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Administration of justice at the United Nations

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Madam/Mr. Chair,

Thank you for giving me the floor. The Kingdom of the Netherlands aligns itself with the statement given by the European Union on behalf of the EU and its Member States.

To start, let me thank the Secretary-General for his reports on the Activities of the Office of the UN Ombudsman and Mediation Services and on the Administration of Justice at the United Nations. Let me also thank the Internal Justice Council for their report.

We would like to highlight the following elements.

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First, the Kingdom of the Netherlands notes that the UN Dispute Tribunal disposed of 206 cases during 2023 and again reduced its backlog. This tackling of backlog is a valued progression.

However, considering there is still a backlog, the Kingdom of the Netherlands continues to encourage the UN Dispute Tribunal to increase its efficiency in line with the measures introduced by the General Assembly in resolutions 73/276 and 74/258.

The Kingdom of the Netherlands wishes to express its appreciation to all judges and personnel at the Dispute Tribunal as well as Appeals Tribunal for their dedication and the work that has been done.

The Kingdom of the Netherlands welcomes the development of the Caselaw portal and the continued dissemination of information and materials in multiple languages. We are confident that the functioning of the system of Administration of Justice will continue to further professionalize and improve.

The Kingdom of the Netherlands will continue to engage on the functioning of the system of Administration of Justice at the UN.

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