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Mr. Chairman,

My delegation associates itself with the speech delivered by the Dominican Republic on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States. I take this opportunity to build on some ideas

Diplomatic and consular immunities lie at the core of international law, since they protect the channels through which States can dialogue, cooperate and peacefully settle disputes. As recognized in the preamble of both 1961 and 1963 Vienna Conventions, the respect for rules and principles governing diplomatic and consular relations is essential for developing and strengthening friendly relations among States.

In thanking the Secretary-General for

From 1980 to 2014, our discussions under this agenda item did not cover this equally relevant aspect of the protection of diplomatic and consular mission and representatives. Brazil was therefore pleased that Resolution 69/121 contributed to start filling this gap in our deliberations in this Committee.

Mr. Chairman,

My delegation remains convinced that the resolution to be adopted under this agenda item needs to adequately address the challenges faced in promoting all dimensions of the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions. Brazil stands ready to engage constructively in this regard.

Thank you.