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STATEMENT BY FINLAND

FOLLOW-UP AND REVIEW

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Thank you, Co-facilitators.

Finland aligns its statement with the statement made by the EU. Since the EU statement was strong, long and detailed, we only want to make a few brief comments in our national capacity.

We need a robust, effective, inclusive, gender-sensitive and transparent follow-up and review framework including monitoring and accountability. It must cover both the Addis Abeba Action Agenda and our 2030 Global Action Agenda to track progress in their implementation in a meaningful and integrated way.

All levels – national, regional and global – will be important in the follow-up and review with the participation of all stakeholders. We hope that there will be active interaction between these levels. We must get maximum results from each level to benefit the other and in the end the global implementation of both Agendas and their impact on sustainable development worldwide. It is equally important to identify where the gaps lie and focus more attention to them.

A very important part of the follow-up and review process is the development of indicators at different levels starting with the global set of indicators. This work is trusted to the UN Statistical Commission as an expert body. We fully support this

and also that it will complete its work by March 2016, but indicators should evolve in the future. This work should then be adopted according to the normal UN procedures for the work of the Statistical Commission. Thus we don't find it necessary to go into the details of mentioning the ECOSOC and the General Assembly in paragraph 58.

The HLPF has an important role, as we have stated many times before, in the follow up and review of the two Agendas. We hope that its work in this respect will be organized as soon as possible, so that it will be able to effectively and efficiently start to implement the role trusted to it. A proposal to this effect from the Secretary-General would be welcome.

We also would like to reiterate the new paragraph, proposed by the EU, on the call to the UN General Assembly and ECOSOC and their subsidiary bodies and specialized agencies to take all necessary measures required for the effective, comprehensive and timely implementation, follow-up and review of these two Agendas.

Thank you, Co-facilitators.