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Mr. President,

The American Association of Jurists congratulates the Plurinational State of Bolivia for its continuing and commendable efforts deployed at the national and international level.

At the national level, the fundamental changes initiated by the Evo Morales' administration since his election in January 2006 in the legislative, social and economic fields are impressive. Bolivia could be considered as an example for a progressive society protecting the very fundamental rights of the people while being open to the regional and international interactions.

The American Association of Jurists expresses its deep appreciation for the judicial system put in place which recognizes the rights of nations and indigenous peoples, native and peasant, to implement their justice system. We commend the Plurinational State of Bolivia for the adoption and the implementation of the Patriotic Agenda 2025, the adoption of the Comprehensive Act to protect the rights of the women, the adoption of the law for the protection of nations and indigenous peoples, as well as the efforts made in the educational sector.

We also express our appreciation to the Bolivian government for the reduction of the unemployment rate and the sharp decrease of extreme poverty. We encourage the government to pursue socio-economic policy that improve the living conditions of the people in order to achieve the "Good Living" (*Buen Vivir*).

At the international level, the American Association of Jurists, recognizes the constructive engagement of the Plurinational State of Bolivia in the Human Rights Council as well as with its Special Procedures and welcomes the renewal of the collaboration agreement with the regional office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

We encourage the Plurinational State of Bolivia to pursue its efforts for the protection and promotion of Human Rights in the country.

I thank you, Mr. President.

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