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STATEMENT

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ON

UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE IN THE TEACHING, STUDY, DISSEMINATION AND WIDER APPRECIATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

AT THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL CHAMBER, UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS, NEW YORK

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Mr. Chairman,

Nigeria wishes to express deep appreciation to the Secretary-General
for his report that is before us for consideration today. We commend members of the Committee for their pain-staking actions in addressing issues relating to this agenda item.

2. My delegation notes that the report provides information concerning the implementation of the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law. Specifically, it provides the cost-saving measures undertaken with regard to International Law Fellowship to maintain the number of fellowships available for a comprehensive international law training programme. It also contains information on The Hague Academy of International Law, reputed for its laudable contributions in capacity training, strengthening the programme of Assistance and thereby enabling candidates under the International Law Fellowship Programme participate in the programme in conjunction with the Academy courses.

Mr. Chairman,

3. Since its establishment in 1965, the programme has been making great strides and creating positive impacts on students and practitioners of international Law throughout the World. Nigeria recognizes this Programme
as one of many tools that assist in providing deeper understanding of the complex issues existing in our interconnected world. We commend the
Office of Legal Affairs and the Codification Division in particular for its relentless efforts in the implementation of the programme.

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4. My delegation enjoin Member States to support the idea of exploring the possibilities of appropriate increase in the financial support of the activities associated with the programme through regular budget to ensure the strengthening of international law programme and training courses around the world.

5. I thank you for your attention.

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