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## Madam Chair,

## All Protocol observed,

- We want to congratulate the election of the State of Qatar, as President to the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries.
- 2. We take the occasion to thank Her Excellency Ambassador Alya Al-Thani Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar for her personal commitment and support in all activities related to the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries.
- 3. We must thank, once again, the Permanent Representatives of Bangladesh and Canada for their strong commitment during the negotiations of the Doha Programme of Action (DPoA).

- The Doha Programme of Action contains several commitments by the LDC's, and today adoption will lead us to begin its implementation.
- 5. At this moment, Angola is in the process of graduation, working on its National Soft Transition Strategy, which will culminate with graduation in February 2024 to a Middle-Income country and DPoA will be a document that will support us in this time of transition, and helping us in focal areas of actions as follow:
  - Investing in people
  - Leveraging the power of science, technology, and innovation to fight against multidimensional vulnerabilities and to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals;
  - Supporting structural transformation as a driver of prosperity;
  - Enhancing international trade of least developed countries and regional integration;
  - Addressing climate change, environmental degradation, recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and building resilience against future shocks for risk-informed sustainable development;
  - Mobilizing international solidarity, reinvigorated global partnerships and innovative tools and instruments: a march towards sustainable graduation.

6. In this regard, Angola is fully committed with the DPoA and the implementation is crucial for us.

I thank you!