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STATEMENT

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**THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

AGENDA ITEM 80

**UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME OF ASSISTANCE IN THE
TEACHING, STUDY, DISSEMINATION AND WIDER APPRECIATION
OF INTERNATIONAL LAW**

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Mr. Chairman,

My delegation aligns itself with the Statement delivered by the Representative of Egypt on behalf of the African Group. We appreciate the report of the Secretary General which provides useful insight to this deliberation. At this juncture, Kenya wishes to express its profound gratitude to the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law for the tireless effort it puts into and the platform it provides us to take in-depth look at this very important agenda item.

Mr. Chairman,

In the ever changing environment of International Law there is a need to continually build capacity of practitioners, all practitioners but more particularly so, of those from the developing countries. The upsurge in demand for training in and for research materials in International Law is ample proof of this fact.

While Kenya appreciates the efforts of the Member States who have made voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund and encourages those who are able to do so to join in this noble effort. It is now evidently clear that voluntary contributions have not proven to be an adequate and sustainable method for funding Programme activities.

Mr. Chairman,

Kenya notes with concern that a number of planned programs have been cancelled or delayed for a lack of resources. It is evident that a more reliable, pre-determined mode of funding is now not only a pressing need but an urgent need. As a consequence we strongly urge that adequate resources be provided under the programme budget of the United Nation so as to sustain the activities of the Programme of Assistance.

In conclusion, Kenya reiterates the request in accordance with Resolution 67/91 in particular operative paragraph 7 thereof to provide through the Programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 the resources necessary for the Programme of Assistance to ensure the continued effectiveness and further development of the Programme, in particular the organization of the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law on a regular basis and the viability of the United Nations Audiovisual Library of the International law.

I thank you