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Thank you, Mr. Chairman,

At the outset, I would like to associate myself with the statement delivered by the distinguished representative of Guyana on behalf of the G77 & China and would like to make the following remarks in my national capacity.

The Islamic Republic of Iran thanks the Chair of the Advisory Committee of Program of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law as well as the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs for its dedication to the effective implementation of the Program. The Program is beneficial particularly in disseminating knowledge of international law and building capacity for developing countries.

Due to its importance as a platform for information sharing, it was unfortunate that some of the training courses were cancelled due to the pandemic. Such a situation should drive us to deliberate towards planning for alternative virtual regional courses in international law while underscoring the importance of in-person training, which should never be replaced by virtual learning.

With respect to the Audio-Visual Library, we are of the view that