

**Group of 77 and China's
Draft Statement at Session 2: UNSDG Chair Report on DCO
Tuesday, 17 May 2022, ECOSOC Chamber**

Madam Vice-President:

1. I have the honour to deliver this statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.
2. We thank the Deputy Secretary General (DSG) for her presentation on the report on the DCO and its accompanying documents, in her capacity as Co-Chair of the UNSDG.
3. We wish to take this opportunity to thank ASG Robert Piper for his work dedication, commitment, and hard work.

Madam Vice President,

4. The Group wishes to take note of all the reports, annexes and addendums prepared for our consideration during the ECOSOC-OAS session.
5. However, we would like to register our regret at the tardiness of the dissemination of these documents, which did not provide us with enough time necessary to properly review and analyse them.
6. We are hopeful that we would be provided an opportunity in the very near future to receive a presentation or briefing, so that we can properly engage on the contents of these documents.

Madam Vice President,

7. We would however like to make the following initial comments on annex 2 of the report on the RC system Results Framework:
8. **First**, we strongly believe that the RC system Results Framework must be responsive to the Secretary-General's proposals for a reinvigorated RC system along with its objectives and outcomes, and should be further guided by the mandates to the system contained in the QCPR.
9. **Second**, the Framework should give an accounting for the estimated budget of US\$281 million providing the results from all the actors who are funded through this means.

10. **Third**, there seems to be a conflating of the reinvigorated RC system with the UNCT and UN entities. There should be better differentiation of the results of the RCs, UNCT, DCO, etc.
11. **Fourth**, we note that the results framework is mainly based on perception, which is very similar to the assessment based on the data collected through questionnaire in previous years. In this regard, we reaffirm the necessity to include performance indicators in the framework, which could reflect the contribution of RC system in helping program countries to implement the 2030 Agenda.
12. The goals and targets of SDGs could work as a perfect reference. For example, in line with target 1.1, the indicator could be the reduced number of people living in extreme poverty. Also, the number of development programs conducted could also be a practical indicator.
13. **Fifth**, Outcome 3.3 entitled *Common UN approaches are facilitated to foster agile business operations and efficiencies across the UN system*, seems to be a good example where outcomes are captured in the outputs and indicators provided.
14. However, on the other hand in other areas the indicators do not seem to advance the objectives and outcomes. In addition, in 2.1.2 and 3.4, respectively, there is a great deal of cherry picking when it comes to the indicators. The focus on sustainable development and eradication of poverty as an overarching objective is obviously missing in this framework.
15. We believe the bars for the outcomes, objectives and indicators could be lifted further to more ambitious levels.
16. We expect RCs to be transparent and fully accountable to the host national government. This includes effective and timely reporting from RC and UN Country Team (UNCT) to the host government.
17. We look forward to hearing others' views on the Results Framework during this session and we further request the opportunity to engage at a later stage.

18. Once again, many thanks for the reports and accompanying documents, and as always please note that you can count on the Group of 77 and China constructive engagement, as we try to ensure transparency and accountability of the system, which we believe can enhance opportunities to enhance investment in the system.

I thank you.