



**Statement by Ambassador Mohammad Aamir Khan at the
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It is my great pleasure to express my sincere appreciation to all Member States for their invaluable efforts in reaching a consensus on the important Resolution entitled: Questions relating to Information”

2. The adoption of this resolution reaffirms the significance of information in today’s interconnected world and underscores the need for Member States to work together to promote access to reliable, accurate, and timely information.

3. Information plays a critical role in shaping our societies, combating disinformation, and advancing sustainable development. In this context, the resolution reaffirms the fundamental principles of the UN Charter, including the principles of cooperation, development, equality, and non-discrimination.

4. The resolution acknowledges the challenges that arise from the rapidly changing media landscape, including the proliferation of disinformation and misinformation. It calls on member states to promote media literacy and digital literacy, to support independent media and journalism, and to combat hate speech and incitement to violence.

5. In addition, the resolution recognizes the importance of preserving cultural diversity and peaceful co-existence. It calls on member states to promote access to information for all, including marginalized and vulnerable populations.

6. As Chair, I urge all member states to take action to implement the provisions of this resolution. It is critical that we work together to promote a more peaceful, transparent, and inclusive information world for all, and to ensure that all people have access to the information they need to make informed decisions and participate fully in society.

7. I commend the member states for their commitment to these important issues, and I believe that we will expand our efforts to find solutions to the problems facing the information world today, including by actively participating in the process of the development of the “Code of Conduct for Information and Integrity on Digital Platforms”, which has been initiated by the Secretary-General in the context of the Summit of the Future in 2024.

8. I envisage that beyond the 45th Session of this Committee, the Member States will join hands and make strenuous efforts, towards developing a strong code of conduct that meets the aspirations of the international community, especially the Member States.

9. As the Chair of the Committee on Information, Pakistan is looking forward to playing a constructive role in this regard. I also encourage all of you to do the same.

I thank you.