Statement by Turkey on Agenda Item 84

at the Sixth Committee

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Mr. Chairman,

Under our domestic legislation, Turkish courts have the legal authority to adjudicate certain categories of crimes, including especially some of the most serious international crimes, regardless of the nationality of the perpetrator or where the crime was committed.

The initiation of legal proceedings with regard to some of these crimes, such as genocide, crimes against humanity, human trafficking and torture, require a formal request by the Minister of Justice, if they are committed abroad.