Mr. Chairman,

At the outset, my delegation wishes to align itself with the statement delivered by the distinguished representatives of the South Africa on behalf of the Africa Group and the

Mr. Chairman,

My Delegation applauds also takes this opportunity to applaud the role of
the Office of Legal Affairs, the Treaty Section and in particular the Treaty Events held over the past years which enables member states to sign, ratify, and accede to treaties. In this regard, we are pleased to announce that Ghana was able to participate in the Treaty Event and the Special Event organized by the Secretary General to afford Member states the opportunity to deposit their Instruments of Ratification of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. During the Treaty Event, Ghana deposited its Instruments of Ratification and Accession to the Optional Protocol on the Convention against Torture, the Agreement; on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Seabed Authority and Part XI of
the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

Mr. Chairman,

On the issue of sharing national practices of states in the implementation
of multilateral treaties, I wish to state that in Ghana, the process of ratification
and implementation of multilateral treaties AgnTm 292v3437 2Tj 64 Tm (s1) Tj -0.035ensh

Mr. Chairman,

Access to legal representation and legal aid are also provided for under the constitution of Ghana and reinforced in the Legal

programmes undertaken within the ambit of the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study,

institutions of government established under the constitution abide by the tenets and principles set forth in the constitution. The separation of powers and the independence of those institutions are all relevant to the rule of law, good governance and accountability. Ghana has embedded these principles in its national culture over the years, and is making progress in deepening them. This is because we believe the rule of law underpins the fundamental rights of our people and the overall development of our country. It is in this vein that Ghana embraces every occasion that presents an opportunity to further develop our capacity in the Rule of Law and would continue to engage and utilize such opportunities to the benefit of our country.

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I thank you.

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