

# STATEMENT BY AMB. HOYCE A. TEMU, DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE, PERMANENT MISSION OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA TO THE UN GENEVA AT THE 112<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE IOM COUNCIL 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2021, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

Chairperson,
Director General,
Excellencies,
Ladies and Gentlemen.

The United Republic of Tanzania aligns itself with the statement delivered by Niger on behalf of the African Group.

# Chairperson,

We wish to extend our congratulations to you and other members of the Bureau on your election to lead the 112th Session of the IOM Council. We would also like to thank the outgoing Chairperson H.E. Evan Garcia, the Permanent Representative of Phillipines for his leadership in the 111th IOM Council as well as his brilliant stewardship on the discussions around Working Group on IOM Partnerships, Governance and Organizational Priorities.

## Chairperson,

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate the International Organisation on Migration (IOM), on it's 70th Anniversary. Over the years the work of IOM have contributed largely in addressing migrants challenges and covered a range of important and timely subjects in the past 70 years, including migration and development, remittances, migration and health, gender and migration, among

others . On behalf of the Government of Tanzania, we wish to express deepest appreciation to the IOM for continued cooperation and assistance which has had immense contribution to the United Republic of Tanzania's development endeavours over the years.

## Chairperson,

My delegation wishes to thank the Director-General for his report and assures him and his team of our support. We commend the Director General and the IOM secretariat on how the organisation has adopted and responded to the Covid-19 pandemic. COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of well-governed migration for prosperous and healthy societies, while demonstrating the negative impact of reduced human mobility on sustainable development. In past year we have indeed seen the impact of COVID-19 on borders, migration and mobility and there many lessons learned for the future. Connectivity and human mobility are fundamental features of today's globalized world. We believe that the integrated implementation of global policy frameworks on human mobility and its drivers would be critical in the postpandemic scenario and underlined the need for international coordination of travel requirements and measures. In this regard, it will require multisectoral, whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches, with coordination between countries and sectors, and national and local authorities, as well as inter-agency cooperation.

# Chairperson,

I am pleased to state that Tanzania continues to enjoy excellent working relationship with the IOM. It is a relationship of which we value and cherish. We also wish to thank IOM and other development partners for the enormous support they continue to provide to the African Capacity Building Centre (ACBC), in sustaining the objective of the centre. We continue to invite all African countries to take full advantage of this capacity building facility in the area of migration and management.

Allow me also at this juncture, to thank IOM for supporting Tanzania on various migration projects including raising awareness on violence against women and children and the cross-border trade initiative programme.

# Chairperson,

In conclusion, allow me to reiterate the Government of Tanzania commitment to continue working with IOM and the International community to ensure that the organization play a pivotal role on migration for development and contribute to global efforts on peace and stability.

### I THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.