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INTERVENTION OF THE MINISTER

Thank's the chair for the good management of this meeting imposed to us. Thank's for all for this morning session presentations.

1. On financial matters presentation,

Given that the organization is facing major financial concerns, despite the negative impact of Coronavirus pandemic, Cameroon in the context of its various activities carried out or in progress with UN-Habitat contributes among others on:

- The National Urban Policy, being completed;
- The planning study for the Urban Corridor of the Yaoundé-Nsimalen (Motorway, underway, highway);
- The Headquarters Agreement on the opening of a National Office of UN-Habitat in Cameroon;
- The Participatory Slum Improvement Program (PPAB) phase 1 and 2, as well as phase 3 in preparation;
- The Energy Efficiency Code in construction of the buildings, the publication and transmission of the final report of which remains awaited;
- The implementation of the inclusive and integrated development project for urban and rural areas in Africa (Rural Linkage Urban Project);
- The establishment of the Regional Center of Excellence for Sustainable Urban Development (CREDUDA) in Yaoundé;
- The formulation of a national health and sustainable waste management program;

- Nexus program (humanitarian-development-peace) in the localities of Fotokol and Zamai (Mokolo) in the Far North of Cameroon, etc. ;

Yes, my dear sister ED Maimouna ! If we want to achieve SDG 2030 and implementation of NUA, we should support UN-HABITAT financialy.

2. <u>On the Headquarters Agreement of UN-Habitat in</u> <u>Cameroon</u>,

Cameroon is ready to host the Sub-regional Office for Central Africa, with in particular the expectation of the signing of the Headquarters Agreement, for which our country has already initiated all the procedures under its responsibility, through the Very High Agreement of the Head of State. We will be great if we could sign this agreement during World Habitat Day un 5th october 2020.

3. <u>On the subject of World Habitat Day 2019 and World Habitat</u> <u>Day 2020 in preparation</u>

I really want to thank one more time the secretariat for wonderfull organisation of the session. I will like to support Africa Group Position, to congratulate the ED for the governances, the founds mobilization meeting during the WUF 10. But I want to call Mrs ED to do more advocacy to mobilize more ressources from members states, private sectos and others donnors to support the capacity of UN-HABITAT to achieve the important program of changing the cities through restructuring, renovation, slum upgrading and producting decent and affordable housings for our population, in order to be ready for the evaluation 2030

Cameroon is grateful for the deployment of the Executive Secretariat during the National celebration of World Habitat Day 2019 and once again congratulates the support of UN-Habitat in the preparation of the ongoing WHD 2020. Which has been launched at date in Yaounde and Douala

4. On the implementation of the Work Program

We recognize the efforts under way within UN-Habitat to establish a structured approach for the selection of future host countries. Cameroon is committed to working alongside UN-Habitat for the successful scaling up of is future multi-country offices.

5. <u>On the question of the renewal of the Office of the Executive</u> <u>Council,</u>

I thank the States that were in the office and express our satisfaction for the work accomplished.

The Africa Group will occupy the post of Vice-President of the Executive Council and it is Egypt which will represent Africa, in accordance with the decision of the Ministers at the first session of the Council. Cameroon renews its support to Egypt in this direction.