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Mr. Chairman,

- 1. My delegation is pleased to participate in this process of Mandate Review, an integral part of UN reform. We share with other delegations the goal of making this organization more efficient, effective and coherent for the benefit of all Member countries. We also believe that today's discussion of mandates related to the promotion of sustained growth and sustainable development, and development in Africa, is no less important than consideration of other mandate issues.
- 2. As the Secretary-General noted, the UN's economic, social and environmental achievements have been outstanding. We believe, however, that these laudable achievements can be still enhanced if we can streamline redundant, unnecessary and duplicative mandates. We also stand a better chance of achieving MDGs if we can redirect our limited resources to priority areas.

Mr. Chairman,

- 3. With these objectives in minds, my delegation would like to make a few initial comments regarding the Secretary-General's recommendations on promoting sustained growth and sustainable development.
- 4. First, close coordination among principal organs is needed to make the review process more effective. In the area of economic and social development, the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, as well as the Security Council to a lesser extent, have adopted a large number of resolutions.

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