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Statement by Ramesh Kumar Chormakar, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Nepal to the United Nations, at the 77<sup>th</sup>

accessibility to, efficiency of, and participation in the judicial system. However, the bottleneck of digital divide hinders its wider application.

Mr. Chair,

The UN Charter, universal declaration of human rights, international humanitarian laws and other international legal instruments are building blocks of the global architecture of law.

Nepal commends the continued assistance of the UN, through the Global Task Force on Corruption and the Global Focal Point for the Rule of Law, in advancing governance and rule of law in various parts of the world.

The contribution of the ICJ for pacific settlement of international disputes and that of UNCITRAL and the ILC for progressive development and codification of international law are crucial for the promotion of rule of law across the world.

Mr. Chair,

The constitution of Nepal fully enshrines the norms of rule of law, fundamental freedoms, human rights, democratic governance, independent judiciary, equality and non-discrimination, and judicial remedy are cornerstones of our constitution.

Nepal is fully committed to the domestic implementation of its international treaty obligations.

National Human Rights Commission of Nepal and Commission on Investigation of the Abuse of Authorities, among others are two independent constitutional bodies dedicated to protection and promotion of human rights, and elimination of corruption respectively.

Nepal remained cautious not to let covid emergency scraps the rule of law. Government took measures to comply with human rights obligations and access to justice in COVID responses. We have implemented action plans to ensure fundamental rights, justice and rule of law prioritizing needs of women, girls, and vulnerable groups during the pandemic.

Enhanced UN support to member States for implementing international obligations and strengthening the rule of law and human rights institutions remains critical.

There is also a need to ensure rule of law at global level through an inclusive and equitable participation of all member states in global governance institutions.

In conclusion, Mr. Chair, we, the member States, with the UN at the center, must gear up our collaboration and coordination to combat the new and emerging threats such as cybercrime, climate change and pandemics like COVID-19 by upholding the rule of law at both national and international level.

By building back better with more resilient and sustainable recovery while leaving no one behind.

I thank you all