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5 Third, even with the diversion of time and resources to tackling the pandemic, capacity-building activities in support of the rule of law are still being undertaken. In this regard, we y greqo g vj g Upkqf Ncvkpuøeqpvkpwgf uw r qtvqh Mgo dgt Svøtgs wguu hqt ecr cek{-building, technical assistance and strategic reforms to institutions. Singapore has also maintained our assistance to fellow developing countries through, for example, the Singapore Cooperation Programme, which has continued delivering courses relating to law and governance on a virtual platform.

Mdm Chair,

6 Next year marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the adoption and opening for signature of one of the great contributions of the United Nations to the rule of law in the governance of the global commons, the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. This will be an opportunity to reflect on what the United Nations and multilateralism can achieve in promoting the rule of law in other areas of the global commons, such as the digital commons.

7 Thank you very much for your attention.

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