STATEMENT
78TH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY
UNDER AGENDA ITEM 77
“United Nations Programme of Assistance in Teaching, Study,
Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law”

Mr. Chairperson,
I have the honour to deliver this statement on behalf of the Delegation of the
Republic of Uganda. At the outset, my Delegation aligns itself with the statements
made on behalf of the African Group, the Non-Aligned Movement, and the Group of
77 and China.
 My delegation expresses its appreciation to the Office of Legal Affairs and the
Codification Division for their invaluable efforts in implementing the United Nations
Program of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Widespread
Appreciation of International Law as highlighted in the Secretary-General's report
contained in document A/78/515.
My delegation extends its appreciation to the members of the Advisory Committee
on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study,
Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law and its Chair, H.E.
Harold Adlai Agyeman, Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations,
as well as the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs for their continued
commitment and support to the programme and its success.
Chairperson, Uganda fully supports the objectives of the Programme of Assistance as
espoused in General Assembly resolution 2099 (XX) of 20 December 1965, and reaffirmed
in subsequent related General Assembly resolutions. We therefore welcome the activities
highlighted in the current report under the Programme of Assistance covering the Regional
Courses in International Law and the International Law Fellowship Programme, the
Audiovisual Library, international law training materials, desktop publishing,
dissemination and the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship on the Law of
the Sea
My delegation would like to express support for the Programme of Assistance and
we welcome the full resumption of the Regional Courses and the International Law
Fellowship. My delegation would like to emphasize the need to ensure diversity of legal
traditions and gender balance among the among the participants of the regional training
programmes. We would also like to express support for the funding of the activities of the
Programme from the regular budget of the United Nations Organization, while also
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Uganda reiterates that the traditional in-person programmes are still the most
suitable and optimum vehicle for delivering the envisaged capacity building. Therefore,
Uganda welcomes the convening of the International Law Fellowship Programme in person
in the Hague from 4 July until 5 August 2023, with the participation of 21 participants,