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Mr. / Madam Chair,

I wish to align my delegation with the statements made by the distinguished representatives of the European Union and the Gambia and add a few remarks in my national capacity.

Mr. / Madam Chair,

Slovakia has been consistent and clear in its support for the outcome of the work of the International Law Commission on the topic *Crimes against humanity* since the draft articles were submitted to the Sixth Committee for deliberations in 2019. We remain convinced that the set of 15 articles with commentaries, significant part of which reflect, in our view, customary international law, present a carefully drafted and solid basis for codification.

We welcome the exchange of substantive views on the articles earlier this year and