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Mr. Chairman,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the European Union and its Member States

The Candidate Countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*, Montenegro*, Serbia* and Albania*, the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, align themselves with this statement.

We take note with appreciation of the report by the Secretary-General on the Administration of Justice at the United Nations (A/73/217) and on the activities of the Office of the United Nations Ombudsman and Mediation Services (A/73/167), as well as of the reports by the

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we would like to reaffirm that the Organisation should always provide answers to non-staff personnel and where appropriate should not refrain from proposing possible remedies. We can support the proposals made by the UN Secretary General relating to the conclusions and actions to be taken by the General Assembly with regard to the amendment to Article 7 of the Rules of Procedure and the responsibility of the Secretary General as Chief Administrative Officer of the Organisation.

Finally, Mr. Chairman, we take note of the recommendations made by the Internal Justice Council in its report A/73/218.

I thank you Mr. Chairman.