

Statement on the Agenda Items of the Provisional Agenda of the One Hundred and Fifth Session of the Executive Council by Ambassador H.E. Mr. Soe Lynn Han

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AGENDA ITEM TEN, Subitem 10 (e) – Implementation of the Action Plan on Geographical Representation

Mr. Chairperson,

- With respect to the draft decision on the "Implementation of the Action Plan on Geographical Representation," Myanmar believes the importance of recruiting staff from a broad geographical spectrum with an aim of addressing the issue of geographical representation while also addressing the diversity and inclusiveness within the composition of TS.
- We would like to thank Chairperson of the Working Group on Geographical Representation, Ambassador Mr. Jaime Moscoso Valenzuela of Chile and the GRULAC for their dedicated efforts on the implementation.

- Myanmar supports the Strategic Framework and Implementation Program developed by the TS in accordance with this Action Plan.
- We firmly believe that developing capacity building and training activities under Talent Acquisition Programme" in accordance with the Strategic Framework will increase a diverse pool of candidates with professional expertise from diverse geographical regions.
- I hereby would like to express Myanmar's willingness to collaborate with the TS to encourage the participation of the relevant professionals from Myanmar in these activities and create desirable candidates.
- Lastly, I would like to request this statement to be published as an official document of EC-105 and on the public website.

Thank you, Chairperson.
