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Statement

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During

High Level Conference for Peaceful Settlement of the Question of Palestine and the Implementation of the Two-State Solution

30th July 2025

12.00 noon

General Assembly Hall

Co-chairs,

- 1. Kenya aligns itself with the African Union position that espouses the achievement of a Two-State solution through negotiations founded on relevant UN Resolutions and supports homegrown solutions based on socio-cultural tolerance.
- 2. My delegation would now like to state the following in our national capacity.
- 3. For decades, the Middle East has endured cycles of violence and the collapse of every major peace negotiation. The spiraling increase of civilian casualties, widespread displacement and catastrophic humanitarian emergencies continue to imperil not only Palestinian aspirations for sovereignty and Israeli security, but also the stability of the entire region and the authority of international law.
- 4. The Two-State solution is deemed as the sole framework capable of delivering just, lasting peace. Unfortunately, it is now on the brink of collapse.

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- 5. Kenya is concerned that the absence of decisive and coordinated action, hardened stances of an irreversible status quo of protracted conflict will prolong human suffering and strategic fragmentation.
- 6. In this regard, we take note that this Conference is one of the few chances remaining to transform consensus into tangible, irreversible steps and propose the following actions, embedded in three core pillars:
 - a. Ceasefire and Humanitarian Relief to secure an immediate, verifiable ceasefire, ensure the unconditional release of all

hostages and guarantee unfettered delivery of humanitarian assistance and full withdrawal forces from Gaza.

- b. Implementing the Two-State solution proposal with Security Guarantees by convening a United Nations-backed mechanism, and establishing robust, jointly monitored security arrangements to protect civilians on both sides linked to benchmarks that reinforce the two-State roadmap.
- c. Instituting time-bound framework to adopt a comprehensive UN resolution mandating clear deadlines and enforcement measures and create a multinational oversight body that builds on the Global Alliance for Implementation to monitor compliance, deter spoilers and report transparently to the international community.

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- 7. The world watches us to see whether we can convert long-standing consensus into concrete, irreversible action. By embracing three core pillars—political, economic and security—we can cement an enduring peace: two states, side by side, in mutual security and cooperation, and pave the way for a stable, integrated Middle East.
- 8. Kenya believes that collective and individual measures will help transform long-standing consensus into irreversible steps toward two sovereign States, living side by side in peace, security and mutual respect.
- 9. In conclusion, we reaffirm our support for the two-State solution and commit to collaborating with Member States in joint efforts to secure durable and lasting peace.

I thank you.