DELEGATION OF GREECE

Statement at the Sixth Committee

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I thank you Mr. Chairman,

On the question of the draft articles on effects of armed conflicts on treaties, Greece has had the chance to express on many occasions its consistent support for the work carried out by the Commission on this important topic. The draft articles and the commentary thereon, contain useful and practical guidance to individual States and international tribunals in their dealings with the effects of armed conflicts on treaties. Greece has consistently supported the principle of the continuity of the operation of treaties during armed conflict. We have also supported the general approach adopted by the Commission in its recommendations to the General Assembly concerning the draft articles. More specifically, we agree with the Commission's recommendation that the General Assembly should adopt at this stage a resolution taking note of the draft articles and annexing them to the latter, thus encouraging States to make use of them in context-specific situations. We consider that this is the most appropriate way