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Excellencies, ladies and gentlemen,

Mr. chair,

At the outset, let me congratulate you on your appointment as the president of this council and assure you of Afghanistan's full support and cooperation in your presidency.

Mr. chair,

As emphasized by the previous speakers, humanity is facing unprecedented challenges, the impact of Climate change, Covid-19 and the war Ukraine, humanitarian and Human rights crisis in Afghanistan to count a few. New crisis situations continue to emerge around the globe, and older ones remain unattended or unresolved or sometimes forgotten. Millions of people leave their villages, cities and countries, turning in to IDP's, asylum seekers or migrants. Afghanistan, like several other nations is facing all three challenges at the same time. Addressing these interconnected challenges at all levels, national, regional and international have made the IOM a crucial partner for the member states, being in a country of origin, transit or host.

Mr. chair,

Afghanistan's forced displacement, protracted conflict and crisis has entered its fifth decades which is a testimony to suffering of our people and the protracted character of the crisis.

Unfortunately, the movement of people has increased and the situation has been deteriorated after the military takeover of Kabul by the Taliban.

Currently the people of Afghanistan are facing one of the world's most complex humanitarian crisis under the control of Taliban, Millions of people have been displaced and are under poverty line, more than half of the population are in need of humanitarian assistance, which is a testimony of severe humanitarian crisis.

Mr chair,

Since August 2021 military takeover, Afghanistan witnessed thousands of its brightest and mostly invested human capital leaving the country. Billions of dollars have been invested on this



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generation of professional youth who are now scattered around the world. These were and are the backbone of our modern state and we should continue to work on opportunities for this generation to return to Afghanistan once the situation changes, and take part in rebuilding our institutions and the economy. We urge IOM to have a particular focus and specific projects to work with this cohort of newly displaced citizens of Afghanistan professional and civil society activist in the host countries and ensure that they remain connected and their capacity and capabilities are not wasted. Given time constrains, we will be happy to further discuss such opportunities later.

Mr. Chair,

The provision of humanitarian assistance for the people of Afghanistan through the UN agencies is vital in this difficult time. It is important that these humanitarian assistances directly provided to the vulnerable people without the interference and influence of the Taliban and in transparent, human right based, inclusive and effective delivery mechanism.

To conclude, I would like to thank IOM and all member states who generously provided humanitarian support to the People of Afghanistan.

I thank you Mr. Chair,