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Statement of the Chairman

The Advisory Committee continues to note the efforts made to promote business opportunities for vendors from least developed countries, developing countries and countries with economies in transition, and recommends that the General Assembly request the Secretary-General to continue to explore additional innovative ways to promote procurement from these countries.

In terms of cooperation in procurement, the Secretary-General's report underlines the role of the Procurement Network of the High-level Committee on Management in promoting cooperation among United Nations entities and mentions promising areas of collaboration including in the procurement of vehicles. The Advisory Committee continues to emphasize the need for intensifying system-wide collaboration and cooperation on procurement matters.

Thank you, Madam Chair.