

General Statement by China at the Sixth Meeting of the Open-Ended Intergovernmental Expert Group on Cybercrime

1. China welcomes Resolution 74/247 adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations, which represents the first step towards a global convention on combating cybercrime. China believes that the global convention should take into full consideration the useful experiences and practices of international community, and should respond to the fast development of digital technology and that of cybercrime, and provide a universal legal framework that will benefit all parties.

2. The topics of "international cooperation" and "prevention" to be discussed at this meeting are crucial to our joint efforts against cybercrime. China has submitted concrete comments and recommendations prior to this meeting, and we look forward to sharing with all parties our experiences and good practices in these two areas.

3. Cross-border electronic data collection is a core issue in international cooperation. The practices of collecting electronic data stored in other States directly from enterprises and individual, is an issue of our concern. China believes that the international community should further streamline the current international cooperation mechanisms on cross-border electronic data collection and formulate procedures acceptable to all through negotiation when elaborating the global convention on combating cybercrime, which shall be based on the principle of State sovereignty.

4. Equal weight should be given to the prevention of cybercrime. ISPs play important roles in preventing cybercrime. States shall define ISPs' obligations of preventing cybercrime in their domestic laws, in particular the obligation of early alert of cybersecurity risks and emergency response to cybersecurity incidents. ISPs should take measures to ensure

that their service will not be used to commit cybercrime. It's also essential to promote information sharing and capacity building in order to prevent cybercrime more effectively. Therefore, we encourage States to establish an international cyber threat information sharing system and provide technical assistance and training to developing countries.

5. According to the 2018-2021 work plan of the Expert Group, this meeting will conclude the discussion of substantive topics. Afterwards, the Expert Group will hold the seventh meeting no later than 2021 to take stock of the conclusions and recommendations suggested by States in previous meetings, adopt a consolidated list, and submit it to the United Nations Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice. China calls on all parties to continue to support the work of the Expert Group, and ensure that the Expert Group can complete its work within 2021.