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Thank you, Mr/Madam Chair.

Mr./Madam Chair,

Romania fully aligns with the statement delivered by the European Union. We would now like to add a few remarks in our national capacity.

We express our appreciation and congratulate the initiators for their preoccupation to establish a context favorable for the optimization of the international treaty framework. For Romania, the concern of the U.N. Secretary-General and of the Member States to improve and simplify the treaty regulations is of great interest, the more so as we have always been open to making the international treaty framework more transparent and accessible.

We took note of the Secretary-General recommendations on the registration and publication of the treaties and international agreements made pursuant to Article 102 of the Charter and we do agree that the regulations should be both useful and relevant to the Member States, just as the General Assembly also stressed in Resolution 72/119, paragraph 10.

Taking into account that the regulations have not been updated since 1978 and being aware of the development in technology, we support the initiative of an electronic platform (e-platform) for the international treaty framework. We would like to lay even a greater stress on the necessity of such an e-platform when dealing with the registration and publicity procedures of treaties.

The simplification of the procedural criteria for registration definitely remains a valuable proposal. The electronic platform for the international treaty framework would represent the polyvalent solution in the Secretary General's step of creating a balance between his depositary functions and the promotion as well as the publicity of treaties on the one hand, and the need of the Member States to have an easy access to services and information available on international treaties, on the other hand.

We express our confidence that the debates of the Sixth Committee will consider the recommendations and will build up the premises for a new, updated and – most importantly, in our opinion – a user friendly e-platform for the international treaty framework.

Thank you, Mr./Madam Chair.