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Mr. Chairperson,

At the outset, I would like to align myself with the statements delivered on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement and the Group of Friends on Defense of the Charter of the United Nations, respectively and deliver the following in my national capacity.

My delegation welcomes the call within resolution A/76/117 that invites Member States to focus their comments on the the impacts of the global coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic on the rule of law at the national and international levels Sixth Committee debate.

The outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic has altered many aspects of life both nationally and internationally; dramatically and, in some ways, permanently. Once it had reached all corners of the world, every single human being was forced to face a common enemy as this pandemic was, without a doubt, the greatest public health emergency of our time. As a result, there was a sudden raised optimism in the international community as it could come together for a united response within a spirit of cooperation. Despite taking place at a time when multilateralism was under attack, it also provided a unique opportunity for multilateralism to



succeed and be strengthened during this period of global crisis and uncertainty. As the Secretary-General stated, I quote: More than ever before, we need solidarity, hope and the political will to see this crisis through to .

Unfortunately, in reality, this was not the case. The Unilateral Coercive Measures (UCMs), as the main obstacle in fighting this hidden enemy, remained and were even enforced by those opportunistic countries that seized this pandemic as a chance to accomplish their inhumane political aspirations.



coproduced with Cuba which we are exporting to a number of countries now. I would like to proudly express that currently the death toll from coronavirus in Iran is less than 10 persons in most days.

Mr. Chairperson,

In my final remarks, let me reaffirm commitment to the rule of law at the national and international levels. We acknowledge the United Nations central role for upholding as well as strengthening the rule of law at the international level. However, with regards to paragraph 64 of the Secretary General report contained in document A/77/213, we reiterate our position that 0.0627 0.102 RG[reaff)-7(ir)-5m)4()]TET@0.00000912 0