



Mr. Chairman,

First of all, the Kingdom of Thailand would like to thank the Secretary-General for his report contained in document A/70/208, presenting information received from Member States, as well as information on cooperation among States and with the United Nations and information on activities within the Secretariat, which provides a good basis for States to build upon in their deliberations of this agenda item, with the view to achieving our common goal of ending impunity.

Mr. Chairman,

Criminal accountability is one of the core elements to prove the existence of the rule of law. Regardless of roles and status, one must take responsibility over their own actions. Impunity undoubtedly undermines integrity, credibility and effectiveness of the UN and its peacekeeping operations.

In this connection, the Kingdom of Thailand actively participated in the Summit on Peacekeeping convened by the United States

As a troop-contributing country, Thailand is of the view that the comprehension of peacekeepers of their mandates and status is crucial. Thailand, therefore, reiterates the importance of pre-deployment training and in-mission induction, concerning, in particular, the obligation to respect the UN standards of conduct and the obligation for all UN personnel to observe the laws of the host states

Mr. Chairman,

Before ending my remarks, Thailand would like to take this opportunity to recognize the strong determination, dedication and sacrifice of the UN officials and experts on missions. These personnel work effectively to drive the principles and purposes of the UN Charter into practice. Their hard work and vigorous efforts have been paid off and proved imminent in maintaining global peace and security.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman