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**FINAL STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
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MR. KIRILL GEVORGIAN**

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Mr. Chairman, Distinguished Delegates,

The Sixth Committee has concluded its consideration of the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-sixth session. It was an honour and a pleasure for me to represent the Commission on this occasion.

On behalf of the Commission, I would like to sincerely thank all the delegations who made statements on the different chapters of the report. Let me stress that the International Law Commission relies on the Sixth Committee to benefit from the views and comments of Governments on the general orientations of its work and on the numerous specific topics on its agenda. The views expressed orally and in writing by States are extremely precious for the Commission. In particular, I would like to reiterate the request made to Governments by the Commission to submit to the Secretary-General their comments and observations on the draft articles on the protection of persons in the event of disasters adopted on first reading by 1 January 2016. These comments will provide an invaluable assistance to the Commission for the second reading of these draft articles. In addition, I strongly encourage Governments to provide the Commission with the information on the questions listed in Chapter III of its report on the work of its sixty-sixth session.

Since the International Law Commission is a collegial organ, it is not for me to react or answer to the various observations, suggestions or criticisms expressed by delegations. The Secretariat will prepare a topical summary of the debate

that will be submitted to the attention of the Commission. I can assure you that the Commission will take seriously into account each one of these observations, suggestions and criticisms.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express once again the deepest appreciation and gratitude of the International Law Commission to the Sixth Committee, as well as my personal thanks for the warm welcome I have received and for your active participation to this fruitful debate.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.