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**Statement on National Implementation Measures**

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The following statement is delivered on behalf of the Inter-Agency Coordination Group on Mine Action (IACG-MA)<sup>1</sup>, comprising 14 United Nations entities involved in mine action.

The United Nations acknowledges that States Parties are developing and investing in national strategies, policy frameworks and capacities to accelerate transition and foster national ownership and implementation, as evidenced through our Mine Action Monitoring and Evaluation Mechanisms.<sup>2</sup>

Nevertheless, the United Nations continues to encourage States Parties to share their experiences in taking legal, administrative and other measures necessary to implement the Convention. Bearing in mind that there are different legal systems in different countries and regions, exchanges of best practices is extremely useful in this area. Tailor made implementation measures are needed since uniform application is not always possible.

There are many tools available to develop and take appropriate legal and administrative measures to implement the CCM, including draft model legislation developed by New Zealand and specific legal guidance developed by the ICRC regarding the CCM. If States Parties require it in this area, the United Nations stands ready to provide additional support.

In this spirit, the United Nations will actively support the action referenced in the draft Dubrovnik Action Plan on raising awareness of obligations in the CCM and national implementation measures, and their dissemination to national armed forces, as well as their reflection in military doctrine, policies and training.

Thank you.

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<sup>2</sup> Data and analysis from the Mechanism for Monitoring and Evaluation for "The Strategy of the United Nations for Mine Action 2013-2018."