

STATEMENT OF MEXICO AT THE FIRST INFORMAL CONSULTATION ON THE MINISTERIAL DECLARATION FO THE HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM 2024

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Thank you co-facilitators,

Mexico appreciates this first informal consultation. As we know, we are halfway to 2030, but not halfway there. We are getting closer and closer to the deadline and the lack of progress that has been documented is worrying, such as the fact that, at the rate we are going, only 15% of the SDG targets will be met. It is therefore imperative that countries recognize their historical responsibility through the execution of comprehensive efforts, and consider concrete means of implementation considering our different capacities.

We have an urgent need to implement the Addis Ababa Action Agenda on financing for development and to have prevention plans in the face of the growing risks to the three dimensions of sustainable development that put human existence and our livelihoods at risk, such as: high levels of debt, the increase in the number of people living in poverty, the emergence of new pandemics, climate change, among others.

To do achieve this, Mexico is a firm believer in granting access to additional financial resources to developing countries in order to direct resources to achieve the SDGs, in a targeted and strategic way and according to the needs of each country, and to have a process of reform of the international financial architecture that includes these countries in its decision-making and in the different financial mechanisms of international financial institutions.

Co-facilitators,

With respect to the priority actions and investment pathways needed to support the effective delivery of solutions to reinforce the 2030 Agenda, we share that Mexico has a comprehensive model of sustainable development



that promotes the well-being of all people, with a focus on eliminating poverty in all its forms and dimensions.

The guiding principle of our strategy is the motto "leave no one behind, leave no one out". Therefore, we believe that, in the accelerating actions, the inclusion of youth, the strengthening of the localization of the 2030 Agenda, financing for development, investment in quality education, the promotion of sustainable employment, the promotion of gender equality, among others, should be considered.

Co-facilitators,

As the membership is aware, Mexico has always pushed for a comprehensive review of the 2030 Agenda that avoids its fragmentation and strengthens its comprehensiveness. For us, it is essential that this shared principle is highlighted in the text, including in the review of the SDGs to be revised this year. Therefore, with regard to the priority actions needed to achieve Goals 1, 2, 13, 16 and 17, my delegation has the following observations.

Regarding SDG 1, Mexico considers that we need to generate conditions to ensure universal access to well-being and social protection and development, progressively guaranteeing effective access to social rights for the entire population, as well as correcting discriminatory practices that hinder access to a decent life for people in vulnerable situations.

With regard to SDG 2, we affirm that it is essential that, as an international community, we ensure food self-sufficiency and the strengthening of the countryside, given that hunger and severe malnutrition continue to be an obstacle to sustainable development.

Regarding SDG 13, we believe that the most efficient way to address climate change is to build synergies between the different agendas with a series of shared benefits for the design and implementation of climate policies.



In relation to SDG 16, Mexico considers that the implementation of the 2030 Agenda provides the key to understanding the direct correlation that exists between generating sustainable development for all societies and effectively preventing and eradicating problems such as crime, violence and corruption, so we must move from a public security policy based solely on a punitive, police and military approach to a preventive policy.

Finally, regarding SDG 17, we emphasize that it is necessary to establish partnerships and strengthen synergies in order to achieve the 2030 Agenda, since the generation of these not only allows us to create synergies around objectives, but also to share good practices and lessons learned in order to identify particularities and specific needs that allow us to strengthen collaboration.

Dear co-facilitators,

Count on Mexico to work constructively towards an agreement that advances the fulfillment of the 2030 Agenda as a whole.

Thank you.