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## Madam Chair,

## **Distinguished Delegates,**

Our world faces numerous challenges – from poverty and inequality to climate change and global health crises. The 17 Sustainable Development Goals serve as our collective roadmap to a better, more sustainable future. Science, technology, and innovation are the vehicles that will help us reach our destination.

Türkiye recognizes the pivotal role that global cooperation plays in harnessing the benefits of science, technology, and innovation. Our nation is committed to being an active participant in this collective effort. We have undertaken various initiatives to promote knowledge sharing, research, and technological advancement. Our commitment extends beyond our borders because we understand that global challenges demand global solutions.

As the Ministry, we carry out projects on various issues with EU, UNDP, EBRD, and the World Bank, and we continue to work on new projects.

We are working to develop cooperation with other countries in the fields of industry, technology, innovation, entrepreneurship,

regional development and investment, and to create new areas of cooperation.

In addition to our multilateral bilateral cooperation, we also attach great importance to bilateral cooperation. We organize Joint Economic Commission Meetings, High Level Cooperation Council Meetings, Joint Economic and Trade Council meetings and other meetings with other countries in Science, Technology, Innovation and other fields.

Thank you.