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STATEMENT BY H.E. MR. SUKHBOLD SUKHEE,
AMBASSADOR, PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF MONGOLIA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ON OBSERVER STATUS FOR INTERNATIONAL THINK TANK FOR LANDLOCKED
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

Mr. Chairman,

My delegation has the honor to introduce a draft resolution **A/C.6/73/L.8**, entitled: "Observer status for the International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries in the General Assembly". I wish to inform the Committee that co-sponsors of the draft resolution at this stage are as follows Afghanistan, Armenia, Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar, Nepal, Niger, Paraguay, Portugal, Tajikistan, Zambia and Sudan.

Mr. Chairman,

The International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries is an intergovernmental organization dedicated to providing sustainable solutions to landlocked developing countries for their special needs and challenges for future development. International Think Tank consists of 12 Member States from cross regional representatives.

We believe that granting an observer status to the International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries in the General Assembly would help it to engage more efficiently on the international stage to facilitate the further strengthening of the capacities of landlocked developing countries and assist in the formulation of joint platforms and common positions for concerted actions, to encourage more countries to support landlocked developing countries, to help landlocked developing countries to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and to contribute more to building sustainable solutions to the challenges of future development.

Mr. Chairman

In conclusion, I express my sincere hope that the draft resolution will receive unanimous support from Member States of the Committee.

I thank you.