United Nations operational development activities segment
Theme: the new Resident Coordinator system after 16 months: successes and challenges in the United Nations country teams
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Madam Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations,
Mr. Vice-President of ECOSOC,
Excellencies, Dear Ambassadors,
Ladies and gentlemen,

Mister President,

At the outset, I would like to congratulate the President as well as the Vice-President of ECOSOC and the other members of the Bureau who were kind enough to plan and organize this series of meetings on the segment of operational activities for the development of ECOSOC, despite the difficulties associated with the Covid-19 pandemic.

My delegation endorses the statements made by the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, on behalf of the Group of 77 plus China and Belize, on behalf of AOSIS, respectively, at the opening session.

I thank Ms. Amina MOHAMMED, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations and the speakers from both panels for their complete and comprehensive presentations, as well as the moderator for the quality of the debates.

Mister President,


The said Report highlights other among things, inter alia, on the basis of relevant inquiries by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the consolidation of the reform process of the United Nations development system.

In this regard, it is encouraging to note the initiatives that have been taken by the United Nations system to support countries in their efforts to combat the COVID-19, and to stay focused on strategies to accelerate the achievement of sustainable development goals.

Mister President,

We have noted with satisfaction the work carried out by the United Nations Development Coordination Office, thanks to “New Generation” country teams that are more attentive to the needs and priorities of the countries.
This new dynamic is well in line with the need for a holistic approach to development and the collective action of States at all levels to adequately address the challenges facing the most vulnerable countries, in particular the PMA, SIDS and PDSL.

This operational segment of the ECOSOC gives us an exceptional opportunity to reflect together on ways and means, with a view to a global and integrated approach to development which emphasizes the correlations between all the objectives of the 2030 Agenda, including the need for inclusive and equitable quality education, the promotion of sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full productive employment and decent work for all, the reduction of inequalities within and between countries.

May these exchanges and discussions allow us to take stock of the concrete results of the United Nations system reform process and correct any shortcomings.

Mister President,

It should be highlighted that on the national level, the Republic of Haiti welcomed the 2030 agenda in September 2015 with the best interest and solemnly adhered to it, through the document entitled "Position of the Republic of Haiti" on the global agenda. This Document indicates “the country's long-term national development strategy.

With regard to the coordination mechanism, the process of national ownership of the sustainable development program is coordinated by an inter-ministerial group co-chaired by the Ministry of Planning and External Cooperation (MPCE) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MAE). This Group is made-up of all sectoral Ministries and is responsible for the implementation of the National Roadmap and works closely with the United Nations country team in Haiti.

All in all, financing for development has always been and remains today a primary concern for sustainable development. In this context, we keep in mind the statement of the Secretary General at the opening of the high-level meeting on financing for development in September 2019 "With adequate, predictable and sustainable funding, anything is possible”

Finally, my delegation therefore calls for greater mobilization of the international community with a view to further speeding up the process of monitoring financing for development, as well as the results of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields, which are linked to the financing for development

Thank you.