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Mr. Vice-President,

I have the honour to deliver this statement on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

NAM welcomes the presentation of the report by the Special Rapporteur on the right to development, Mr. Saad Alfarargi, and expresses the most unrestricted support to the fulfillment of his mandate.

NAM reaffirms that all human rights, including the right to development, are universal, inalienable, indivisible, interdependent and interrelated and stresses that the Human Rights Council should provide equal treatment to both civil and political rights and economic, social and cultural rights, as well as the right to development.

The Movement reiterates, once again, the urgent need to make the right to development as a reality for everyone. Stressing that the elaboration of a legal instrument is essential and urgent to ensure the realization of this right, NAM takes note with appreciation of the submission of the draft legally binding instrument on the right to development with commentaries by the Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on the Right to Development.

NAM stresses the importance of constructive engagement at the upcoming session of the Working Group on the Right to Development, which will consider the draft legally binding instrument.

NAM also welcomes the appointment of the members of the Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development and its first report, and requests the mechanism to pay particular attention to the international dimension of the right to development, and

how this aspect will make effective the practical implementation of the right to development at international, regional and national levels.

NAM encourages the UN human rights system to contribute further to the work of the Working Group on the Right to Development, and to cooperate with the Special Rapporteur and the Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development in the fulfilment of their mandates with regard to the promotion and implementation of the right to development.

Mr. Vice-President,

NAM also welcomes the appointment of Ms. Alena Douhan as the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights and wishes her success in the fulfillment of her mandate.

NAM welcomes the presentation of the first report by the Special Rapporteur on current developments and challenges in the application of unilateral sanctions, in which she reaffirms the large array of challenges that unilateral coercive measures pose to international relations, the legal order, the rule of law and the whole system of human rights.

The Movement supports her mandate and believes that the Human Rights Council will extend it for a period of three years at the current Session.

Finally, NAM reaffirms that human rights issues must be addressed within the global context through a constructive, non-confrontational, non-politicized and non-selective dialogue-based approach, in a fair and equal manner, with objectivity, respect for national sovereignty and territorial integrity, non-interference in the internal affairs of States, impartiality, non-selectivity and transparency as the guiding principles, taking into account the political, historical, social, religious and cultural particularities of each country.

Thank you.