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STATEMENT

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Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fifth session

Cluster II:

Chapter IV Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties

Chapter V Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law

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Mr Chairman,

I have the honour to address the Sixth Committee in relation to the work of the International Law Commission on Cluster II, namely Chapter IV: Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties, and Chapter V: Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law.

With regard to the topic "Settlement of disputes to which international organizations are parties", which was first discussed by the ILC in 2023, when two draft guidelines were provisionally adopted, Slovenia aligns itself with the EU statement and would like to add the following in its national capacity:

Mr Chairman,

Slovenia would like to thank the Special Rapporteur, Mr August Reinisch, for the second report, which provided a comprehensive analysis of the practice of settling

We appreciate that the wording of draft guidelines 4 and 5 (and commentaries thereto) has been revised to make clear that there is no hierarchy between different means of dispute settlement. The objective should be to guide States, international organizations and users towards effective dispute management, emphasising appropriate methods of resolution to promote peaceful outcomes.

Despite the content of the commentary on draft guideline 6, for the sake of clarity, Slovenia would prefer a draft guideline that sets out requirements for all means of dispute resolution and includes a specific provision for arbitration and judicial settlement.

We look forward to and welcome further developments on this topic.

Mr Chairman,

Regarding the second topic, "Subsidiary means for the determination of rules of international law", Slovenia aligns itself with the EU statement and would like to add the following in its national capacity:

In particular, we would like to thank the Special Rapporteur, Mr Charles Chernor Jalloh, for his excellent and detailed work on this topic.

Mr Chairman,

Slovenia agrees with the negative formulation on the nature of subsidiary means adopted by the drafting committee in draft conclusion 6. The fact that subsidiary means are not a source of international law is supported by international and national judicial practice and academic works.

We also support the broad interpretation