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[on the report of the Sixth Committee (A/71/509)]

71/141. Protection of persons in the event of disasters

The General Assembly,

Having considered chapter IV of the report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-eighth session,¹ which contains the draft articles on the protection of persons in the event of disasters,²

Noting that the Commission decided to recommend to the General Assembly the elaboration of a convention on the basis of the draft articles,³

Emphasizing the continuing importance of the codification and progressive development of international law, as referred to in Article 13, paragraph 1 (a), of the Charter of the United Nations,

Noting that the subject of the protection of persons in the event of disasters is of major importance in the relations of States,

Taking into account views and comments expressed in the Sixth Committee on chapter IV, on the protection of persons in the event of disasters, of the report of the Commission,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* to the International Law Commission for its continuing contribution to the codification and progressive development of international law;

2. *Takes note* of the draft articles on the protection of persons in the event of disasters, presented by the Commission,² and invites Governments to submit comments concerning the recommendation by the Commission to elaborate a convention on the basis of these articles;³

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventy-third session an item entitled "Protection of persons in the event of disasters".

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13 December 2016*

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Seventy-first Session, Supplement No. 10 (A/71/10).*

² *Ibid.*, para. 48.

³ *Ibid.*, para 6.

