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In our view, certain aspects of the Draft Articles on Diplomatic Protection also go beyond existing customary international law relating to diplomatic protection, and there is unlikely to be international consensus on whether those aspects should be made the subject of a convention.

Mr Chair,

as valuable in clarifying and developing customary international law on diplomatic protection. We view the Draft Articles as serving a useful purpose in informing and assisting to settle State practice in this important area over time.