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Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates and Colleagues,

It is my honor and privilege to join the High-Level Political Forum 2022 on Sustainable Development, bringing political leaders together around the world and allowing us to learn from other countries' good experiences and solutions towards sustainable development.

In 2019, Mongolia introduced its first Voluntary National Report which identified sustainable development challenges including incoherence between development policies, weak institutional planning framework, low multi-stakeholder participation and partnership, weak institutional capability.

In spite of that, I am pleased to underline that during the last 3 years while we were facing difficulties due to COVID-19 pandemic, Mongolia has achieved certain ways forward to tackle these challenges.

Firstly, in 2021, a policy legal framework has established to ensure cohesion of long, medium, and short-term development policies.

Secondly, from the beginning of 2022, the Ministry of Economy and Development has started its operation to manage the development policy and planning activities at national, regional and local level.

Thirdly, the Multi-Stakeholder Council for Sustainable Development was established under the Parliament of Mongolia. This council will serve as a platform for representatives from public sector, NGOs, civil society, research institution, and international organizations to monitor and accelerate its implementation.

It is worth noting that these achievements were results of multilateral cooperation and participation of every citizen.

Mongolia is one of the first countries to make a commitment to implement the Sustainable Development Goals, we will continue to improve our progress, and work hard to achieve the goals set by 2030. We do look forward to our participation in this High-Level Political Forum and hope it will be a great opportunity to learn the achievements and experiences of other countries.

On behalf of the Government of Mongolia, I wish success to Voluntary National Report presenting countries and all representatives participating in the High-Level Political Forum 2022.

Thank you for your attention.