On behalf of my delegation, I would like to commend the hard work of the co-facilitators for coming out with a more meaningful, constructive and inclusive draft of the outcome document, and thereafter arranging this session to have a section by section analytical discussion in order to reach a consensus over the proposed draft.

We also appreciate the approach of the co-facilitators to maintain a critical balance and parity between the two distinct groups- migrants and refugees. Therefore, we took note of the proposal made earlier this morning by the co-facilitators to have two annexes with the political declaration of the 19th September High Level Meeting, namely the Comprehensive Refugee Response Mechanism and a detail roadmap with listing of elements in connection with the Global Compact for migrants, instead of having one on the Global Compact for Responsibility Sharing for the Refugees.

We understand that the Comprehensive Refugee Response Mechanism will be more likely an operative guideline. Whereas, the second annex to be adopted on 19th September 2016 will be comprised of a detail roadmap and some elements. This annex will be particularly designed to steward the negotiation for obtaining a global compact for migrant’s by 2018. At this stage, our delegation would like to know that what will be the status of these two annexes after 19th September Summit? Will the Comprehensive Refugee Response Mechanism be a living document? Will that be further negotiable?
In paragraph 1.3, the definition of “Large Movement” is still not clear to our delegation. Regular movement (through legal channels) can also be categorized as “Large Movements” especially if we consider the movements of Economic Migrants from densely populated developing countries. Therefore, my delegation would like to suggest a footnote that the definition of “Large Movement” which is coined in this draft text is merely from working definition and not a legal one.

In paragraph 1.5 (2nd line), we are in favor of adding an adjective “positive” before the word “contribution” and appreciate the referencing to Agenda 2030 in order to promote positive narratives of migration.

The political declaration of the High level meeting will now have two annexes, one in connection with the refugees and the other one for the migrants, and with further negotiation beyond 19 September 2016 both, the global compact for responsibility sharing of the refugees and the global compact for safe, regular and orderly migration, will be adopted in 2018 and considering the mixed nature of large movements, it is pertinent to retain Segment-II (which contains commitments for migrants and refugees jointly). In paragraph 2, we propose deletion of last line, as it seems irrelevant after receiving new information from the co-facilitators of having double annexes. To maintain a critical balance between the two distinct groups- migrants and refugees, at this stage, we will suggest clear mentioning of both the annexes in this paragraph. It will be helpful to reference Member State’s intention on beginning this process.

I thank you.