



H.E Mr. Oh Joon, President of ECOSOC;

Honorable Ministers;

Distinguished heads and representatives of UN Agencies, the World Bank, IMF, WTO and UNCTAD;

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I want to thank H.E Mr. Oh Joon for convening this inaugural session of the ECOSOC forum on Financing for Development follow-up.

I would also like to thank the Inter-agency task-force on Financing for

The first phase of our Growth and Transformation plan – 2009/10 – 2014/15 laid a concrete foundation in the institutional architecture, policy framework and infrastructure for the mainstreaming of Agenda 2030 into our national development plans. I'll highlight some of the concrete steps we took in the

integration of the SDGs and the A.A.A.A. into our national plans

A key milestone in integrating the post 2030 Agenda into our national priorities and plans were our earlier efforts to strengthen the institutional architecture for national planning. In 2013, we established the National Planning Commission as an autonomous planning body. This reform has helped immensely in capacitating our long-term national planning process adding strong coherence to the planning and monitoring process. The Planning Commission also partnered with the UNDESA to benefit from its program supporting countries in the implementation

and broaden our tax systems. By the end of the current five-year plan, our tax-GDP ratio is targeted to reach 18% and our domestic saving to reach

29.6% from its current 22.5%. Accordingly, we project that on average over 60% of our investment will be financed through domestic public resources.

prevent illicit financial flows.

- ❖ In addition to our public resources, we are working to tap into the resources of the private sector – domestic and international - as a key driver for growth, job creation and poverty reduction and thus for the achievement of our national vision of becoming a lower middle-income and carbon neutral economy by 2025 and achieving the SDGs by 2030. The transformation of

Excellencies,

In addition to our efforts for the mobilization of all sources of finance, our current growth and transformation plan has anchored its pillars on accelerating human

development and technological capacity building and enhancing good governance and democratic rule to ensure a conducive macro-economic, technological and political environment for our economic decisions to flourish.