

*Permanent Mission of Lebanon
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The Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations, and with reference to the ongoing consultations on the Final Document of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, has the honor to inform that the delegation of Lebanon believes more emphasis is needed in the Document to address the growing challenge of financing the response to humanitarian crises, particularly those resulting from displacement of refugees.

In the past few years, efforts to tackle humanitarian crises through the narrow channel of donors, international financial institutions and UN agencies to provide affected countries, including middle income countries with adequate development assistance that would meet their needs, strengthen their resilience and alleviate the impact of those crises.

In this regard, the delegation of Lebanon proposes the inclusion of the following elements in the section on "International Public Finance" in the Final Document:

- **Recognize the need to increase coherence of development and humanitarian finance to ensure more timely, appropriate, and cost-effective approaches to managing crises and financing mechanisms.**

Promote the strengthening of local, national and regional capacity to manage crises and build resilience to crises and shocks."

The Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate the delegation's commitment to the Conference, convey to the delegations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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