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STATEMENT

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Distinguished Co-Facilitators,

The Philippines aligns itself with the statement of the representative of South Africa on behalf of the G 77 and China.

Indeed, through your commendable steering of this intergovernmental process, we have reached a critical stage in the negotiations. We welcome the zero draft of the outcome document as it signals a turning point in our quest to deliver a development agenda that is truly reflective of the aspirations of our peoples. We realize that it has not been easy as it involves striking a delicate balance among the contributions of members.

In general, the zero draft already incorporates the inputs that we have expressed since the start of the process in January 2015. It is reflective of the key development areas and concerns identified during our national consultations on the post-2015 development agenda. It is a good starting point to move the process forward.

Having said that, we want to add that, we:

- Emphasize the need for the draft to reflect a multi-dimensional approach to poverty;
- Express support for the language on and inclusion of gender equality, the empowerment of women and girls, and the full realization of their human rights, which are essential to the realization of the Agenda;
- Ask that the language on migration and migrants reflect the positive effects and benefits of migration, migrants and their families; and
- Lastly, maintain that the outcome of the FFD negotiations should complement and reinforce and not to supplant our discussions on Goal 17 and the MOI as they relate to finance.

We will give more detailed comments as we go through the rest of the sections of the zero draft during the week.

Thank you, Co-Facilitators