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Statement of the delegation of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the 110th session of the Council of the International Organisation on Migration

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Mr. Chairperson,

Mr. Director General,

Excellencies Distinguished delegates,

On behalf of the delegation of Jordan, I wish to congratulate His Excellency Ambassador Botora of Ethoipia on his election as chair of this council and other members of the bureau, and assure them of our confidence in their efforts leading our deliberations during this 110th session of the council and assure you all of my delegations full support.

My delegation welcomes the admission of Lebanon to the organization, which will broaden the scope of our regional memberships, and enriching the IOM work with valuable contributions and expertise.

We also want to congratulate the international commission on missing persons on their admission as observers.

Mr. Chairperson,

We have taken note of the Director Generals report, which presented a summary of IOM's vital work, we highly appreciate IOM critical role in emergency response, with crisis-related programming reaching over 30 million people in more than 100 countries.

We value IOMs role in supporting emergencies in our region, Jordan has been and still being affected by several regional emergences that the organization qualify as Level 3 emergences, of which 1.3 million

resulted from the Syrian crisis and being hosted by Jordan. Throughout the process of coping with these emergences, Jordan remained in direct connection with IOM as we believe that our partnership facilitates human relief to refugees and support for host countries.

Mr. Chairperson, distinguished delegates, Many examples of this cooperation can be mentioned, IOM's work in improving the infrastructure at the border crossing points to help build capacity on integrated and humanitarian border management, IOM work in this area included training for border and other relevant immigration officials, IOM conducted training for front-line border Jordanian guards on international standards and human rights to address challenges during the mass.

Moreover, Jordan and IOM have been working towards increasing the attendance rates of female refugee students in schools; this was achieved by providing school transportation to children in Azraq Refugee Camp.

Mr. Chairperson, Distinguished delegates,

Jordan stresses on the continues pressure its infrastructure and economy remains under as a result of being committed to its international humanitarian role of hosting refugees, and assures its commitment to its ethical standards concerning refugees, this commitment is translated in being a host for a number

of IOM led significant humanitarian admissions and relocation operations, it was also proven through Jordan's position towards the global imigration compact, which was stressed upon in The Intergovernmental Conference to Adopt the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration which took place in Marrakech, on December 2018.

Jordan views IOM as one of the most instrumental international organizations in the field of humanitarian response, which is why we put high hopes on the organizations ability to keep up with the changing nature of crises in the region, and IOMs holistic approach in providing human relief, we took note of IOM's strategic vision and appreciate the steps taken to implement the internal governance framework; moreover, we commend the IOM development fund's efforts in providing migration related programs for the benefit of member states.

Mr. Chairperson, Distinguished Delegates,

we took note of the director general's proposal towards strengthening the organizations top management and assures that any position the council adopts concerning the structure of the organization should be taken in consideration of assisting the IOM in coping with the changing nature of the challenges it faces.

Finally, Mr. Chairperson, Jordan commends the efforts of DG Antonio Vitorino and the IOM family and welcomes the new additions in its managements stressing on their vital role in enhancing cooperation between the organization and member states, we reassure IOM of my delegation's full support and readiness to cooperate, we also thank IOM for all its initiatives and look forward for increased partnership and collaboration in the future.

Thank you.