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Mr. Chair,
Madam Executive Director
Excellencies,

Nigeria appreciates the efforts of the secretariat and Member-States to develop a generally agreeable draft outcome.

We acknowledge the efforts of Member-States to be flexible and come to a reasonable compromise that it is relatively acceptable to all in regards to the implementation of UN-Habitat's 2026-2029 strategic plan.

We appreciate the Executive Director's will to be flexible enough to effectively use the confidence placed in her office to serve the need and request of Member-States.

Nigeria initially was not comfortable with any kind of abolishment of the scalability model especially in the interest of the African Continent. We however welcome the recent comprehensive explanation and clarification from the Executive Director and the secretariat on the way forward in favor of the latest strategic plan.

In view of the above/this point we encourage Madam Executive director and the secretariat not to relent in always carrying Member-States along especially on very sensitive decision by giving timely updates that create a general understanding that should extensively satisfy possible questions.

Finally, Nigeria reiterates its support for the work of UN-Habitat in Nigeria and we will continue to show our support for Madam Executive director as she works with Member-States to promote the interest of the organization.

Thank you.