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Mr. President of the Third Conference on Financing for Development, Mr. Secretary

mired in extreme poverty, particularly in fragile and conflict-affected states. In too many places

The United States is proud to have historically been the largest bilateral provider of ODA. In 2014 alone, the United States committed a record high of nearly \$33 billion out of \$135 billion in

In addition, we are increasingly working as a facilitator and catalyst for investment partnerships that involve the private sector. Through Power Africa, the United States government has committed to providing more than \$7 billion in financial support, loan guarantees, and technical assistance to increase power generation capacity and reliable access to electricity across sub-Saharan Africa.

In less than two years, this effort has leveraged more than \$20 billion in commitments from

is now more important than ever to tackle the Financing for Development agenda as a global community with a shared destiny.

We have achieved a strong and balanced outcome document through the last eight months of negotiations, which we can and should bring to closure. I encourage us to use the rest of our time in Addis to move to the next step — translating the Financing for Development framework into action that creates transformative change.

Through both financial and non-financial means, we can drive change that will put the world on