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Statement by Palau

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Palau continues to be grateful for the support it receives from the ISU and for the service that the ISU provides to the Convention as a whole.

The ISU's budget is modest, particularly compared to the extent of services it provides to us and in such a professional manner.

The ISU's work plan is also a comprehensive document that outlines in an extremely transparent manner how the ISU will act in accordance with its mandate in 2013.

For these reasons and more I wish to express the support of the Republic of Palau for ISU's 2013 work plan and budget.

Moreover, we wish to thank the ISU for its detailed interim report on 2012 activities and finances.

It is impressive to see such a great extent of activity having been carried out by the ISU, particularly given how small its staffing complement is.

We encourage States Parties with the means to do so to financially support the ISU in 2013.

Thank you.