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STATEMENT

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CLUSTER 7

MEANS OF IMPLEMENTATION/GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP
FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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Mr. Co-chair,

I wish to deliver this statement on behalf of the Southern Africa Region namely; Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Swaziland, South Africa, Zimbabwe and my own Country Zambia on means of implementation/global partnership for sustainable development. My delegation aligns this statement with the statements made on behalf of the Group of 77 and China and the statement for the Africa group .

Mr. Co-Chair

While we are attempting to put in place goals that are universal but differentiated according to a country's capacity and level of development, limited in number, clear and easy to communicate, the mechanism for effective means of implementation must be very clear from inception. Financial, technical and other required resources must be made available at the time they are required. This is why the Southern Africa Region supports the idea of exploring new innovative finance mechanisms and scaling up the existing ones.

Mr. Co-Chair,

It is also important to encourage South-South cooperation without neglecting North-South cooperation both of which are necessary for accelerated development particularly for the developing countries.

We therefore propose the following targets;

- a) Provide timely financial and technical support
- b) Establish new innovative finance Mechanism and scale up existing ones
- c) Improve Market access and remove prohibitive tariffs that stifle competitive trading
- d) Improve resource mobilization for financing development
- e) Enhance debt sustainability
- f) Encourage transfer of appropriate technologies to needy countries
- g) Strengthen Monitoring and evaluation systems

In Conclusion, the region stresses the need to establish new global partnership that embraces fairness and mutual accountability.

I thank you.