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Thank you, Mr. Co-Facilitator, for giving me the floor.

I would first like to commend your leadership and hard work throughout this week.

To begin with, I wish to comment on the proposal for the joint session program circulated last night. My delegation is of the view that important means of implementation issues including both financial and non-financial MOIs should be resolved mainly at the Addis Ababa Conference in July in a comprehensive and integrated manner, and then they should be properly incorporated into the outcome document of the post-2015 development agenda in order to maximize synergies between the two processes.

In this regard, we are mostly supportive of the proposed program as it seems to be drafted in such a way to minimize overlapping and duplication of the work in two tracks.

However, we are not fully convinced if this group needs to spend one morning session discussing the outstanding issues of Financing for Development negotiations. Bearing in mind what the distinguished representative of the Maldives said this morning

about the sessions being too exciting, we are concerned that this session of outstanding issues may turn out to be another very exciting session rather than a predictable one. Our view is that a half-hour debriefing should be sufficient. Instead, we would like to suggest that we spend more time on discussing global partnership, as Japan suggested, and follow-up and review which should deserve more attention.

Now, with your kind indulgence, I wish to make one quick comment regarding the themes for interactive dialogues at the September Summit.

Korea is of the view that the interactive sessions will have to be organized so that they reflect all the three dimensions of SDGs in a balanced manner and capture headline messages for our ambitious and transformative agenda.

In this regard, we are generally supportive of the circulated themes as they are. In particular, although we are aware that the Co-Facilitators and some other delegations indicated an appetite for focusing on more substantive issues, we would still like to express our support for maintaining the last item on the list which is reviewing the progress on SDG commitments. We think considering the importance of implementation and review mechanism, this issue should be given sufficient attention by our leaders.

I will stop here. Thank you. /END/