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Thank you Mr. President.

Good afternoon Colleagues,

- At this conclusion, I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to You, Mr. President and Mr. Vice-President-cum-rapporteur for your hard work and steering our discussions with skills and dedication. Let me would also like to thank the Members of G77 and China, as well as colleagues from other Groups for their flexibility and constructive engagement, which has enriched our deliberations.
- With respect to subprogram 3's evaluation result, the group is off the view the frequency and duration of meetings of the Working Party are necessary to foster comprehensive discussions and ensure that the views of all members are fully represented and considered. Contrary to the notion that meetings are too frequent or too long, we emphasize that formal, structured dialogue remains essential to achieving results and common understandings. Additionally, the Group strongly believes that informal dialogue platforms should complement, not replace or overshadow formal processes.
- As we conclude, let us collectively reaffirm our commitment to the principles of multilateralism and the vital mandate of UNCTAD in fostering inclusive and sustainable development through the three pillars namely research and analytical work of the secretariat, the intergovernmental deliberative work for consensus-building, and technical cooperation. The importance of fostering collaboration on a global scale cannot be overstated.
- Lastly, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our capable Secretariat team and interpreters for their invaluable assistance and devoted efforts in facilitating the success of the meeting.

Thank you Mr. President.