

Madam President, (Ms. Lachezara Stoeva – Лачезара Стоева)
Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

First of all, I would like to thank you for organizing this event.

Since Kazakhstan's accession to the UN, we are following the Charter and striving to make a worthy contribution to the policies and activities of the Organization, especially Agenda 2030 as a global strategy combining social, economic and environmental issues.

All the SDGs **fully agree** with Kazakhstan's socio-economic priorities, we have **envisaged** the Goals in **our state planning system** by also developing **more than 260 our own national indicators**.

Regional cooperation has always been one of our main priorities, based on the principles of effective partnership and mutual benefit.

President Tokayev proposed to open the UN Regional Center on Sustainable Development Goals for Central Asia and Afghanistan in Almaty.

Today our country has a new model of economic development resistant to climate change.

International climate agreements and strengthening partnerships are the pivotal steps for Kazakhstan to enhance and implement effective joint measures. Our **2060 National Strategy for Achieving Carbon Neutrality**, adopted in February this year, aims to reduce our carbon footprint and reap benefits of a sustainable strong economy, improved public health and reduced climate risks.

The transition to sustainable development is crucial for Kazakhstan. Last year, we presented our second **Voluntary National Review** at the High-Level Political Forum here, which was highly commended by the community.

A new environmental code in accordance with international standards was approved.

These measures will ensure the fulfillment of the obligations of the **Paris Agreement** by 2030.

Today, Kazakhstan continues to work on developing an inclusive society and infrastructure, addressing systemic issues of inequality, strengthening measures to protect human and children's rights, and invigorating the relevant institutional framework.

Dear colleagues, I am confident that we will **continue our fruitful cooperation** and **productively achieve our goals** towards a prosperous and thriving future.