I thank Mr. Anthony Lake, Executive Director of UNICEF for his inspiring remarks. I would also like to congratulate the entire UNICEF staff for the difference that they have made this year in the lives of children all over the world. Unprecedented humanitarian situations in various regions this year failed to reveal the limitation of commitment and bravery of UNICEF staff. Rather, they sharpened its focus and leadership in the face of humanitarian crises.

However, we cannot forget the pain and sacrifice endured by UNICEF staff members, including Nasreen Khan and Basra Hassan. As Mr. Lake pointed out in the First Regular Session of the Executive Board, they are not lost but live in the smiles of children they served and saved.

Mr. President,

As for the structured dialogue on financing results of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2014-2017, and Critical mass of core resources, we welcome UNICEF's efforts to consult member countries to abide by the resolutions of the General Assembly and the ECOSOC on QCPR. We also commend UNICEF's leading role in trying to identify a harmonized approach for responding to the QCPR mandates by engaging other Funds and Programmes.

In framing the structured dialogue, we have to keep in mind not only how to best mobilize good quality resources but also (1) how to rapidly adapt UNICEF's funding strategy to the ever changing funding situation, (2) how to best fulfill the need for a closer link between humanitarian action and development in funding strategy and (3) how to leverage 'One UN delivery' of Funds and Programmes, including in financing.

Predictability of financing and more flexible resources can be increased when the needs and interests of donors are addressed. One of the reasons why donors often prefer earmarked funding is because they want to confirm the effects that their donation makes. If we look at a domestic dimension, National Assemblies and Congresses that approve budget plans always require their governments to present concrete results of the previous year's contributions to regular resources. In this regard, we welcome UNICEF's initiative to open a new online platform, which will allow for the tracking of results and resources. My delegation believes it will serve to further increase transparency and convince donors to contribute more flexible resources.
In the meantime, my delegation commends UNICEF's forward-looking private fundraising strategy to broaden donor bases. We would like to ask UNICEF to draw on its powerful brand image to reach the people on the street. The recent ice bucket challenge phenomenon not only shows the willingness of people to participate in a good cause but also the potential of SNS. In close collaboration with national committees, UNICEF would be able to come up with innovative tools to inspire and encourage people, companies and philanthropic organizations to support UNICEF's mission.

My delegation has always emphasized the importance of innovation in the UN system. We hope UNICEF will keep spearheading innovation in management, operation and funding. The Korean government decided to join the steering committee of the UNICEF Innovation Centre in its strong belief that new technologies can and should benefit marginalized people as well. Required resources will be funded from the air-ticket solidarity levy, which the Korean government has been collecting since 2007 as innovative financing for development. The Republic of Korea will continue to be committed to the cause to protect and promote the rights of children in further close cooperation with UNICEF. Thank you.

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