



We take note of the proposal to expand the scope of dispute to cover disputes between international organizations, as well as disputes in which they are parties

We note that ILC has invited State to provide comments and observation and State practices concerning piracy. Together with other States, Viet Nam have responded to this invitation. Grosso modo, current definition of piracy in Vietnamese law consists of both piracy and armed robbery at sea as provided in draft article 2 and 3.

In our view, in spite of some divergence in the definitions of piracy in international treaties and domestic laws, as it is often the case with norms derived from customary law, the following can be agreed: *first*, measures preventing and repressing piracy should be comprehensive, in line with the realization of the SDGs, particularly SDG 14, *second*, obligation of cooperation in addressing piracy should be highlighted, *third*, depoliticization of piracy, *fourth*, priority for prosecution can be given to the flag State of the ship victim, but also the State of the offender's nationality and *fifth*, compliance with the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, the framework within which all activities at sea must be carried out, especially respect of the maritime zones established in accordance with UNCLOS.