Follow-up on the decisions of the Twenty-second session of the Governing Council of UN-Habitat (HSP/CPR/33/3)

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Agenda Item 3:
Madam Chair,
Excellencies and Distinguished Delegates.

It is my pleasure to introduce Agenda Item 3:
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Madam Chair, with your permission, I would like to say that you and your colleagues from the capitals have every reason to congratulate yourselves on a good outcome of the 22nd session of the Governing Council. I would like to thank the Chair of the CPR, Ambassador Jacqueline Mendoza Fernandez of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and the members of the Bureau for their efforts in preparing the 4 resolutions that were tabled as pre-session documents, which enhanced the work of the drafting committee and allowed it to finish its work on time.

My sincere thanks also go to the President of the Governing Council Honourable Clifford Warmington and the Members of the Bureau for the very proficient manner in which the business of the Governing Council was executed, including the adoption of additional resolutions that were sponsored by Member States.

The Twenty-second session of the Governing Council serves as a signpost towards the Twenty-third session during which or before a couple of important reviews of our work will be made. Following this I will now focus in this statement on the Resolutions, which requires consultation or joint implementation with this Committee. These are:

1. Resolution 22/5 – Governance of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme
2. Resolution 22/7 – Work programme and Budget of the United Nations Human Settlements programme for the Biennium 2010-2011
3. Resolution 22/1 - - World Urban Forum

I am pleased to inform you that the proposals on the way forward with the implementation of these resolutions are contained in the “Note by the Secretariat” which has been circulated to you on 4 June 2009. We encourage you to provide feedback to the Secretariat on this proposal.

Further, apart from the resolutions mentioned above, the Secretariat of course considers the other 7 resolutions of equal importance and has made a broad outline of how it intends to go about their implementation. We may revert to you at any time in the course of implementation as you may also request information on any specific issues arising form any of the resolutions. In any case, the CPR will be kept informed of progress made with their implementation within the framework of our six monthly reports on the MTSIP.

I thank you Madam Chair.