The training provided for lawyers, scholars, diplomats has gained undoubted notoriety in the world and therefore a growing number of applications are sent each year for the International Law Fellowship Programme and the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law.

As an alumni of the International Law Fellowship Programme, I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the Division of the Office of Legal Affairs for facilitating my participation in the 2018 international law courses.

Madam Chair,

A better understanding of international law is key to a better fulfillment by the member States of their shared obligations: to maintain international peace and security, to develop friendly relations and to achieve international co-operation in solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural, or humanitarian character. Based on this conviction, the State University of the Republic of Moldova has integrated the lecture series collection of the UN Audiovisual Library of International Law in its Masters and PhD curriculums in international law.

In concluding, Madam Chair, my delegation underlines once again the significance of the United Nations Programme of Assistance in strengthening the role of international law in ever-evolving international relations, and appreciates the support given to developing countries, and countries with emerging economies in enabling government legal officers and researchers to extend their knowledge on a broad range of subjects of international law.

I thank you, Madam Chair.