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**Statement by the Delegation of the Arab Republic of  
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Mr. Chairperson,

- 1- We align with the statement delivered earlier by Tunisia on behalf of the Arab Group, as well as the statement delivered yesterday by Nigeria on behalf of the African group.
- 2- In the first intervention by the Egyptian delegation during this 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, we underscored that our main and key priority would be to ensure a seamless transition to a future permanent mechanism that can enable the continuation of a single-track, action-oriented and consensus-based UN-led process on security of and in the use of ICT, and not to open the space for a vacuum or competitive initiatives.
- 3- From this prism, Egypt joins consensus today around the draft report. We based our decision on number of considerations including the fact that this report complements the three annual progress reports previously adopted by consensus, and that the normative framework of responsible state behavior continues to be cumulative and evolving. We welcome also the steps taken at this report to reflect a more diverse and representative landscape of threats that captures the reality in different regions.
- 4- Nevertheless, and as explained on previous occasions, we continue to be deeply disappointed with some crucial points with this report and its annex.
- 5- The omission of a dedicated DTG on the application of international law in the context of cyber space is very alarming, and along with the significant reduction in the content of section D on international law, Egypt, like many others, is concerned with how the application of and compliance with respective international law obligations, including international

humanitarian law, will be approached under the new global mechanism. It is important to indicate once again that our interest and commitment to discussions supporting respect to international law and the UN Charter, does not in any mean or way indicate conclusive preference or preempting a discussion of a legally binding instrument as an indispensable pathway.

- 6- As mentioned by the Arab Group, we will continue to advance this avenue at the upcoming review meeting, and request the Chairperson of the global mechanism to convene a focused round table on application of international law.
- 7- In addition, we maintain our view that the content and recommendations in relation to capacity building is significantly lower than our expectations. Without concrete and meaningful steps to establish a UN-led capacity building vehicle including through the voluntary fund and sponsorship program, and availing adequate, sufficient and predictable resources for this purpose, the discussion at DTG2 will not realize its desired potential. Making meaningful and prompt on this front will be crucial for the level of confidence and the credibility of the newly born mechanism.

Mr. Chairperson,

- 8- Having said that, we won't miss on paying tribute to your exemplary leadership. Chairperson, we have mentioned before and we are saying it again, you were the consistently serious and diligent participant in this process from its inception till its conclusion. Without your strong and impactful leadership, this process would have been in a very different place which is way less effective and ambitious. I want also to extent our gratitude to my two dear colleagues and friends from your team, Mathew Wong and Clarice Lim and the very dedicated team at the secretariat Ms Prizeman and Ms Browning.

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9- Chairperson, thank you for taking us forward, at a time when consensus around progress at the UN is becoming the exception rather than the norm.

I thank you.