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Mr. Chairman, distinguished members of the ACT Working group, Chinese Taipei is very pleased to have this opportunity to share its recent progress on implementation of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) and anti-corruption acts.

First of all, the UNCAC had established a global institutional framework of anti-corruption, which had been accepted by nearly all countries in the world. To show our determination and to be coincident with the global trend of anti-corruption, the Ministry of Justice of Chinese Taipei is now promoting the domesticization of the UNCAC to implement the institutes and policies of the UNCAC. To this end, we are codifying the UNCAC domestically to give it the legislative position and effect. The Ministry of Justice is now trying to develop the draft of the Act of implement the UNCAC to promote the domesticization of the UNCAC.

Secondly, Chinese Taipei has been devoting in the fighting of corruption inside the government to build a clean and efficient government for a long time. For the reason that the corruption is not easy to perceive and the evidence is not easy to find out, Chinese Taipei has been researching about the legislation of the "Whistleblower Protection Act". We hope to encourage the people who know about the corruption to stand out to report it without scare of revenge, including discrimination, demotion, and unreasonable transfer. Chinese Taipei hopes to extent the whistle blowing range from criminal to major administrative unlawful conducts and to extent the protection object from the whistle blower to his spouse, family, etc. Moreover, we will also establish a committee to deal with the whistle blowing affairs.

Finally, it's also recalled that Article 31 of the UNCAC demands each states members shall take necessary measures to identify, trace, freeze or seize the proceeds of crime, in order to avoid the corruption criminal obtaining or enjoying illegal interests. Chinese Taipei has not only constructed a Standard Operational Process to seizure illegal incomes, but also amended the "Money Laundering Control Act" in the following aspects:

- (1) Making a concrete list of Money Laundering behaviors.
- (2) Accurately defining "Property" and "Benefit".
- (3) Enlarging the range of money laundering, which include the criminal types suggested by international organizations.
- (4) Defining "Subsidizing terrorism" as another kind of criminal.
- (5) Concluding professionals from non-financial organizations into the anti-money laundering system.
- (6) Listing special criminals as a new type money laundering crimes.
- (7) Client examination and trading records must also possess a legal basis.

Chinese Taipei understands that one of the main topics of the ACTWG in this year is "Promoting International Cooperation Networks among Member Economies". To this end, Chinese Taipei will continue implementing the policies of UNCAC, and keep promoting cooperation with other economies. Thank you very much!
