

**Statement by the Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran**  
**Before**  
**The Thirtieth Session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal**  
**Justice**

**On Agenda Item 6 (b):**

**Ratification and implication of the United Nations Convention against**  
**Corruption**

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*In the name of God, the Compassionate, the merciful*

**Mr. Chair.**

My delegation welcomes the particular attention of the Commission to this agenda item, focused on “the ratification and implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption”;

Today, corruption still remains one of the biggest global challenges of our time and threatens the stability and security of every country in the world. We have come a long way, but the truth is no country is immune from corruption. Therefore, tackling corruption effectively requires a coordinated and strengthened international cooperation bolstered by the political will of *all* States Parties. That is why, Member States supported the General Assembly to convene a special session against corruption. We emphasize on the importance of the purpose of the special Session of the General Assembly, which is to address “challenges and measures to prevent and combat corruption and strengthen international cooperation”;

We believe that the political declaration as the outcome of the Special Session would be a sound context to pave the way for the full and effective implementation of the Convention. It is for this reason that we have had an active engagement and

constructive participation in the process of negotiation and consultation of the political declaration.

We also attach great importance to international cooperation in the fight against corruption and believe that the Convention, as the only comprehensive and legally binding instrument in this field, has provided an appropriate framework for strengthening and coordinating actions among States Parties in their fight against corruption;

We view the review mechanism of the Convention as an effective tool to assist States Parties in their effective implementation of the Convention as well as to identify and substantiate specific needs and priorities and facilitate the provision of technical assistance in the prevention of and the fight against corruption.

In conclusion, we would like to reiterate, once again, the commitment of the Islamic Republic of Iran in preventing and combating corruption and express our support for the works of this session in reinforcing international cooperation in fighting against corruption.

**I thank you.**