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Mr. Chair, Mr. President,

Mr. Secretary General,

Indonesia aligns with the statement delivered by the Republic of Guinea on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

We join delegations in thanking the Secretary-General for preparing a thorough and detailed set of reports for our discussion today.

Allow me to highlight some pertinent points:

FIRST, for countries to tackle the profound consequences of the pandemic, a comprehensive multilateral response that mobilizes coherent and concrete support for attainment of SDGs and recovery is imperative.

The UN Development System has demonstrated its capabilities by repurposing its programme and funds to support countries in the wake of the pandemic through mobilizing the reinvigorated UN Resident Coordinator System.

For that reason, Indonesia believes the pandemic can be a watershed moment to further strengthen the coherence and concrete delivery of the UN Development System on the ground.

We need to elevate the system's work by enhancing delivery in the recovery process in order to accelerate the achievement of countries' SDGs target.

This includes support to revive countries' productive sectors to spur economic growth and create jobs, and help them in attaining their respective sustainable and green growth target.

SECOND, we need to follow-up some of the findings of the SG Report.

One of the biggest steps that has to be taken by the UNDS moving forward is to enhance its role in mobilizing partnerships, including through a common partnerships approach across its entities.

We take note that UNDS has successful cases in generating partnerships, including with the Bretton Woods Institute, international financial institutions and private sectors. This needs to be further upscaled and replicated toward mobilizing adequate resources to support the SDGs implementation.

Furthermore, the report has shown that both core and non-core funding is yet to be fully aligned with the program country's development needs and priorities. While recalibration is needed, we also have to ensure that core funding is further strengthened in order that the UNDS can respond more nimbly in any future uncertainties.

LASTLY, allow me to close this intervention by seeking your view and information on the possibilities to further calibrate the UNCT configuration and the UNRC to better reflect the current realities on the ground among others through the adjustment of their respective host country agreements.

I thank you.