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“United Nations Programme of Assistance
in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and
Wider Appreciation of International Law”

“برنامج الأمم المتحدة للمساعدة في
تدريس القانون الدولي ودراسته ونشره
وزيادة تفهمه”

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Madam Chair,

Egypt aligns itself with the statement delivered Morocco on behalf of the African Group. We note with appreciation the Secretary General's report on this agenda item included in document A/76/404.

Egypt also wishes to express its appreciation to the Codification Division for its tireless work in support of the Programme of Assistance, and commends the Advisory Committee of the Programme of Assistance under the able leadership of his Excellency the Permanent Representative of Ghana, for its guidance to the Programme's important work.

Madam Chair,

Egypt's support of the essential role of the Programme of Assistance is not new. Thus, I would concentrate my remarks here on a few brief points:

1- All activities of the Programme of Assistance have proven to be very useful in the dissemination of and ensuring the wider appreciation of international law. Developing countries continue to build their national capacities in international law through the



activities of the programme. This serves directly our common aim towards enhancing rule of law at the international level.

- 2– We commend the Codification Division for its innovative solutions to continue the work of the Programme during the Covid–19 pandemic time where in–person workshops and education is difficult. The pilot remote workshops organized during the reporting period covering several international law topics have been very useful, and we thank all entities that have contributed in this regard, particularly The Hague Academy of International Law. With the stabilizing trend in the course of the pandemic, we are looking forward to the resumption of in–person trainings soon, which bear much more benefits for the participants over virtual ones.
- 3– We also believe that the work of the Programme of Assistance can benefit from more diversity in the selection of lecturers, with the view of ensuring more geographical representation, especially from Africa and the MENA region. More participation of women as lecturers is also needed.
- 4– Focusing parts of the training activities of the Programme of Assistance on new and emerging issues of international law could also be very useful.

I Thank you Madam Chair.