DEVELOPMENTS AT THE 64TH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Preparations for the 64th session to the General Assembly

Excellencies,

I am pleased to introduce this agenda item on preparations for the 64th session of the General Assembly. The Second Committee began its consideration of our agenda item 54 entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)" on 03 November and concluded its general debate on 4 November 2009. The Second Committee had before it three documents:


The second document, ECOSOC E/2009/80 is the report of the Secretary-General on coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda, ECOSOC E/2009/80.


I had the honour to address the Second committee on considerable progress that has been made in terms of the strengthening of UN-HABITAT to coordinate and monitor the implementation of the Habitat Agenda. We have circulated my introductory statement to for your information.

In response to my introductory statement, I am pleased to inform you that supportive statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, Sweden, on behalf of the European Union, Indonesia, on behalf of the Association of South East Asian Nations, Antigua and Barbuda, on behalf of the Caribbean Community, Bahrain, Brazil, China, Ethiopia, India, Jamaica, Kenya, Nigeria and Singapore.

As a follow up, the representative of the Group of 77 and China, introduced draft resolution A/C.2/64/L.32 entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (HABITAT II) and the strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)" on 12 November 2009. The original draft resolution is distributed for your information. The seventh revised draft resolution is still under negotiation and it is expected that they will finalize their negotiations soon.