Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

At the outset, I wish to congratulate you on your election as Chairman of this session.

My delegation would also like to extend our appreciation to the acting Under-Secretary-General for his statement and his work on behalf of the United Nations system. Similarly, I wish to congratulate the entire DPI team for their professionalism and dedication.

In this regard, we welcome the reports of the Se@epartment to promote the work of the United Nations around the

Mr. Chairman,

The advent of new technologies has transformed the communications landscape, facilitating the rapid dissemination of information. We continue to witness how new tools and platforms, such as Facebook and Twitter, are empowering individuals to communicate more freely and openly than ever before.

Israel welcomes the DPI's open minded and modern approach in embracing new communications tools and technologies to reach new global audiences, particularly young people. My delegation also applauds the DPI's constructive engagement with a wide range of stakeholders — and its continuing efforts to advance innovative partnerships and programs.

Mr. Chairman,

Israel is honored to be an active partner with the DPI, holding functions and events that seek

raising an Autistic Child, and lent a powerful voice to those families coping with Autism.

Last Thursday, my government commemorated the 50th anniversary of the trial of Adolf Eichmann in conjunction with DPI. The event included an exhibition in the UN lobby curated by Yad Vashem, as well as a roundtable discussion with Minister Yossi Peled and Noble laureate Sir Elie Wiesel, among other speakers. This event was attended by over 500 people,

I wish to reiterate that Israel would be willing to engage in the formulation of a more constructive and balanced resolution to mandate future activities. Such a resolution must be aimed at the promotion of peace education, tolerance, mutual understanding, and the prevention of incitement.

Mr. Chairman,

Israel is proud to have served as a member of the Committee on Information. We remain committed to the productive and cooperative work of the DPI and a positive outcome to our deliberations.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.