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Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-third and seventy-fourth session

Cluster II:

Chapter V Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties

Chapter VI Prevention and repression of piracy and armed robbery at sea

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Sixth Committee

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Mr/Madam Chair,

I have the honour to address the Sixth Committee in relation to the work of the International Law Commission on Cluster II, namely Chapter V 'Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties' and Chapter VI 'Prevention and repression of piracy and armed robbery at sea'.

Mr/Madam Chair,

With regard to the topic 'Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties', which was included in the Commission's programme of work for the 73rd session, I would like to say that it underlines the urgent need for a comprehensive framework for the settlement of disputes involving international organizations.

We express our sincere gratitude to the esteemed Special Rapporteur, Mr August Reinisch, for his dedication and tireless efforts in steering this important initiative. The first report and the preliminary adoption of the draft guidelines show significant progress. These guidelines cover the scope and use of terms related to international organizations and disputes, providing essential definitions and concepts.

The proposed guidelines emphasise the fundamental need for organizations to have international legal personality in order to enter into treaties and assume international responsibilities, reflecting their evolving role and responsibilities on the global stage. We recognise that careful consideration has been given to the various forms of disputes involving international organizations, both at the international and national levels. We welcome the Commission's objective to guide States, international

