Chair,

- The delegation of Sierra Leone aligns this statement with the statement delivered by the Distinguished Representative of the Republic of Uganda on behalf of the African Group.
- 2. The delegation of Sierra Leone continues to notes the particular significance of the topic: "Protection of persons in the event of disasters", and the Sixth Committee's continued consideration of this agenda item, including the recommendation of the International Law Commission (ILC) contained in paragraph 46 of its report (A/71/10) on the work of its 68th session to elaborate "

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- 3. Accordingly, we also continue to acknowledge the significant contribution of the ILC to the progressive development of international law and its codification.
- 4. We welcome the General Assembly's noting "

" in its

resolution 71/141.

Chair,

5. My delegation continues to note the regrettable

international law, with due regard to women, children and the most vulnerable groups in affected communities, should cut across our consideration, and in all disaster management or response mechanism. We therefore welcome the emphasis on human rights and human dignity in the adopted draft articles by the ILC.

8. In General Assembly resolution 76/119, the Assembly agreed to:

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