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## **STATEMENT**

**BY**

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**Agenda item 79: Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its seventy-fifth session**

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Mr Chairman,

Since I am taking the floor for the first time, I would like to congratulate Your Excellency Mr. Rui Vinhas, chair of the Sixth Committee, and reassure you my delegation's full support during this Committee's session.

This session of the Committee marks 80 years, almost to the day, since the conclusion of the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, which formulated the proposals for the establishment of an international organisation that would become the United Nations. Only five years later, the International Law Commission held its first session and is now considered the cornerstone of the international legal order. Slovenia would like to congratulate the ILC on this important anniversary and on its significant contributions over the past 75 years. Slovenia would also like to congratulate the two newly elected members of the Commission.

Mr Chairman,

The agenda of the Commission for its 75th session contained highly relevant topics.

Mr Chairman,

With regard to the topic of **Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction**, Slovenia would like to express its gratitude to the Special Rapporteur, Mr Claudio Grossman Guiloff. Slovenia would also like to thank the previous Special Rapporteurs, Mr Roman A. Kolodkin and Ms Concepción Escobar Hernández, for their contributions to the work on this topic since it was included in the Commission's programme of work in 2007.

Given the vast scope of the topic and the fact that the issue of Immunity of State officials requires careful and thorough

as appropriate. Further efforts by the Commission on this topic could contribute to both the progressive development and codification of international law.

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can be additionally explained in the commentary and do not consider it necessary to elaborate on them

Although the Montevideo Convention on the Rights and Duties of States introduced a set of criteria for the qualification of an entity as a State, it cannot deny the existence of statehood once it has been acquired, even if one or more of these criteria are no longer fulfilled. The continuity of statehood is closely linked to the applicability of the principles of self-determination, the protection of the territorial integrity of t69 0 595.2 84bility of the

Mr Chairman,

In conclusion, Slovenia has taken note of the Commission's requests for comments, observations and information on the topics of the Commission's report and will provide any information relevant to the Commission's future work on these topics.

Thank you.