

**Statement by**

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**Mr. Chairperson,**

I would like to align myself with the statements delivered on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and the Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations, respectively and reiterate the following as my delegation's long-standing position in my national capacity.

According to the widely accepted understanding regarding the principle of universal jurisdiction, the rationale underlying universal



