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On

United Nations programme of Assistance in the teaching and study, dissemination and wider appreciation of International Law

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## Mr, Chairperson

Ethiopia aligns itself with the statement delivered by the distinguish representative of the Gambia on behalf of African Group and the distinguish representative of Egypt on behalf of G77 and China.

I would like also to express my gratitude to the Secretary General for his informative and comprehensive report on the UN Program of Assistance in the teaching, study, dissemination and wider appreciation of international law.

I would also like to commend the continuous training provided by the United Nations the program of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law that includes the regional courses on international law, the audiovisual library and the fellowship programmes provided under the auspice of the UN Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs. We note with appreciation the positive contribution of the program to disseminate the knowledge of international law in the world.

We acknowledge the crucial role that the program plays a in ensuring rule of law at the national and international levels. We strongly convinced that wider dissemination of international law had never been more accentuated than it is today and the programme has the potential to build capacity to foster multilateralism and enhance its place at the national level.

Since 2011, Addis Ababa – Africa's political capital had the privilege of hosting the regular regional courses. The course provide ample opportunity to participants come from a wide spectrum of professions, including diplomats, prosecutors, teachers, staff of independent human rights organizations, transnational organizations such as the African Union and several others.

## Mr. chairperson

My delegation would like to take this opportunity once more to thank all the relevant stakeholders that have contributed to make the Regional Course for Africa successful and reiterate Ethiopia's continued support to the program and unwavering commitment to host the program.

As a final remark, I would like to call upon all members states of the United Nations to extend their overall support for the continuity of the regional program.

Thank you