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STATEMENT BY THE DELEGATION OF ALGERIA

12TH SESSION OF THE EXPERT MECHANISM ON THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT

Mister Chair,

My delegation aligns itself with the statement delivered by GHANA on behalf of African group.

We thank the members of the Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development for convening this session and for their continued commitment to advancing this essential human right.

As reaffirmed by the 1986 Declaration, the right to development is an inalienable human right. Every individual and all peoples are entitled to participate in, contribute to, and enjoy economic, social, cultural, and political development, in which all human rights and fundamental freedoms can be fully realized.

Yet, almost four decades later, this right remains far from being universally fulfilled. Deep inequalities, unsustainable debt burdens, and the growing impact of climate change continue to hinder the aspirations of millions of people in developing countries.

Mister Chair,

Algeria firmly believes that international cooperation and solidarity are the cornerstones of the realization of the right to development. This includes South-South cooperation, which must reflect national priorities and address the real needs of our peoples. In this regard, Algeria has dedicated over one billion US dollars through the Algerian Agency for International Cooperation for Solidarity and Development to support development projects in Africa, particularly those fostering integration and sustainable growth.

We also underline the urgent need to reform the international financial architecture, which continues to perpetuate inequalities and limit the policy space of developing countries. A fairer global economic system must ensure equitable access to financing, technology, and markets, while respecting national sovereignty and development choices.

Mister Chair,

Algeria reiterates its support for the adoption of a legally binding instrument on the right to development. Such an instrument would strengthen the international community's collective efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and ensure that no country or person is left behind.

For Algeria, the right to development is not an abstract concept, it is a prerequisite for peace, stability, and human dignity.

I thank you.