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Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I would like to congratulate the Organizing Committee and all those who, over the years, have been working to address the major issues of humanity ensuring peace, security and stability on our planet.

Excelencies,

The Republic of Angola is aware of the importance of participating in this forum as a moment to exchanging knowledge, experiences and relevant information for the development of national and international strategies meant to set up mechanism towards Crime’s Prevention and Penal Justice.

It is with great honor and full responsibility that we represent today, the Government of Angola at the 30th Session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Penal Justice.

Dear Members,

In compliance with the international precepts taken and due to the changes occurred in the organization of
the Justice System, substantially important gains have been made at the legislative level, such as the approval of the Penal Code and of a new Code of Penal Procedure, labour legislation on preventing and combating Money-Laundering, Terrorism, Financing of Terrorism and Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction, on the use and formalization of evidence obtained through Video-Surveillance, Covered Actions and Wiretapping, on the protection of Victims, Witnesses and Collaborating Defendants.

In this regard, given the complexity of this type of crime, the support of other countries and specialized international organizations such as the UNODC is so crucial.

We also highlight the fact that the Republic of Angola has signed, over the past few years, International Agreements on International Judicial Cooperation with several States, both in criminal and civil matters, in order to remain firm in its commitment to Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.

Mr. Chair,

The Angolan Executive reaffirms its commitment to promote international cooperation and implement the policies and strategies adopted for Preventing Crime
and Penal Justice, as well as its full commitment to continue approving legislative, administrative and political measures meant to face the global phenomenon on crime and promote criminal justice, thus strengthening the Democratic Rule of Law.

I thank you all!