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Madam Chair,

and will share the views of our delegation on two respective

overlooked when addressing immunities in the general context of fight against impunity. However, we reiterate that international criminal jurisdiction is, in our view, clearly outside the scope of the present topic since it always stems from a specific treaty rather than from general international law. The clause is, therefore, an appropriate language to be used in this regard. Moreover, we would prefer not having it as a stand-alone article but address this issue in draft article 1 on the scope. With regard to draft article 17, we have certain difficulties to see its added value if such a provision would not set a jurisdictional clause in case if articles were form a treaty. More precisely, we find draft Article 17 redundant vis- -vis general obligation of States to settle their dispute by peaceful means, and, at the same time, also restrictive as it enumerates only some peaceful means.

With regard to remaining draft articles, we continue being cautious concerning draft Article 7 and the list of crimes included herein as well as the annexed list of international treaties which paragraph 2 refers to as the guide for the purpose of definition of such crimes.

Madam Chair,

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awaited with great curiosity the first outcomes of the Study Group established for this topic. In this regard, I would like to thank the Study Group co-chaired by Madam topic is of great importance to many States, we note that this fact may lead to the preference of certain progressive development elements. We suggest that the Study Group grounds its work in relevant practice of States and relevant international and regional organizations.

We also wish to reiterate the view, already presented previously, that any outcome on this topic has to reaffirm the universal nature of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) and the vital need of preserving its integrity, as well as the importance of principles incorporated in this Convention, including but not limited to the balance of rights and obligations between coastal States and other States.

I thank you.