Transcript of statement by Germany

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Madam President, Dear Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

My intervention will be rather brief as Germany fully endorses the statement just delivered by the representative of the European Union.

I would like to say at the outset that we would like to thank the ISU for their valuable, dedicated and goal-oriented work over the past year and that Germany is fully committed to supporting the ISU in the future.

The account just given by the distinguished delegate of Afghanistan is a testimony to the courageous ownership that Afghanistan has taken and we would like to thank Afghanistan for assuming the role of President this year and I would personally congratulate you on the assumption of your important office.

Germany is ready to contribute 40,000 euros to this year's ISU budget like in the previous years. For administrative reasons, Germany will make this contribution in two instalments, one in March and one later this year. With this, we hope that we can deliver our fair share to the full implementation of the tasks that the ISU is charged with.

Thank you Madam Chair.