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Mr. President,

Indonesia would like to align itself with the statement delivered by Ecuador on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

The deliberation of ECOSOC's operational activities for development provides a platform to launch the implementation of the 2016 QCPR resolution.

The 2016 QCPR is one of the most significant resolutions after the adoption of the 2030 Agenda that enables the UN to raise the level and quality of countries development efforts through the support of the UN system's operational activities.

Through the QCPR, Member States have a chance to provide the General Assembly better key system of wide policy orientation for development cooperation, which also needs to be translated into country-level modalities of the system.

Now that the QCPR resolution is in place, Indonesia looks forward to see a strengthened and more integrated UN development system in supporting developing countries in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and other internationally agreed agreements.

Mr. President,

As we move ahead, Indonesia would like to emphasize a number of points:

First, in line with the QCPR resolution, the functions of UN development system must be aligned with the 2030 Agenda as well as national development plans and priorities to strengthen national ownership and leadership at all stages.

Ultimately, the eradication of poverty in all its forms and dimensions is first and foremost the most urgent matter for the works of the UN development on the ground.

In this connection, silos and exclusive mentality must be eliminated from the UN development system's works.

While poverty remains a prevalent issue globally, every country's circumstance differs.

Thus, the UN development system's unique role as a neutral, objective, and trusted partner for all countries would be to recognize and meet the diverse needs and special challenges, particularly for countries in special situations.

Second, with the development challenges being ever more complex, enhanced coherence and efficiency of the UN development system is inevitable.

Depleting core funding should be addressed in a more innovative way with genuine partnership.

This means that there should be improved coordination on the ground to make use of each entity's comparative advantages and resources.

In this case, Indonesia looks forward to the UN Secretary-General's system wide mapping of existing capacities and expertise of all UN development system to identify gaps and reduce overlaps, as mandated by the QCPR.

Furthermore, the UN development system must be made accountable, transparent, and responsive for system-wide results.

There should be consideration on equitable geographical representation in the senior posts and Resident Coordinator system without hampering the merit system.

Third, countries require continuous capacity building, bearing in mind different development levels and realities on the ground.

Indonesia values South-South cooperation as a complement to North-South relations.

The United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation offers a viable and unique global forum for the exchange of South-South knowledge and experiences, including on issues of South-South conceptualization.

Mr. President,

Indonesia remains steadfast to continue its engagement in the operational activities for development of the UN development system in a constructive manner, including in the implementation of the 2016 QCPR.

We are confident that the deliberation in this segment will contribute to effective implementation of the QCPR resolution.

Thank you.