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Mr. Chairperson

We would like to start our statement today by giving a short update on the situation in Israel. Regrettably, there is a lot of disinformation and exaggeration around the war between Israel and Hamas, in this room as well as around the UN in general. For this reason, we think it would be beneficial for the legal advisors in this room to receive first hand verified information about the latest developments.

Today is the 26th day that our 240 hostages have been held by Hamas, including 33 children – the youngest of which being 9 months old. We first and foremost call for their immediate release. 1400 Israelis have been

In this regard, Israel is closely monitoring the humanitarian situation in Gaza, and makes ever

Mr. Chair,

Regarding the topic "Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law," Israel wishes to express its gratitude to the International Law Commission and the Special Rapporteur, Mr. Charles C. Jalloh, for their efforts thus far. Similar to other topics related to the sources of international law, Israel places great importance on and seeks to contribute to the Commission's work on this subject.

Mr. Chairperson,

As the Commission discusses the topic "Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law" for the first time, Israel would like to make several preliminary comments. As the Commission's work on this topic progresses, Israel will continue to monitor the proceedings and provide necessary feedback.

Firstly, Israel acknowledges the crucial distinction between sources of law and subsidiary means for determining rules of international law. The Commission itself recognized in draft conclusion 2 that judicial decisions and teachings aid in determining these rules but are not sources of law in themselves. It may be essential to emphasize in the Commentaries to draft conclusion 3 that the significance of national or municipal

judicial decisions in

I thank you Mr. Chairperson.