

Thank you Mr. Chair, dear colleagues,

I have the honour to introduce, the draft resolution under agenda item 82, entitled "Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives", as contained in document A/C.6/77/L.6, on behalf of the sponsors of the document.

I'd like to announce that the following Member States also have joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Estonia, Ireland, Lesotho and Luxembourg.

The draft resolution is largely based on resolution 75/139 adopted in 2020, with necessary technical updates to extend the reporting mandates for the next biennial and to include the present item on the agenda of the General Assembly in its seventy-ninth session.

After the informal consultation on the draft resolution held on 20 October, I conclude that the text as proposed reflects a consensus among delegations. For this reason, and on behalf of the co-sponsors, I recommend that the Sixth Committee adopt the draft resolution without a vote.

Please allow me also to take this opportunity to thank all delegations for their kind cooperation as well as the colleagues at the secretariat for all their assistance and support.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.