**Mexico**

*General Debate*

*Speaker: H.E. Mr. Miguel Ruiz Cabañas Izquierdo, Vice-Minister for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

**Universality:** Universality remains a challenge, many members of the UN (such as the U.S) are not yet a State Party to the Rome Statute.

Mexico is of the view that the use of veto should be restricted when it comes to mass atrocity crimes.

**Cooperation:** The Court continues to face challenges in the area of cooperation.

**Budget:** Mexico is one of the main contributors to the Court’s budget. Although Mexico acknowledges the need for resources it will not increase its contribution toward international bodies and urges the Court to use its resources responsibly.

**Special Session on Complementarity**

Mexico is making enormous efforts in the matter of capacity-building and improving the coordination at the international level.

**Special Session on Cooperation**

Mexico reiterates its commitment to cooperate with the Court. There are concerns with regard to the lack of cooperation of UN Member States with regard to outstanding arrest warrants in situations that have been referred by the Security Council. Mechanisms need to be put in place to achieve cooperation and to ensure the Prosecutor can continue her work in case of a referral.