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Statement of Ireland on Agenda Item 79:

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Mr Chairman

1. As this is my first time taking the floor in the Sixth Committee this year, I would like to express my appreciation to the Bureau.
2. I would like to thank the Commission, as well as the Secretariat staff, for their work during the 75th session.
3. I wish to address today the topics of Immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction and of sea level rise in relation to international law will also make a brief remark on the decisions and conclusions of the Commission.
4. As regards immunity of State officials from foreign criminal jurisdiction Ireland reiterates its

Mr. Chairman,

8. As regards the proposals of the Special Rapporteur reformulated draft articles 1 to 6, for consideration on second reading, I would like to make the following observations. Firstly, on paragraph (3) of draft article 1, Ireland welcomes the amendment of this paragraph and had been one of the delegations urging this adjustment but wonder whether the revised text would capture all relevant instruments, including for instance the recently concluded ~~United~~ ^{United} ~~Kingdom~~ ^{Kingdom} ~~at~~ ^{at} The Hague Convention on International Cooperation in the Investigation and Prosecution of International Crimes.

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with a set of conclusions. Such a report will allow States to consider the issues in the and determine how best to follow up the work of the Commission on this very important topic.

Mr. Chairman

24. To conclude, I would briefly like to mention the report of the International Law Seminar which took place in Geneva during summer. Ireland considers that this Seminar is integral to the promotion of international law broadly speaking, giving as it does the opportunity to young lawyers, particularly those from developing countries, to learn about the work of the Commission, as well as deepening their general understanding of international law. We commend the Members of the Commission for giving the valuable time to the Seminar each year. We encourage those states in a position to do so to consider making voluntary contributions to the Seminar, as we have done, to ensure wide participation, including by young lawyers who could not afford to do so without financial assistance.

I thank you for your kind attention.