

ECOSOC Operational Activities Segment 2020
Morocco's intervention
Interactive Dialogue with UN Secretary General
19 may 2020

Madame President,
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- I would like to join other delegations and commend Mr. Secretary General for the comprehensive Report on the implementation of QCPR Resolution. We also thank the Chair of UNDSG for its Report on the activities of the Development Coordination Office (DCO).
- **We are meeting today under extraordinary circumsrance. As the whole world is facing an unprecedented crisis, our Support and Engagement towards the Repositioning of the United Nations Development System, is more than necessary.**
- I would like to make the brief following points in my national capacity:
 - 1- **We support the point made by the Secretary General in his Report on the need for a coherent UN Response to face the COVID-19 Pandemic.** The Repositioning of the UNDS came already with a paradigm shift that put coherence, efficiency and a stronger UN presence on the ground, at its heart. **Thus, we have a momentum to build on and a test to pass.**
 - 2- **The progress realised in terms of the implementation of the resolution 72/279 is promising.** We've seen the operationalisaiton of **the new Resident Coordinator System** and the configuration of the **new country teams, both of them** are today at the frontline of the UN response to the pandemic. **The funding compact** is indeed a corner stone of moving towards a predictable and durable funding sustainable development.

In this regard, we expect that the System will catalyze this progress in order to assist program countries in their efforts to strengthen the healthcare and service systems, education and job skilling tools, economic recovery and resilience strategies.
 - 3- We commend the role played by the UN Regional Commissions, among them The Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA). **We expect that the regional review will be directed towards strengthening the regional dimension and enhancing it to serve the development process in all our regions.**
- **I want to conclude by expressing our appreciation to the Deputy Secretary General and her team for the briefings and updates provided to Member States on the regional approach and MCOs.**
- **We look forward to the consultations and substantive discussions to be held during this week, and you can count on our constructive engagement in the process of conclusion of the remaning mandates of the UNDS.**