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STATEMENT

**by H.E. Mr. Victor Moraru,
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Mr. Chairman,

As previous speakers have rightly stated, the global partnership and increased international cooperation are critical to make the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development a reality.

The scalability of both financial and non-financial resources required to achieve the sustainable development goals exceed by far the capacities of many countries in this room.

Enhanced multi-stakeholder, innovative partnerships at all levels are vital to follow the sustainable development path in an integrated manner.

The UN Secretary-General’s report presented under the agenda item 27 identifies certain gaps existing in this area, particularly the lack of coordination among UN entities, the unnecessary duplication of efforts, the disrupting competition for partnerships, the cumbersome rules and procedures which are not conducive to long-term and stable collaboration with the private sector and other partners.

We acknowledge from the Secretary-General’s report that efforts are being made to improve coordination at system-wide level and to the scale-up partnerships for 2030 Agenda, in particular with the private sector.

We note that attracting this important actor in the realization of the sustainable development goals is challenging but, at the same time, the *know-how*, technologies and financial resources held by this stakeholder are critical to realize the targets and goals on a number of important issues as are, *inter alia*, health, water and sanitation, sustainable consumption and production, resilient infrastructure and green economy.

For example, in the case of the Republic of Moldova, a National Dialogue with the private sector was initiated with the support of the UN/UNDP country representatives which revealed several opportunities for joint intervention in such sectors as education, agriculture and energy.

Furthermore, the Moldovan Government is supportive of ICT sector by enacting relevant legislation and creating an enabling business environment, efforts which yield important results in terms of creating opportunities for decent jobs, development of smart solutions to facilitate people's access to quality public services and sustain urban development.

Mr. Chairman,

While the private sector's contribution is critical in the realization of the sustainable development goals, multi-stakeholder partnerships involving academia, civil society and other relevant actors should be pursued to achieve the 2030 Agenda.

We are encouraged to note that across the UN system important innovative initiatives are deployed and partnerships are established that support the realization of the sustainable development goals at the national, regional and global level.

Furthermore, we look forward to the results of the ongoing actions undertaken to reinvigorate the UN resident coordinator system and the United Nations Office for Partnerships under the larger UNDS reform agenda.

These are important steps towards enhancing the Organization's capacity in leveraging the much needed partnerships for sustainable development.

A reinvigorated resident coordinator system should act as a broker and facilitator for multi-stakeholder partnerships at the local level to support the Member States development priorities, while a strengthened Office for Partnerships should foster new, innovative partnerships at the global level.

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, I should like to underscore that the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development as well as other milestone agreements reached in 2015 provide us with an excellent blueprint to build a sustainable future for the present and coming generations.

It is our hope that today's discussions will contribute to reinvigorating and further strengthening the much need global partnership for the attainment of the priorities and goals set by those agreements.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman.