



REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE

STATEMENT

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peacebuilding***

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Chairperson

1. Allow me to start by commending the Chair, the speakers, and the panel discussants for their meaningful insights.
2. I would also like to acknowledge the presence of Ms. Catherine Sozi, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator in Mozambique.
3. Her outstanding leadership in accelerating the implementation of the SDGs in close collaboration with the Government is very much appreciated, notwithstanding the challenging global financial landscape, which limits the ability to deliver more and better results.

Chairperson

4. For a country like Mozambique, peace and development, including its humanitarian dimension, are interconnected and mutually reinforcing. The full implementation of the SDGs

is still a challenge worldwide, and Mozambique is not an exception.

5. Nevertheless, the country has made considerable progress in some SDGs, such as Goals 4,5,6,8,12,13, and 14. We appreciate the support of the UN development system in this regard, as Mozambique is among the 42 largest programme countries that accounted for 83 per cent of all developing system spending, according to the 2025 Report of the Secretary General.
6. Although the SDG 16 is not part of the aforementioned list, it is not by coincidence that it is rated among the top three SDGs receiving funding from the Government.
7. This reflects the utmost priority Mozambique attaches to peacebuilding in the context of our nation-building challenges and the recognition of the interconnectivity of all the 17 SDGs.

8. Therefore, as a beneficiary country, Mozambique would like to highlight the critical role of the Peacebuilding Fund, as the UN's leading instrument, in conflict prevention and peacebuilding.

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9. We welcome the UN80 initiative, which offers renewed opportunities for the repositioning of the UN development architecture.
10. This process has the potential to contribute to finding better and innovative responses to the needs of countries in complex settings, as in Mozambique's case. This process must be people-centered and Member State-driven, avoiding a one-size-fits-all approach.
11. In addition, we are of the view that there's a need for scaling up funding through predictable, adequate, diversified, and resilient financing to

support the UN operational activities for
development.

I thank you.