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**STATEMENT**

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**Excellencies;  
Distinguished Participants;  
Ladies and Gentlemen,**

I bring you greetings from H.E. President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni President of the Republic of Uganda and the people of Uganda.

It is an honour to address this High-Level Segment as we mark 80 years of the United Nations a moment not only for reflection but for urgency and ambition in addressing the global challenges. We must reaffirm and strengthen the role of ECOSOC in development as a core pillar of a revitalized, inclusive, and effective multilateral system.

As Chair of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development, I echo the continent's call for a system that is not rules-based, but responsive to address deep structural vulnerabilities and supports tailored, transformative solutions. Uganda looks forward to constructively engage in the discussions on the Secretary-General's UN80 Initiative and the review of ECOSOC and the HLPF

Africa's story is not one of challenges alone, but of immense potential of young populations, green energy prospects, and critical minerals for global transitions. What we require is the systemic support to translate these opportunities into prosperity for all.

Uganda is making tangible progress on SDGs. We have surpassed 90% in immunization coverage (SDG 3), achieved over 34% women representation in Parliament (SDG 5), and attained 6.3% GDP growth this year (SDG 8). We have restored fish stocks (SDG 14), and built strong SDG coordination through our Secretariat (SDG 17). These efforts are guided by our 10-Point Strategy and 4 ATMS which include Agro-industrialization, Tourism, Minerals and Oil and Gas, and Science, Technology and Innovation to spur inclusive growth and job creation.

Regional Commissions like ECA play a unique and strategic role. They offer integrated policy advice, regional public goods, and help connect local realities to global agendas. Through ECA's support, Uganda pioneered the alignment of our national and local reviews with global SDGs and Agenda 2063.

I also underscore the importance of strong UN Resident Coordinator System, working in synergy with Regional Commissions for greater coherence and effectiveness.

Excellencies, the multilateral system must evolve to deliver hope and results on the ground. We must ensure Africa is actively involved in shaping the global agenda.

**Thank you.**