



**AGENDA ITEM 83
THE RULE OF LAW AT THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL
LEVELS**

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Thank you Chair

1. My delegation aligns itself with the statements delivered on behalf of the African Group by the distinguished representative of Uganda, and on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement by the distinguished representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Chair,

2. Concerted engagements within the United Nations in the promotion of the rule of law constitute the bedrock of credible achievements towards our shared aspirations of a United family of Nations that is just, secure and peaceful. Such an environment is necessary for the related aspiration for Sustainable Development
3. Without adherence to the law to constrain the conduct of people and states, no matter their level of economic, military and geopolitical power and

influence, peaceful coexistence and cooperation will remain just a mere dream
- not an attainable goal

4. Kenya ascribes to the classic definition of the rule of law based on general principles applicable on equal terms to all persons and respects and preserves the dignity, equality and human rights of all persons. Norms of international law must be reliable, predictable and equitable to help foster closer cooperation in our region and internationally.
5. Channeling their application through the Constitution of Kenya, these norms engagement in critical international engagements including action on climate change, humanitarian intervention, international peace and security, counterterrorism and violent extremism and the necessary, yet long overdue review of the international financial architecture.
6. of the rule of law and coordination of United Nations rule of law assistance as reflected in the Secretary We also welcome the new vision of the Secretary General for the rule of law and look forward to the implementation of the lines of actions set out therein.

Chair,

7. We appreciate the efforts by Member States in ensuring the delivery of rule of law related services especially through a fast-evolving technological space.
8. However, the technological inadequacies in developing countries laid bare by the pandemic call for more capacity building in information and communication technologies as a critical tool in aiding the aims of this discussion. We therefore

