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Mr. Chairman,

The State of Israel acknowledges the importance of numerous issues of general

*international law (ius cogens)* as a widely-accepted doctrine of international law, and

welcomes the second report of the Special Rapporteur, Mr. Dina Tdali, on this topic

criteria for *jus cogens* as stipulated in Draft Conclusion 4, and its descriptive elements

Mr. Chairman,

While we note the inclusion of the topic of *Succession of States in Respect of State*

*Responsibility* in the ILC's program of work and congratulate Mr. Pavel Šturma on his appointment, we would like to question, as some members of the Commission have, whether there is a need for this study given the reality of contemporary states