

Thank you, Chair, for the opportunity to contribute to the discussion.

Ghana associates herself with the statements on good governance made on behalf of the G77 and China, as well as other delegations, relating to the mining sector.

Governance issues are very significant and their adoption and application need to be promoted. However, different strategies are used to deal with this all important issues relating to transparency and mutual accountability. There is no yardstick to measure strategies dealing with governance issues, globally in a forum like this.

We will therefore like to question whether it will not be useful at this stage for the UN to commit to providing guidelines for all countries to develop strategies to ensure good governance?

Finally, Ghana believes that, we need to move a step further to ensure that issues raised and discussed at such fora are implemented.

Thank you, Madam chair.

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