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Statement by Mr. Pham Quang Hieu
Deputy Permanent Representative of Vietnam to the United Nations at the 6th Committee of the UNGA 69 Session on Agenda Item 82 "The rule of law at international and national levels"
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Mr. Chairman,

Viet Nam aligns itself with the statements delivered by the Permanent Representative of Iran for the Non- Aligned Movement and Permanent Representative of Laos on behalf of ASEAN.

Mr. Chairman,

Viet Nam commends the efforts of the United Nations, the Secretary-General, the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group, chaired by the Deputy Secretary-General and supported by the Rule of Law Unit, to tirelessly contribute to the promotion and implementation of the rule of law at both national and international levels. Aligned with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, full implementation of the rule of law at national and international levels is fundamental to efforts towards a durable peace, peaceful settlement of disputes, effective protection of human rights and sustainable development, including the post-2015 Development Agenda. In this regard, Viet Nam would like to emphasize that efforts of the international community in implementing the rule of law must be based on

principles of sovereign equality of States, peaceful settlement of disputes and respect for territorial integrity.

Mr. Chairman,

As a member state to ASEAN which will become a rules-based Community in 2015, Viet Nam has actively contributed to and remain committed to further intensifying our efforts to realize a politically cohesive, economically intergrated and socially responsible ASEAN Community. This, we believe, will help build a Southeast Asian region of peace, stability and prosperity founded upon international law and aim to develop common rules and norms for the region. In this regard, we would like to emphasize the importance of full implementation of the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea (DOC) and works to secure an early adoption of the Code of Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea.

Mr. Chairman,

On this occasion, Viet Nam wishes to highlight its commitments to uphold the promotion and implementation of the rule of law at the national and international levels in accordance with the fundamental principles of the Charter of the United Nations. We also believes that during this session of the Sixth Committee we should focus on discussing the ways to realize on the subtopic "Sharing States' national practices in strengthening the rule of law through access to justice. For its part, Viet Nam has revised its Constitution aiming to further facilitating the building of a law-governed State of, by and for the people, thus contributing to the cause of national construction and international integration process.

Viet Nam will work and cooperate closely with member states and relevant actors in international community in promoting the rule of law at international and national levels.

I thank you Mr. Chairman.