Thank you Chair

1. My delegation aligns itself with the statement delivered on behalf of the African Group by the distinguished Representative of Uganda, and makes the following additional remarks in national capacity.

2. Chair, at the core of our participation in this discussion is Kenya’s belief that we have a collective duty to prevent crimes against humanity and the centrality of accountability in justice and the end aims of peace and prosperity.

3. We commend the International Law Commission for its effort in developing the draft articles under consideration by this Committee. We remain cognisant of the Commission’s recommendation on the potential final outcome.

4. The articles provide a good basis for discussions in considering the strengthening of international framework for the prevention and accountability
of especially the most serious crimes. We must however allow for sufficient
time for comprehensive analyses of the proposals by all Members.

5. Chair, we hope that this exercise will also crucially encompass the related
objectives of a framework for States to develop and strengthen their own
national capacities for tackling crimes against humanity and provide the
necessary structure for international cooperation starting from within respective
regions.

6. My delegation, therefore, avails itself to continue examining the proposals of
the International Law Commission and following ongoing discussions in
seeking to build consensus incrementally on the important elements that are
required to seal the normative gaps within the overall international framework
on accountability.

7. In this regard, we look forward to the continued discussions on the draft articles
in the resumed session of the Sixth Committee in the April.

Thank you.