee. However, the report of the Host Country Committee contains our position on the issues raised during its meetings. Senior officials in our government also continue to be in active dialogue with the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs, including through several in-person meetings this year, both in Washington and New York. This engagement remains constructive and has led to tangible results. Given this, and the recent progress made on the most central issues, we find calls for more formal dispute resolution to be inappropriate and unjustified.

The United States is pleased that the Host Country Committee has once again adopted by consensus the recommendations and conclusions that appear at the end of its report. This was accomplished through intensive negotiations among the Meml @ _ ower,e w r @

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