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I will present the Republic of Poland's comments concerning two chapters of the International Law Commission's Report from its seventy-second session – “Succession of States in respect of State responsibility” (Chapter VI) and “General principles of law” (Chapter VII).

On the topic “Succession of States in respect of State responsibility”, my delegation would like to thank the Special Rapporteur for his fourth report. We take note of the draft articles this report proposed. Poland agrees with some general observations made by the Special Rapporteur, such as those on the subsidiary nature of the draft articles, the priority of agreements entered into between concerned States, and the importance of preserving consistency with the Commission's previous work, particularly its articles on the responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts.

Still, we reiterate our view that draft articles seem not to be the most appropriate outcome for this topic. Poland believes that following the model applied by the Commission in its work on Provisional application of treaties – , preparing a draft conclusion with an annex containing some model clauses – would be more beneficial and practical.

Allow me now to turn to Chapter VIII, “General principles – ve wit

