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Madam Chair,

My delegation has the honour to deliver this statement on the agenda item: "Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-second session" on behalf of the African Group. I take this opportunity to welcome Members of the Commission and Legal Advisers from capitals to this year's International Law Week in New York, following a rich tradition to actualize the symbiosis and optimal extensive engagement between the Sixth Committee, legal advisers from capitals and Members of the Commission, despite the continuing challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

At the outset, let me thank the Chair of the Commission of the 72nd session, Ambassador Mahmoud Hamoud for his stellar work and leadership in conducting the work of the Commission, as well as for introducing the report on the work of the Commission contained in document A/76/10. We congratulate the Commission on the progress made on the various items as detailed in the report. We appreciate the efforts of the Codification Division of the Office of the Legal Affairs, acting in the capacity as the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee and the Commission, for the extended briefing in September to the Sixth Committee,

Part of this commitment is nominating and electing every

We note the progress being made on the other topics, with the Commission having provisionally adopted several draft articles on

and note that only one African member is currently serving as a special rapporteur, and another as co-chair of a study group. We call