



Mining sector, by its nature, requires a labor intensive production system and has a specific character with respect to risks it entails and is among the heavy and dangerous sectors which require knowledge, experience, expertise and continuous supervision. There are many ongoing works in this respect in many countries. However, more action is needed. Actions including investing more in research and development of technologies that decrease the risks workers face and technical education and trainings organized jointly by developed and developing countries that promotes sound mining management practices should be given priority.

In concluding Madam Chair, it is our expectation and hope that this Review session will pave the road to a productive and successful policy development session next year.

Thank you.