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It is a pleasure for Chile to be associated with this initiative to commemorate at the United Nations the International Day of Democracy.

The history of my country reflects a deeply-rooted commitment to living in a democratic system, including our struggle to recover our tradition of democracy and respect for human rights with the goal to attain wellbeing, social justice and inclusiveness for its people as contained in the government program of President Bachelet.

I would like to focus on the appropriate theme selected for this commemoration: "Space for Civil Society". The Government of Chile has set itself the goal of building a country in which civic space is protected, the right of community organizations to access resources is strengthened, citizen participation in public sector management is promoted and a better quality of democracy is created.

In accordance with international recommendations and