



STATEMENT

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(CARICOM)**

on

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Mr. Chairman,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the fourteen (14) Member States of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM).

CARICOM also aligns itself with the statements delivered by the Dominican Republic on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC).

We also wish to express our gratitude to the Secretary General for his report contained in document A/71/167 on criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission.

Mr. Chairman,

Guided by the core objective of maintaining peace and security, CARICOM recognises the significant contributions and sacrifices of United Nations (UN) experts and officials on mission to, among other things, manage complex crises that pose a threat of peace and security, prevent and manage violent conflict between and within States, and to facilitate the political process

sensitization to UN personnel on the need to respect the national laws of the host State and UN standards of conduct. Further, all UN officials and experts on mission should be made aware of possible consequences should such laws and standards not be obeyed. In this vein, we wish to commend the UN for its efforts in this area.

Mr. Chairman,

CARICOM also commends the Secretary General for promoting a zero tolerance policy on sexual exploitation and abuse by UN personnel.

In closing, we reiterate the importance of abiding by the principles of international law, due process and applicable UN rules and regulations, when dealing with any allegation of misconduct or criminal offense committed by UN personnel on mission.

I thank you.