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Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I would like to thank the delegation of the People's Republic of China for initiating and introduction of the draft resolution entitled "Observer status for the Boao Forum for Asia (BFA) in the General Assembly" at the 6th Committee Meeting today.

As one of the founders of the BFA and co-sponsor of the mentioned draft resolution, Cambodia fully supports the statement delivered by the distinguished representative of China.

In this connection, I would like to emphasize that activities conducted by the BFA are to promote and deepen economic cooperation in the region, which are complementary to the works being carried out by the United Nations.

Granting the BFA the observer status in the General Assembly will enhance stronger cooperation between the BFA and UN agencies in support of the Asian countries in their pursuit of implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its goals.

In this regard, my delegation would like to call, with high appreciation, for Member States' support to the draft resolution.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.