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**Statement**

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in Geneva on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement**

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Thank you, Mr. Vice-President.

I have the honour to deliver this statement on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

The NAM welcomes holding this annual thematic panel discussion which is an opportunity for States to share their experiences, best practices and challenges with regard to technical cooperation and capacity-building in the implementation of their human rights obligations and commitments, as well as the recommendations they have accepted in the universal periodic review process.

The NAM emphasizes the importance of adopting constructive approach in the promotion and protection of all universally recognized human rights and fundamental freedoms, and in this regard, encourages all States to focus on genuine dialogue and cooperation with each other. Provision of capacity building and technical assistance in consultation with and upon the consent of the concerned states based on their needs and priorities would be another important achievement in this direction.

The NAM recalls that ensuring technical assistance and capacity-building constitute an essential component of the work of the Human Rights Council and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR). Therefore, the NAM calls upon the Office to redouble its efforts to promote technical cooperation and capacity building with a view to ensuring the realization of all universally recognized human rights and fundamental freedoms.

In conclusion, we reiterate that all human rights, including the right to development, are universal, inalienable, indivisible, interdependent and interrelated. With this in mind, the technical cooperation and capacity-building activities by the Human Rights Council and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights should have an equal focus on all human rights.

I thank you.