

Statement on behalf of the European Union and its Member States

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For these reasons, the European Union and its Member States highlight the importance of this agenda item. The Regulations that underpin Article 102 of the Charter have an important purpose in reaffirming and promoting the appropriate registration and publication of treaties and international agreements.

A review to update the current Regulations to:

- reflect the evolution of practice and modern technological developments;
- clarify and simplify the procedural requirements for registration,
- facilitate further use of electronic resources in the process

is welcome. Such a review would also be a tool to help improve appropriate dissemination of information on registered treaties and international agreements.

Through thorough discussion and exchange of best practices, such a review could lead to greater efficiency in the publication of the UN Treaty Series and enhance transparency. The review could also enable identification of areas where a better use of resources could be secured.

It would, moreover, reinforce the usefulness of the Regulations for all parties to treaties and