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Mr. Secretary-General,
Distinguished delegates,
Ladies and gentlemen,

The Summit of the Future represents a pivotal opportunity to shape a pathway toward a peaceful, sustainable, inclusive, resilient, and prosperous future, as articulated by UN Secretary-General António Guterres in his report, “Our Common Agenda.”

I would like to express my profound gratitude to the Permanent Representatives of Namibia and Germany for their successful co-facilitation of the preparations for this Summit.

I would also like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to UN Secretary-General Mr. António Guterres for initiating the **Global High Level Panel of Experts**, which aims to assess the progress of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, reinvigorate



inequalities, ensuring justice, and promoting science, technology, innovation, youth, and governance reform.

In preparation for this Summit, my country has organized series of events in collaboration with the UN. I take pride in highlighting our successful hosting