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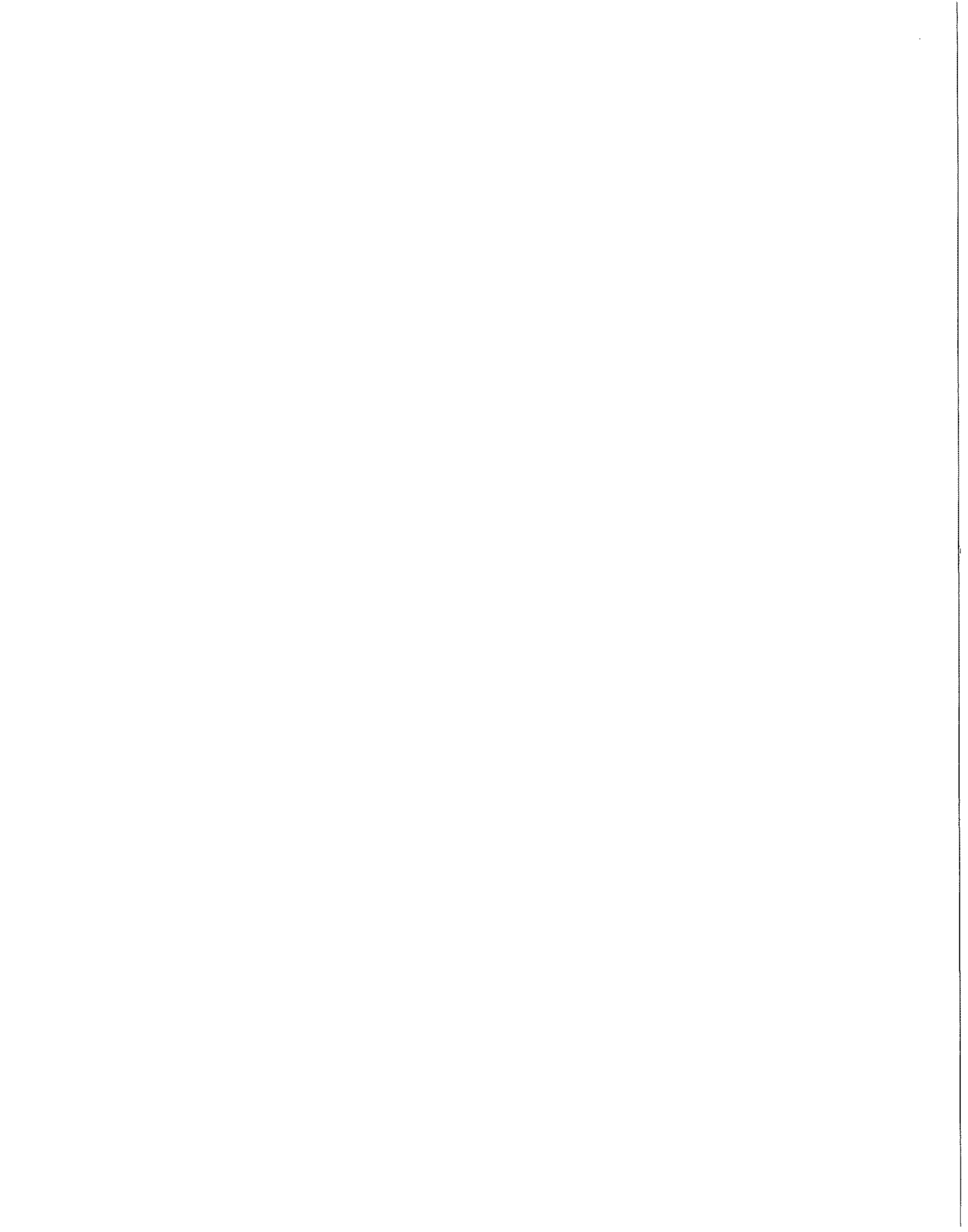
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Mr. President,

I would like to start by expressing Egypt's appreciation for your wise leadership of the thirty-second session of the Committee on Information and to thank Mr. Kiyotaka Akasaka, the Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information for his presentation at the opening of the Session. I would like also to confirm our interest in supporting the information system of the United Nations, in cooperation with the Chairman and members of the Committee and the Under-Secretary-General in order to achieve the goals of the Organization in the area of sustainable development and protecting human rights.

The Delegation of Egypt subscribes its with to the statement delivered by Yemen on behalf of the Group of 77, which identified the general framework of the Inter-agency and Inter-institutional in the common's manner. Steps with regard to policies, activities and priorities relevant to the United Nations public information affairs.

Mr. President,

The role of information and communication technology has become a major factor in the development of the world and it has become a key factor in the decision-making and work and reactions of the United Nations as the main international organ responsible for fulfilling the aspirations of peoples and dealing with governments' priorities, which increases the responsibilities with regard to strengthening and deepening international cooperation in the area of information to fill the knowledge gap between developed and developing countries and to establish an objective international information system.

While we appreciate and support permanently the efforts of the Department of Public Information to expand and spread the information message of the United Nations around the world, we call on the Department to continue and intensify its effort to address the current challenges, both for to achieve the objectives of the organization in the areas of international peace and security, economic and social

particularity climate change and other
problems of the least developed countries
We also call upon the Department to further develop and update the media
message of the United Nations and to expand the use of modern
technology, to suit the spirit of the times and contribute to the promotion of
a culture of peace and tolerance

With that in mind, and to allow the access of the United Nations
media message to all segments of the target audience around the world,
the Delegation of Egypt reiterates the importance of multilingualism and

between modern and traditional culture. In this regard, the use of radio and
printed media should not be neglected under pretext of modernization, in

and methods that it uses, including media

national and local communities in the world in the organization of
the international community through various messages able to access and

the Delegation of Egypt reiterates its call for strengthening the role of

Similarly, the Delegation of Egypt stresses the importance of achieving parity between the six official languages of the United Nations in all activities relevant to the work of the Department of Public Information, as well as the means used to transfer information, along with achieving parity in the use of six official languages on web site of the Organization, in particular with the observed continuous failure in rapidly providing information in all six official languages on the site, especially the Arabic language. We also emphasize the importance of supporting and strengthening the work of the Arabic Section in the Department of Public Information and placing it on an equal footing with other sections, in order to achieve parity in the use of the six official languages.

In this regard, the Delegation of Egypt is deeply concerned about the absence of the Arabic language, particularly in the radio broadcasts. We emphasize the importance of continuing using Arabic radio broadcast to ensure the dissemination of the United Nations media message in villages, communities and regions that may not be able to access complex technical media, especially that modernization does not mean neglecting and not using traditional media.

Mr. President,

The Delegation of Egypt encourages the Department of Public Information to continue giving attention to programs and activities related to the achievement of economic and social development of Member States. Implement the Information Special Program on the Question of Palestine and inform about the sufferings of the Palestinian people under occupation and violations carried out by the Israeli Occupying Power, contrary to the provisions of international law and the international humanitarian law and United Nations resolutions.

Also, the Delegation of Egypt stresses the importance of continuing the important role of the Department of Public Information in promoting international effort towards achieving just and comprehensive peace in the Middle East, through the provision of a comprehensive and objective information service characterized by the neutrality and honest broadcast of developments on the ground, in order to consolidate the support of the United

Nations efforts aiming at ending the Israeli occupation that began in 1967

Implementation of the Arab Peace Initiative and relevant international

instruments of reference

Thank you Mr President