Mr Chair,

1 Thank you for giving me the floor.

2 On Article 9, Singapore agrees that States should reduce the risk of disasters by taking appropriate measures, including through legislation and regulations, to prevent, mitigate, and prepare for disasters. We consider that affected States, having first-hand knowledge of the regions and communities susceptible to specific types of disasters, are best placed to determine the necessary measures to mitigate such risks.

3 Thank you.

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