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On behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement On Agenda Item 84:

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

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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

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

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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

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	- The legitimate and legal rights of States under international law must be respected by all;
	- The principle of the prohibition of the threat or use of force in international relations of States and peaceful settlement of disputes should constitute the cornerstone of the rule of law at the international level. In this regard, it is
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for all, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other instruments relating to human rights, and international law.

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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 the Unit's work as well as to ensure regular interaction between the latter and the General Assembly. We