

**United Nations Human Settlements Programme  
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Dear Madame Executive Director,  
Dear Chair of the Executive Board,  
Excellencies,  
Colleagues,  
Ladies and gentlemen,

1. It is my honor to provide this statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.
2. From the outset, the Group wishes to reiterate its support to the Executive Director, the Secretariat, and all UN-Habitat staff for the hard work towards this meeting and for having prepared all the working documents in due course.
3. The Group wants to highlight the importance of this Programme for accomplishing SDG11 and its targets, among other crosscutting goals spread out in different MEAS.
4. G77 and China congratulate member states that have contributed through non-earmarked contributions and recall the importance of ensuring adequate funding for the delivery of the Programme's core mandate and function.
5. The Group reiterates the importance of taking concrete action for the full, effective and timely implementation of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat while urging developed countries and traditional donors to increase support for its adequate performance.
6. The Group welcomes the efforts for the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy and recalls that Member States bear common but differentiated responsibilities, as enshrined in Principle 7 of the Rio Declaration, and adds that, within our respective capabilities, we are all expected to do our utmost to achieve full Implementation of the 2030 Agenda.
7. The G77 and China is committed to strengthening the Program and its governance structures. Since its adoption in 2018, this three-tier structure has served the interest of all member states allowing us to exercise our oversight role better and strengthen the accountability and transparency of UN-Habitat. In preparation for the second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly, the Group considers it strategic to convene more informal meetings of the Committee of Permanent Representatives before the open-ended meeting of the CPR.
8. The Group takes note of the report on the implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including the programmatic activities, the implementation of subprogrammes, flagship programs, and technical cooperation activities.
9. The Group welcomes the proposed approach for this Executive Board, consisting in opening a space for local authorities to share with us their views and remarks about their work with

UN-Habitat. This approach will give us inputs to also measure the impact of the activities of UN-Habitat on the ground.

I thank you, Mr. Chair.