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Mr. Chairman,

In the present statement the Czech Republic will focus on Chapters VIII, IX and X of this year's report of the Commission.

In view of the relationship between the present topic and previous work of the Commission on State succession and State responsibility, we agree with the need for using substantively identical definitions. It is vital for proper understanding of the provisions of different instruments and of their interaction. It is also a precondition for preserving the harmony between the outcome of Commission's work on the present topic and its previous work on related topics of State succession and State responsibility. In this respect we note with

definitions of the 1978 and 1983 Vienna conventions on succession of States.

We are aware of the fact that the original proposal of the Special Rapporteur contained also the draft definition of the term "international responsibility". Unlike the two Vienna conventions, the Commission's Articles on the responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts do not contain an article on use of terms, and accordingly, do not provide technical definition of the term "international responsibility" or "State responsibility". Even Article 28 of the 2001 Articles on responsibility of States, which specifies that "The international responsibility of a State which is entailed by an internationally wrongful act ... involves legal consequences ...", does not contain all elements needed for a meaningful definition. We therefore consider that the decision to omit the definition of the term "international responsibility" in draft article 2 is a right one. The Commission can simply work on the basis of an understanding that, as far as responsibility of States for internationally wrongful acts is concerned, it deals with the subject matter covered by its 2001 Articles.

restitution) towards the injured State. Similar range of questions arises in situations when the