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in the Working Group
“Protection of persons in the event of disasters”**

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Thank you, Madam. Chair,

Jordan has the following comments of the cluster 4:

As for **Draft Article 10**, we support provisions contained in the draft article, which emphasize the duty of the affected state to ensure the protection of individuals in the provision of disaster relief assistance. Nonetheless, we stress that due consideration should be given to the capacity of the affected state when assessing this duty.

Furthermore, we interpret the phrase "under its jurisdiction and control" as encompassing territories that extend beyond the sovereign territories of the state, to include the territories occupied by that state.

Article 11:

Jordan affirms its support for the language of **Draft Article 11**. We strongly believe that, in accordance with the principle of sovereignty, the affected state holds the responsibility to request assistance from external actors when its capacity is insufficient to meet its humanitarian needs. It is crucial to emphasize that the affected state retains full discretion in determining the scope, level, and form of the assistance sought, as well as in selecting the actors from whom such assistance is requested.

Article 13:

Jordan also expresses its support for the provisions articulated in Article 13. We interpret paragraph 2, which states that "consent should not be withheld arbitrarily," to be based on an objective standard. In other words, the evaluation of state's consent should be based on an objective assessment rather than arbitrary criteria.

I thank you