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We are now compelled to view treaty registration not just as a Charter obligation, but also as a sort of tool in light of its utility and practical value. In our opinion, such questions as whether it really serves its purposes or how we can optimize it so that the burdens do not unduly outweigh the benefits are legitimate.

My delegation notes with appreciation that the Secretariat has made the texts of registered treaties promptly available online through the electronic database. This has substantially enhanced accessibility, and we see added-value in reflecting this good practice in the relevant Regulations.

Concerning the formal publication in the *UN Treaty Series*, however, we have concerns about the significant backlog due to the limited resources of Member States and the Secretariat to provide translations in English and French in a timely manner.

My delegation finds that Spain's proposals deserve more consideration as a way to expedite publication; namely for States to submit a courtesy translation into any of the six official languages on a voluntary basis.

Another pragmatic approach lies in the broadening of the limited publication policy, as suggested by France.

