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DELEGATE TO THE 79TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS
GENERAL ASSEMBLY, FOR CLUSTER 3 DEBATE, WORKING GROUP
ON THE PROTECTION OF PERSONS IN THE EVENT OF DISASTERS,
SIXTH COMMITTEE,
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Mr Chair,

1 Thank you for giving me the floor.

2 Singapore recognises the importance of cooperation between States and with assisting actors in facilitating effective relief efforts in response to disasters. The duty to cooperate, as well as the duty to offer assistance to affected States, are therefore key in the protection of persons in event of disasters. Such cooperation and assistance should take into account the relevant national contexts, capacities and capabilities. In this regard, we note that the current draft Articles are scoped in a manner that provide flexibility for States to determine the need to offer or accept external assistance during disasters, and also for States to determine the conditions of such assistance. We also note that the draft Articles in Cluster 3 and Cluster 4 are complementary in the protection of persons in the event of disaster.

3 Thank you.

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