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Treaties play a critical role in international relations, as an important source of international law, as well as promoting and developing peaceful cooperation amongst States. This is amply recognized in the preamble of the United Nations Charter, which states, I h

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Report on the Review of the Regulations to give effect to Article 102 of the UN Charter, which outlines cardinal developments that have taken place since 2018, including increased use of electronic submissions of treaty registration and publication. This was meant to facilitate a streamlined, efficient and timeous treaty registration process premised on the need to reduce costs, promote transparency and to expand access and universal participation in the registration of

treaties.

We commend the important role played by the Treaty Section in highlighting the importance of wider dissemination of treaties and the promotion of participation in the registration processes by Member States, as well as supporting them with technical assistance and training workshops at the national and regional levels.

The Secretary General's Report notes that there is a serious geographical imbalance, which has caused a disparity in treaty registrations globally, especially for developing countries. As the objective is to review the regulations, the thrust should be to ensure that they are reinforced and tailor made to assist developing countries. We envisage that initiatives could in

geographical imbalance in treaty registration.

The review of the regulations should also be done in a comprehensive manner to ensure legal certainty and predictability.

There is merit in Mexico's observation 18 (exi

I thank you.