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Madam President,

At the outset, I would like to commend your efforts in organizing this important segment of the Economic and Social Council. My delegation associates itself with the statements delivered by Palestine on behalf of the Group of 77 and China. I would now like to deliver few remarks in my national capacity.

1. In order to achieve the 2030 agenda in fragile and conflict situations we must focus our efforts on bringing the humanitarian, development, and peace dimensions of our work closer together through the repositioning of UN Development System and its implementation. This is the only way we can achieve a whole-of-system approach, critically needed in countries implementing the 2030 Agenda while faced with humanitarian crises and/or conflict. In this regard, we commend Secretary General for his efforts on establishing of the Joint Steering Committee for advancing Humanitarian and Development Collaboration in addition to supporting the UN country team on the ground it will also accelerate the implementation of SDGs in countries with humanitarian crisis or/and conflict.
2. We believe that a revamped regional approach should be one of the main outcomes of the reform of the UN development system. Receiving tailored support in the field of regional connectivity and regional economic cooperation is vital for countries in special situations, in particular LDCs and LLDCs. It is important that the UN system steps up its capabilities in aligning its activities at the regional level with countries' priorities and needs. Also we believe that a repositioned Regional Economic Commissions with coordination of other regional platforms will accelerate and support the implementation of SDGs at the national level with consideration of countries needs and priorities.
3. The separation of the functions of RC and Resident Representative of UNDP, as agreed in the resolution 72/279, should enable the new Resident Representative

of UNDP to bring reforms on the ground and support the implementation of the 2030 agenda in order to reduce poverty. On the other hand, a reinvigorated RC system needs sustainable funding over the coming years to fulfill its responsibility and support implementation of the 2030 agenda.

Madam President,

In conclusion, let me reassure you of my delegation's commitment and continued constructive engagement in the reform process.

I thank you.