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Mr. Chair,

I have the honor to introduce the draft resolution, entitled “Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fifty-sixth session”, as contained in document A/C.6/78/L.7, on behalf of all the co-sponsors listed in L.7.

I’d like to announce that the following Member States also join in sponsoring the draft resolution: Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, Peru, Philippines, Russian Federation, Serbia, United Kingdom, United States of America and Zambia.

The draft resolution is based on resolution 77/99 adopted last year, and incorporates the developments and recommendations set forth in the latest report of UNCITRAL. I will now address the following major changes:

• OP2a commends UNCITRAL’s progress made in the context of investor-state dispute settlement reform
• OP2b commends work finalized in the area of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises on access to credit
• OP2c commends the adoption of a guidance text on early dismissal and preliminary determination in the area of dispute settlement
• OP3 acknowledges the holding of a colloquium on climate change and international trade law on 12 and 13 July 2023
• OP6 reflects the advance stage of the draft model law on warehouse receipts
• OP7 welcomes the publication of a toolkit on the coronavirus disease and international trade law instruments
• OP8 welcomes further exploratory work regarding aspects of international trade law related to voluntary carbon credits

Mr. Chair,

In my view, the text of the draft resolution represents a consensus among delegations. Therefore, I recommend that the Sixth Committee adopt the draft resolution without a vote.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.