

INTERVENTION BY MR SCOTT TAN, DELEGATE TO THE 78TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, FOR CLUSTER 1 DEBATE, WORKING GROUP ON PROTECTION OF PERSONS IN THE EVENT OF DISASTERS, SIXTH COMMITTEE, 5 OCTOBER 2023

Mr Chair,

1 Thank you for giving me the floor. Singapore 1 are in three parts.

2 <u>First</u>, on preambular paragraph 5, Singapore is supportive of this paragraph, which recognises the principles of sovereignty and territorial integrity. We agree with the ILC that this reference to sovereignty, along with the primary role of the affected State, should provide the background against which the draft Articles are to be understood. As a

4 <u>Third</u>, on Article 18, and flowing from our previous intervention, we consider that it is important to set out clearly the relationship between any new instrument we agree and existing international instruments to avoid duplication and confusion.

5 Thank you.