The Special Rapporteur has expressed the view that the negotiating history of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties contemplated a category of agreements that were not legally binding. But state practice in the period following adoption of the Vienna Convention provides little support for the view that states have supported the characterization of the galbyn binding instruments and exchanges as "agreeme

Particularly instructive in this regard is Committee of Legal Advisers on Public International Law in addressing these same issues.

Turning to the final topic for this cluster, that of succession of States in respect of State responsibility, we thank the Commission for its work on this topic, take note of the establishment of a Working Group and congratula esofessor Patel on his appointment as Chaire United States appreciates the Commission's decision Commission's work on this topic to an end.

Thank you.