



New Zealand thanks the International Law Commission and its commissioners for its report on the work of the sixty-ninth session. We also thank its Chairman, Mr Georg Nolte, for his introductory speech. In our statement today we will comment on Chapters IV (crimes against humanity) and V (provisional application of treaties) and XI (other ~~decisions taken by the Committee~~)

Chairperson,

New Zealand acknowledges the work of Mr Sean D Murphy as Special Rapporteur for the topic of crimes against humanity, enabling the successful conclusion of the Commission's first reading of the draft articles on crimes against humanity. We congratulate the

that person may be subjected to a crime against humanity. We look forward to hearing more about the views of other states on this issue.

New Zealand strongly supports crimes against humanity being criminalised under national laws and that States establish national jurisdiction to prosecute these crimes.

We also welcome the obligation to protect and consider the rights of victims of crimes

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clear by addressing the issue in the text of a treaty or by recording the intention in another agreement.

~~multilateral treaties or state practice does not vote in favour of provisional application~~