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Statement of Ireland

on Agenda item 87

“United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study,
Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law”

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Statement by Aoife Ní Chearbhaill, legal adviser

Thank you, Mr Chair.

1. Ireland aligns itself with the statement delivered on behalf of the European Union, and makes these additional comments in national capacity.
2. My delegation is grateful to the Secretary General for his informative report on the implementation of the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law during the reporting period.
3. Ireland thanks the Advisory Committee in assisting the Secretary General in the exercise of the functions entrusted to him by the General Assembly in relation to the Programme.
4. We note that this is the first year that the funding of the Programme has been moved under the UN's regular budget. However, it is clear from the Secretary

General's report that voluntary contributions are still needed. Ireland therefore strongly encourages all Member States to consider providing financial support to the Programme.

Mr Chair,

5. A commitment to the rule of international law is enshrined in the Irish Constitution and is one of the core principles of Irish foreign policy. Furthermore, Ireland believes that better knowledge of international law can assist in achieving the principles and purposes of the United Nations, most notably the maintenance of international peace and security and the development of friendly relations among nations.

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