STATEMENT

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Chairperson,
Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime,
Distinguished delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Thank you for providing the South African delegation an opportunity to express its views on this critically important agenda item.

Chairperson,

As one of the guiding principles for the functioning of the review mechanism of the UNCAC, the Implementation Review Group is expected to be transparent, efficient, non-intrusive, inclusive and impartial. To this end, it is important to ensure that adequate funding is availed to the working group so as to be able to achieve its mandate.

We therefore call on member states and international donors to assist with unearmarked or unburdened extra-budgetary resources to protect the integrity of the review mechanism and enable it to be non-confrontational.

I thank you