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"The rule of law at the national and international levels"

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Mr. Chairman,
I have the honour to speak on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.

Mr. Chairman,
The Non-Aligned Movement has been following this item with high interest and believes that respect for the rule of law at the national and international levels is essential to maintaining international peace and security and achieving socioeconomic development.

I would also like to recall the General Assembly High-Level Meeting on "the
Rule of Law at the National and International Levels" held on 24 September 2012, and
the Declaration adopted therein. Apart from the contents of the document and how
balanced it is, convening that meeting was in itself a milestone and an important step in
the General Assembly's discussions of the rule of law aiming to develop a common
understanding among Member States. We will spare no efforts to continue the course of
discussions in the Sixth3l2Tm (no) Tj-0.0347 Tc8Tj 0.0051 Tc .4 Tm (the) Tj Tc 12 0 0 271.9(95 Tc

The Non-Aligned Movement stresses that the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and the principles of international law are paramount to peace and security, rule of law, economic development and social progress and human rights for all. In this context, the Member States of the United Nations should renew their pledge to uphold, preserve and promote the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and international law, with the purpose of further advancing towards the achievement of full respect of international law.

The NAM Members remain concerned on the application of unilateral

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Regarding the Rule of Law Unit, the Movement reiterates that appropriate mechanisms should be established for Member States to stay abreast of