



Statement

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Madam Chair,

We thank Ambassador Mahmoudoud, Chairman of the International Law Commission and the entire Commission for their tireless efforts in accomplishing the work of the Commission in the past year.

Protection of the atmosphere
We recognize the outstanding contribution of Professor Murase Shinya and the Commission in completing and adopting the set of guidelines on the protection of the atmosphere, together with commentaries thereto, on first reading.

The atmosphere plays an essential role in sustaining life on Earth, human health and welfare, and ecosystems. Protection of the atmosphere is an issue of common concern to the international community as a whole, including Viet Nam.

My Delegation has followed this topic with keen interest. We would like to make the following observations.

First, we wish to register our regret that the Guidelines exclude from its scope of application the question of transfer of fund and technology, including intellectual properties, to developing countries. This principle is one of the fundamental and overriding principles of international environmental law and international law relating to the protection of the atmosphere. Given this exclusion is meant to comply with the 2013 Understanding, my Delegation takes the view that,

technology from the scope of application of this ~~topic~~ without a reasonable basis.

agreements such as free trade area agreements. In these cases, provisional application of these agreements contribute to promoting application of treaties and furthering international cooperation

It must, however, be emphasized that