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Mr. Chairman,

apply.” According to the commentary, the draft articles would apply also to disasters connected with armed conflicts to the extent that the rules of international humanitarian law do not address this particular disaster situation. This difference between the draft articles and the commentary does not permit a clear understanding of what the Commission envisaged. In our view, the draft articles should apply also to situations of armed conflict, but only insofar as they are not contradicting the particular rules of international humanitarian law.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.