

I would like to thank the co-facilitators for convening today's meeting and to assure you of the full support and positive engagement of my delegation.

The Addis Ababa Action Agenda was a milestone agreement. It built firmly on Monterrey and Doha, while adding important features to further ensure mobilisation of resources for sustainable development. The ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development is one of them. It is our pleasure to discuss the "intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations" of the first Forum in this process.

Since this is the first consultation, today we would like to make