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In the Name of Allah, The Merciful, The Compassionate

Mr. Chairman,

At the outset, it is my honour to extend to you, in the name of the State of Kuwait our thanks for the continued efforts you exert through your chairmanship of this Committee. Here, I cannot but also thank the Secretary-General on his annual report, that he has prepared about strengthening the activities of the United Nations in the field of the Rule of Law at the national and international levels (document A/67/720) for the Committee and its works.

Mr. Chairman,

The State of Kuwait, attaches a great deal of importance to strengthening the rule of law at the national and international levels, and welcomes what is contained in the report of the Secretary-General, while affirming the need to work on and adhere to, what is contained in the report, to guarantee the strengthening of the rule of law, as well as the adherence of the member states and the main bodies of the United Nations to implement the Charter of the United Nations and its principles, as well as international law.

The Secretary-General has touched on the subject of the rule of law, as a principle for governance, wherein the people and the institutions are equal before the law, and seek judgment from to an independent judiciary. These standards and international norms are in accordance to the principles of the rule of law and equality before the law. In this framework, the State of Kuwait affirms the need to work according to what is contained in the report of Secretary-General to guarantee that the international community enjoys international peace and security, and to achieve the justice that leads to the comprehensive and sustainable development for all, as well as the economic growth and the elimination of poverty and hunger.

Therefore, the State of Kuwait welcomes the adoption by the Member States of the declaration of the High-level Meeting on the rule of Law at the National and International Levels, whereby the State reiterated their adherence to the purposes of the United Nations Charter as well as laying, the foundations of an international order that is built on the basis of the rule of law.

Mr. Chairman,

In this regard, the State of Kuwait enjoys at the local level a constitutional democratic system, which provides that the nation is the source of the legislative, executive and judicial authorities. Bt5N (s)6 (o.7 (s)on ut)C10.atis ()0.7 ()0.7 (e)6ho

From this premise, the Arab (Palestinian-Israeli) conflict, is considered one of the most prominent cases of violations of international law and international humanitarian law for more than 60 years. Although, it threatens international peace and security in the Middle East, yet the United Nations have not found a solution to this pivotal issue, which led to its further complication, and made Israel persist in its expansion and settlement policies, as well as in its aggression against the Palestinian people through violence and killing, and imposing a blockposi claza, without a.m61a nimum level of responsibility or consideration to human rights.

Therefore, the State of Kuwait supports the efforts that aim to achieve peace and stability in the area, as well as its support of the endeavours of the Palestinian Authority to gain full embership in the United Nations, according to international resolutions and initiatives.

The Stat0.m61a Kuwait d the international community responsible for the killing of civilians, including women and children that is going on in Syria. The Stat0.m61a Kuwait calls upon the United Nations to issue promptly international resolutions to stop the bleeding, that is costing the lives of innocent people, while assuring that there is no immunity to those perpetrating those crimes, in consolidation 6f the rule 6f law.

In this regard, the State of Kuwait emphasizes the need to resort to the international judicial mechanisms for the peaceful settlement 6f conflicts, without the use of force, nor the threat of the use of force, and demands that the international comna/16ity t ultiohe itms ef6frts12 ()0.6 (t)11.7 (o)0.4pr)11..6 (v)12 (i)0de7 (y)12