The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Belarus to the United Nations presents its compliments to the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs and with reference to the latter's note DESA-16/00666 of 24 June 2016 has the honour to forward the proposals of Belarus to the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 67/289 of 9 July 2013, entitled "The United Nations in global economic governance".

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Belarus to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

Annex as stated.

New York, 29 July 2016

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The last few decades have witnessed a remarkable rise of a number of emerging economies. But very few developing countries have been able to close the prosperity gap with high-income countries. Despite the progress and efforts, many countries have not been able to make the final leap out of the middle-income category. The lack of convergence is a matter of growing concern. It therefore raises the importance of international support measures to foster greater diversification, strengthen technological capabilities, and promote inclusiveness to help countries escape the trap and promote sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all. MICs national development efforts need to be supported by an enabling international economic environment, including coherent and mutually supporting world trade, monetary and financial systems, and strengthened and enhanced global economic governance.

In this regard the Republic of Belarus recognizes that under the principle of leaving no one behind, the sustainable development needs and specific challenges and vulnerabilities of middle-income countries should be properly addressed and adequately supported by the UN system, in various forms, taking into account the broad and complex diversity of these countries and their capacity to support the implementation process of the 2030 Agenda.

Therefore, The Republic of Belarus invites the United Nations System to establish an inter-agency and system-wide coordination action plan for sustainable development in middle-income countries. This mechanism should enhance coherence and coordination of the UN system towards middle-income countries and ensure their participation in international economic decision-making, norm-setting and global economic governance in the context of achieving Sustainable Development Goals.