Thank you chair,

In New Zealand’s view, the preamble should reflect and underscore a general principle we are seeking to achieve in this convention, which is the proper balance between the interests of law enforcement and respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms.

In addition, New Zealand would support elements that:
- Recognise the need for effective cooperation between states in combatting cybercrime;
- Recognise the importance of the role of civil society, academia and the private sector in preventing and combating cybercrime; and
- Recognise the importance of obtaining justice for victims of cybercrime, including the differentiated impact cybercrime has on certain groups, for example women and children.

We would also support elements that recognise the role of existing relevant international instruments and international cooperation frameworks to combat cybercrime.

This is of course not an exhaustive list. And in response to the final question, New Zealand considers it premature to discuss in detail the content of the preamble. We would prefer to analyse this in more detail after the fourth and fifth negotiating sessions when we have made progress on the substantive articles.

Thank you chair.