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**ON AGENDA ITEM 81**

***REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARTER OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS AND ON THE ROLE OF THE ORGANISATION AT  
THE PLENARY OF THE SIXTH COMMITTEE***

**DURING THE 69<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HELD**

**ON TUESDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2014**

**Mr. Chairman**

As I take the floor for the first time during this session, I wish to congratulate you Mr. Chairman and other members of the bureau on your election and commend you for the able manner in which you have conducted the affairs of the Committee so far. I assure you of my delegations' cooperation and support in your work in this committee.

**Mr. Chairman**

My delegation aligns itself with the statements read by the distinguished Permanent Representative of South Africa on behalf of the Africa group, and the distinguished Representative of Iran on behalf of the Non Aligned Movement. Ghana welcomes the report of the Charter Committee, and let me emphasize the great value my delegation attaches to the work of the committee. Ghana continues to participate actively in the work of the Committee over the years and is open to continue deliberations on all proposals on the Committee's agenda.

**Mr. Chairman**

My delegation welcomes the interest shown by some delegations for Ghana's proposal which is reflected in the report of the Special Charter Committee under the sub topic 'Identification of New Subjects'. A lot of discussion has been undertaken within the United Nations on the need to strengthen the partnership, cooperation and coordination between the United Nations and all Regional /Sub –

Regional Organisations in the maintenance of international peace and security. Even though Chapter VIII of the UN Charter explicitly prescribes a role for regional organisations, the guidelines and practices underpinning this partnership has not always been consistent with the provisions of the Charter.

**Mr. Chairman,**

Ghana's proposal is therefore intended to add value to existing arrangements by building on what has been achieved so far. My delegation is of the view that it is important to work towards arriving at clearer principles and practical measures leading to the promotion of better coordination and cooperation in the relationship between the United Nations and regional organisations for more effective and peaceful settlement of disputes. These measures could include ideas such as regional global security, the role that regional organisations could play in preventive diplomacy, early warning systems, peacekeeping and post conflict peace building among others.

**Mr. Chairman,**

Delegations would recall that at the meetings of the Charter Committee earlier this year, my delegation revised the title of the proposal to "Strengthening cooperation between the United Nations and Regional Organisations/Arrangements in the peaceful settlement of disputes". A working paper has been prepared and my delegation would approach other delegations in

streamlining and soliciting inputs with a favourable prospect that would result in a concrete and practical outcome.

I thank you.