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Mr. Chairman,

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

CARICOM aligns itself with the statements made by the Dominican Republic on behalf of the Community of Latin America and Caribbean States (CELAC) and the Islamic Republic of Iran on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

At the outset, I wish to congratulate you on your election to the chairmanship of the Sixth Committee (Legal Committee) and extend best wishes to you and the other distinguished members of the Bureau.

We also wish to reiterate our full support and cooperation as the Sixth Committee deliberates on its agenda items during this 71