

The Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to note verbale EOSG/ROL/2014/1 and the Declaration of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Rule of Law of 24 September 2012 (A/RES/67/1), has the honour to hereby transmit the following information on the progress of the implementation of the pledge to strengthen specific aspects of the Rule of Law, with the consent that the information may be made publicly available through the Rule of Law website:

- 1) Norway, together with the other members of the Group of Like-Minded States on Targeted Sanctions, is committed to improve fair and clear procedures within the Security Council sanctions regimes. The group has submitted suggestions to the Security Council to strengthen the role played by the Ombudsperson in the listing and de-listing procedures and will continue to support its mandate.
- 2) Norway supports the work of the OHCHR as the lead entity within the United Nations system in the area of transitional justice, and recognizes the considerable efforts made by the OHCHRs in assisting transitional justice processes in more than 20 countries worldwide. Furthermore, Norway has provided financial support to the implementation of activities related to the mandate of the Special Rapporteur for the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence. These activities include thematic research reports and papers, multilateral discussions on normative development in different regional and international fora, and country-level advisory work. Norway also contributes financially to the work of the International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ) through a multi-year framework agreement.
- 3) Norway has continued to be the main donor to the "Stand by team of Mediation Experts" of the DPA. A significant part of the work of the experts centre on constitutional reform and constitutional issues in countries like Mali and Somalia.

The Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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