



STATEMENT
by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan
on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement
during the second intersessional meeting for dialogue and cooperation on
human rights and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Geneva, 3 December 2019

Thank you, Mr. Chair,

1. I have the honor to deliver this statement on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Member States.
2. The Non-Aligned Movement welcomes holding the second intersessional meeting for dialogue and cooperation on human rights and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development devoted to the theme of “Decade of Action and Delivery of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda”
3. In the Final Outcome Document of the 18th Summit of the Non-Aligned Movement held this year in Baku, Azerbaijan, Heads of State and Government of the NAM reaffirmed their commitment to the promotion and protection of all human rights without discrimination and underlined that democracy, sustainable development and the respect of all human rights, civil and political; economic, social and cultural rights, in their universal, indivisible and interdependent character, including the right to development, are all closely related and mutually reinforcing.
4. The Non-Aligned Movement believes that the right to development should be central to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and in this vein, urges all UN Member States to pay particular attention to the right to development in the context of the elaboration of their national policies in line with the 2030 Agenda.
5. At the same time, we call upon the United Nations, its specialized agencies, funds and programs to mainstream the right to development in their policies and operational activities, as well as in policies and strategies of the international financial and multilateral trading system.

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6. After four years of the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in spite of significant effort being exerted on implementing the Agenda, the pace

of implementation is still quite distant from achieving sustainable development for all, in particular for the poorest and most vulnerable.

7. In this regard, the Non-Aligned Movement underscores the central role of the global partnership for development and the importance of providing the necessary means of implementation for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and calls on the international community to intensify its efforts to provide enhanced means of implementation to the developing countries through a strengthened global partnership in the collective quest to eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions.
8. The Non Aligned Movement calls for coordination and sharing of experience among nations that can boost the capacity of countries to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. In this regard, we recall with appreciation the regional SDG coordination leaders Forum on “Building a Partnership to Underpin National Sustainable Development Solutions” held in Minsk, Belarus, in February 2018, the Third Forum of the Latin American and Caribbean Countries on Sustainable Development, held in Santiago, Chile, in April 2019, and the fifth session of the African regional forum on sustainable development, held in Marrakech, Morocco, in April 2019.
9. The Non Aligned Movement reaffirms the importance of the inclusion of youth in the process of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the SDGs, and National Development Policies.
10. In conclusion, the Non-Aligned Movement reiterates the continued unwavering commitment of its Member States to further translating ambitions set out in the 2030 Agenda into real actions.