

## **Intervention of Ecuador at the 99th Session of the General Assembly**

### **Adoption of the Outcome document of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development**

New York, July 27, 2015

Thank you very much Mr. President.

Let me join others and express our most sincere and heartfelt condolences on the pass of the Permanent Representative of Djibouti, Roble Olhaye.

Let me also express our gratitude to the Government and people of Ethiopia for hosting this conference and congratulate the co-facilitators of this process, Excellencies Ambassadors George Talbot and Geir Pedersen for his leadership and hard work.

While we associate to the statement made by the Group of 77 and China, and express our total commitment to the common causes of all developing countries, Ecuador wishes to reiterate its rejection to the position that considers the State as another actor on resource mobilization and poverty eradication. On the contrary, we firmly believe that the State, by its inherent responsibility, is the key player in the global partnership for development as it has legitimately powers for planning, steering and control, through politics and public investment, to generate economic dynamics pro development. Moreover, this global alliance should be framed primarily among all States, and other stakeholders must align and be ruled under the policies and guidelines issued by them.

Furthermore Mr. President, my delegation wishes to reaffirm the two reservations expressed at the end of the discussions in Addis Ababa in paragraph 31 and the first sentence of paragraph 113, as they were explained in our statement of closure in Addis Ababa, as well as the numbered explanations of national position that were sent in writing to the Secretariat of Financing for Development in Addis before our intervention.

On this regard, let us join Mr. President and welcome the consensus expressed in the adoption of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda by the General Assembly.

On the other hand Mr. President, my delegation wishes to express its concern about the record of Ecuador at the closing session of the Conference, in the sense that our delegation clearly explained its disagreement and reservation in two paragraphs

mentioned above, "which, in English means that Ecuador made two reservations to the outcome document of Addis", while my delegation listed 17 paragraphs in which Ecuador explained its national position on regards as the interpretation of these paragraphs or a part of them, "Which means that clearly our delegation numbered 17 explanations of national position", but we never expressed to have reservations on those paragraphs or that we have opposed to them.

We believe that a reservation is clearly different of an explanation of national position.

For these reasons Mr. President, Ecuador expresses its concern about the quality of translation that can be performed at events such as Addis Ababa and we request to the Secretariat more surveillance on the expertis of interpreters on these spaces, especially when we address substance issues that can be very sensitive for Member States, as well as we ask to the Secretariat all the corrections and rectifications on regard of this case to be made on the portals of communication of the United Nations.

A copy of this requirement will be sent in writing to the Secretariat, as well as the original statement of July 16th in both Spanish and English to facilitate interpretation.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.