

Distinguished Co-facilitators,

Je voudrais prendre un moment pour souligner la perte tragique de notre collègue et ami en la personne de Son Excellence M. Roble Olhaye, Représentant permanent de la Mission de Djibouti auprès des Nations Unies. Je voudrais en outre exprimer nos condoléances les plus attristées à la famille éprouvée ainsi qu'à tous les membres de la délégation djiboutienne.

Enfin, je tiens à réitérer que le Rwanda lui voue une reconnaissance sans égales pour sa contribution lors de nos commémorations de génocide, compte tenu du fait qu'il exerçait déjà ses fonctions au sein des Nations Unies au moment où ce génocide a été perpétré contre le Tutsi au Rwanda.

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With regards to our discussion here today, Rwanda aligns itself fully with the statements delivered by South Africa, Zambia, Benin on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the LLDCs and the LDCs respectively.

At the outset, Rwanda welcomes the Addis Ababa Action Agenda and in that regard thanks the co—facilitators, Ambassadors of Norway and of Guyana for their tremendous efforts that led to the adoption of the Addis Ababa outcome. I would like to take this opportunity to emphasize that my delegation fully believes that the Addis Ababa Action Agenda should complement the implementation of the Post 2015 agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals as stated in paragraph 19 of the AAAA. Therefore, we do not support the mere annexing of this agenda but rather militate for its full integration in Chapter

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There is no doubt that achieving sustainable development goal will require adequate and predictable means of implementation, an enabling environment

as well as access to technology transfer and capacity building in important sectors. Implementation must be carried out through coordinated efforts from the local to the international level to enable full ownership of the agenda by each member state. And while we all hold the universal ambitions of this agenda, let's acknowledge at the same time our different national realities, capacities and levels of development. We would therefore like to reiterate the importance of the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities (CBDR) as the basis for our global partnership in development.

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Drawing from lessons learned in the implementation of the MDGs, we note that Rwanda was able to lift one million people out of poverty in a span of only five years. Such an achievement, however, was made possible through ensuring security, inclusivity, good governance and international cooperation as prerequisites. Furthermore, Rwanda utilized ODA in a catalytic way in order to build our institutions and provide basic services to our population. There is therefore no doubt that global partnership is the cornerstone of international development, and so it is in this regard that we call on developed countries to honor their commitments.

In that respect, we are also convinced that the private sector will also continue to play a critical role in the implementation of the Post 2015 agenda. In this regard, Rwanda would like to stress the need to assist the private sector in building its capacity through appropriate financing mechanism and innovative financing tools to allow countries, such as mine, to access and develop capital markets.

Furthermore, supporting resource mobilization for the nascent private sector in developing countries is the ultimate solution to generate new money for sustainable development. This would be critical in undertaking large investments in vital sectors such as infrastructure development, energy generation and job rich inclusive industrialization.

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Rwanda is also of the view that the reaffirmation of our support for the outcomes stated in paragraph 34 namely Agenda 2063 and its continental programs such as NEPAD, should be also equally reflected in this section. After all, the outcomes noted in paragraph 34 enjoy reciprocity in support to the Post 2015 Development Agenda, and the ambition of this agenda require special focus on the countries in special situations

**Finally, Co-facilitators,**

My delegation would like to assure you once again of our readiness to continue to engage in this process constructively in an effort to meet the deadline set for this exercise.

I thank you for your kind attention.