



# NORWAY

Country: Norway

Government: Constitutional Monarchy

Capital: Oslo

Official Language: Norwegian

Population: 5.5 million

Government Structure: Parliamentary Democracy

Head of State: King Harald V

Prime Minister: Erna Solberg

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There is an increasing recognition of the intrinsic linkages between humanitarian and

like to emphasize that the draft principles address many timely questions, such as the designation of significant environmental and cultural areas as protected zones, the protection of the environment of indigenous peoples, the prevention and mitigation of environmental degradation in areas where persons displaced by armed conflict are

The Nordic countries welcome the adoption by the Commission of the entire set of the draft principles and commentaries on protection of the environment in relation to armed

the draft principles on second reading in 2021, as envisaged in the Commission's plan of work for the remainder of the quinquennium. These draft principles are a major step forward in the protection of environment in armed conflicts. In addition, they

been expressed regarding draft article 7. The Nordic countries support the proposed

procedural safeguards, in order to ensure that all relevant aspects of cases involving  
claims of immunity are taken into consideration.

As regards the procedural aspects of immunity and the draft articles contained in the Special Rapporteurs seventh report, the Nordic countries fully agree with the view that these should provide certainty to both the forum State and the State of the official, and help to reduce political considerations and potential abuse of process for political purposes. The procedural safeguards, should, as the rapporteur has stated, be aimed at protecting the interests of both the forum State and the State of the official, and assist to build mutual trust between them. Important in this respect is the draft rules regarding exchange of information and the introduction of a flexible mechanism for consultations. We also very much welcome that the right of the State official to benefit from all fair treatment guarantees is thoroughly recognized.

Mme./Mr. Chair,

In its further work on the draft articles the Special Rapporteur and the Commission  
should take into account the legal provisions that exist in national legal systems

While sea level has risen globally by around 15 cm during the 20th century, it is

mainly due to increasing rates of ice loss from the Greenland and Antarctic ice sheets, according to the recent IPCC Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate.

Small Island States may fully or partially disappear due to sea level rise, or they may become unable to support human habitation. Low-lying areas that are not entirely

and will be vulnerable to destructive erosion, periodic flooding and increased to

The Nordic countries look forward to working with other States and actively engaging with the Commission to provide greater legal clarity in this important field.

Mme./Mr. Chair,

Historically, the ocean has not featured prominently on the international climate change

latest IPCC Special Report fills the knowledge gaps and highlights the urgency of