Madam chair person

Your excellency director General

Deputy Director General

Distinguished delegates

At the outset I would like to congratulate Cuba, Cook island and Kuwait for their new status within the IOM nexus and avail this opportunity to commend IOM for the pivotal evolution in its relation with the UN .

IOM since its inception before six decades has been dedicated resilient and perseverant in serving needy people and those vulnerable on the move. This inclusion will offer more impetus for its huge operation around the globe

Sudan appreciates the durable and sustained cooperation with IOM and in this regard my delegation extends a very heart felt and special attribute to Director General Ambassador Swing who has been all the times very receptive and responsive to our technical needs in Sudan to manage migration for the atomist benefit of migrants and their societies this leadership forged strong ties with our country and to this effect Our cooperation with IOM brought to existence a myriad of programs includes the

1/ first research facility of its kind in the region which is serving now as the major think tank for all national institutes working in the realm of migration at the national level and we plan to upgrade it to a regional training center for migration development focusing on investment and economic inclusion migrants and their communities

2/ helped us to enact the first anti trafficking law in the country

3/Sudan migration profile which was the first one in the region, to map and screen the migration trends and modalities in Sudan.

In addition to the intense engagement in arrays a of humanitarian activities covering different areas in Sudan

Migration as described by Ambassador Swing is (inevitable, necessary and desirable) having such an optimistic outlook on migration we must save no resolve to shape migration and maintain it in the best form and substance. This will be achieved only through focusing on economic and social disparities which are the major root cause of adversities and social upheaval pertaining to migration. People gravitate from law poor and impoverished societies to the high rich and prosperous ones. Equality is the panacea to cure the suffering and change the gloomy sphere of migration this require a new perspective and a paradigm shift in most OF the current rhetoric on migration to bridge the gaps and mitigate the horrible differences between societies across the globe. The international community must deal with poverty on a collective measure not on individual basis and poverty eradication must be on the top of the agenda and the core of any solution

In a nutshell we need to strengthen our cooperation with the IOM in the following 5 areas

1- Migration Economics SMEs technical assistance and the remittances inclusion in the value chain and establishing the training center for this purpose

- 2- Knowledge Transfer through brains and expertise circulation we have a lot of success stories in this regard
- 3- Khartoum Process which is a co-venture between the AU and EU spear headed by the EU to curb the irregular migration where Sudan becomes the most used corridor for the transit trafficking and irregular migrants from the most populated countries in the region of the East and Central Africa
- 4- Reintegration of the Sudanese returnees from Libya and the kingdom of Saudi Arabia where we already received more than 100 thousands and the prospect will exceed threefold this number we appreciate the effort exerted by IOM and the program planned by the EU for a huge resettlement project for the returnees and we need more work on this
- 5- Research facilities and networking with the research syndicates coordinated by IOM to conduct researches on the essential areas of migration