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Thank you Mr. Chairman,

It is an honor to speak on the agenda item "Observer status for the Group of Seven Plus in the General Assembly" and in favor of, and as co-sponsor of the draft Resolution A/C.6/74/L.2 .

Timor-Leste is one of the founding members of the group of seven plus, or as it is better known small g7+, which was established in 2010 in our capital Dili, and now

conflict.

Member states of the group have come together to advocate for country-led and

through the rule of law, strong state institutions, good governance, inclusion, dialogue and reconciliation to consolidate peace, and prevent the re-occurrence of conflict, in each of our countries. The group has also recently adopted a platform on management of natural resources for conflict prevention, including the importance of ensuring that all citizens benefit from income derived from the

natural resources of each of their respective countries. Member states of the group have benefitted greatly, through this cooperation and peer learning, in the areas of peace and state-building.

As was mentioned by the current Chair of the group, Sierra Leone, the g7+ group was instrumental in advocating for the inclusion of SDG16 on just, peaceful and inclusive societies, in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The group has

Member states of the group are also active in furthering implementation of SDG16+ through the Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies and the SDG 16+ Forum. It is also worth noting that many of the g7+ member states have hosted, UN special political and peace keeping missions, and based on these specific experiences, Timor-Leste and some of the member states made submissions to Secretary General Antonio Guterres, as a contribution to the reforms on the peace and security architecture.

Mr Chairman

(s) such as hope that the 6th Committee can consider positively the example

request for observer status.