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Statement

By

H. E. Ambassador Nemes Kibret

**Mr. Chairman,**

At the outset, let me thank Mr. Warren Sach, Assistant-Secretary-General for the Office of Central Support Services, for presenting to us documents A/67/216 and A/67/217, containing the reports on property

of the United Nations in Mozambique and Addis Ababa

which was celebrated in a topping-out ceremony on 9 February 2012.

**Mr. Chairman,**

No doubt, members of the Committee are cognizant of the commitment of Ethiopia to the UNECA which at the onset was demonstrated through the provision of the Africa Hall in 1958.

As indicated in paragraph 1.10 of the Secretary-General's report

illustrated in paragraph 43 and 44 of the Secretary General's report, in order to make it a modern conference facility, incorporating exhibition and museum spaces, upgrading all furniture and conference support installations, preserving and restoring historical and cultural values imbedded in the architecture, enhancing safety of the facility and

incorporating accessibility for persons with disabilities. We, indeed, appreciate the efforts exerted towards this goal and assure you of Ethiopia's full support.

**Mr. Chairman,**

Regarding the United Nations Office in Nairobi, as reflected in both