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Ch VI - Immunity of State Officials from Foreign Jurisdiction

Mr. Chair

- 1. As this is the first occasion on which Ireland has addressed in detail the topic of Immunity of State Officials from Foreign Criminal Jurisdiction, we wish to record our thanks and appreciation for the scholarly work carried out by Mr. Roman Kolodkin, as the former Special Rapporteur, as well as for the extremely comprehensive and helpful Memorandum prepared by the Secretariat. There is no doubt but that this body of work will continue to assist our efforts on this complex and sensitive topic.
- 2. We must, of course, also express our deep thanks to Special Rapporteur Concepción Escobar Hernández and commend her for her excellent report, which we believe will provide a firm basis from which to transition to the next phase of our work. As stated by my delegation last year, Ireland wishes for this topic to be given continued priority by the

Thank you, Mr Chair.

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