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SUSTAINING PEACE
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Mr. President,

Malaysia joins other speakers in commending you for convening this important High Level Meeting on Peacebuilding and Sustaining Peace. We wish align ourselves with the statement delivered by Venezuela yesterday on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement.

2. We commend both Permanent Representatives of Bangladesh and Lithuania, the co-facilitators of the intergovernmental consultations on the draft resolution A/72/L.49 to be adopted by the General Assembly.

3. We are also pleased with the comprehensive, transparent and inclusive approach undertaken by the co-facilitators, and flexibility demonstrated by all delegation during the negotiations of the draft resolution.

4. Malaysia welcomes the various resolutions adopted by the General Assembly such as the Review of the UN peacebuilding architecture 70/262 and Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution 70/304.

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen,

5. The landmark identical resolutions of the peacebuilding architecture review adopted by the General Assembly and the Security Council in April 2016 provided the impetus to international interventions on prevention and peacebuilding.

6. Today we are focusing our attention on sustaining peace as highlighted by the Secretary-General, which constitutes a paradigm shift in how we think about sustaining peace, how we address and solving conflicts around the globe.

7. Therefore Malaysia believes sustaining peace should be built on a more coordinated, integrated and inclusive system-wide approach by all UN bodies, together with all stakeholders, particularly with the participation of women and youth; national ownership; involvement of regional and sub-regional organizations; civil societies and NGOs; media; private sectors and international financial institutions.

Mr. President,

8. My delegation would like to underscore the need for peacebuilding and sustaining peace be aligned with the goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the various ongoing UN reform efforts. Eradication of hunger and poverty, economic revitalization and stabilization, must be among the core objectives of peacebuilding and sustaining peace initiatives.

9. We are of the view that building lasting peace also requires predictable, sustained and adequate financing. It is more viable to invest and maintain peace. Indeed peace is a fragile thing. At the end, sustaining peace requires courage and political will of all stakeholders. Malaysia together with the international community, will do its part towards this noble endeavour.

I thank you, Mr. President.