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(212) 8614900 Fax: (212) 6280252 States are also actively engaged birilateral and multilateral mechanisms to provide assistance at the request of affected States. Therefore, the absence at this stage of a universal treaty on the issues under consideration is by no means identical to a situation of complete legal vacuum.

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Such an approach is inconsistent with the principles of solidarity and cooperation. Its application will only exacerbate the already vulnerable situation of the affected State.

It seemed that the elaboration of a truly universal international treaty on the subject matter required a thorough rethinking of the logic proposed by the Commission and a thorough revision of the draft articles in order to shift the focus from the obligations of the affected State to its needs and rights.

In particular, it should be reflected that external assistance is provided on the basis of the request of the affected state and with its consent, a provided for in UN General Assembly resolution 46/182 of December 19, 1991.

It makes sense to clearly spell out the provisions on the inadmissibility of politicizing the issue of providing assistance, imposing it or making it dependent on the solution of extraneous issues.

It is important to note that any assistance must be carried out in compliance with the laws of the affected State, without prejudice to its sovereignty or interference in internal affairs. Such actions may not be use to collect classified information of a political, economic or military nature.

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