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STATEMENT

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Mr. President,

Orderly migration plays an important role in promoting economic development and global inclusive growth, and enhance mutual understanding and cultural integration among nations. However, there are still challenges in the implementation of the GCM such as violations against the rights of migrants, the increasing risk of human smuggling and human trafficking, the lack of resources for implementation. Moreover, the COVID-19 pandemic has had a severe and disproportionate impact on migrants, especially discrimination, violence, restricted or lack of access to healthcare service and other basic services, including vaccines, social protection. It is therefore crucial to strengthen global partnerships to mobilize resources for the implementation process, focusing on emerging and priority issues and ensuring the certainty and predictability of safe and regular migration channels.

In this regard, the UN Migration Network should be more proactive in supporting on-going efforts at the global, regional, national, and local levels by taking into account the circumstances and priorities of each country and each region, as well as to engage with regional organizations, like ASEAN, to leverage new partnerships in our joint efforts for a better global migration governance.

Underdevelopment and poverty are among the main drivers of migration. The international community should accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including the target of promoting orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and population movement. Viet Nam supports strengthening international cooperation for development to help origin countries of migration to develop their economies, improve people's livelihoods and enhance capacity building in areas such as immigration administration, disaster relief and mitigation, and response to climate change.

Mr. President,

Viet Nam always supports an open, inclusive, impartial and comprehensive approach to migration. Viet Nam developed a Plan on the implementation of the GCM in 2020, based on the GCM's vision and guiding principles. The implementation has been carried out across relevant sectors to improve the quality and efficiency of international migration management, to create a transparent and accessible migration environment that respects the dignity of migrants and protects their rights and interests.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, despite limited resources, Viet Nam has spared no efforts to provide access to basic services for migrants. We have provided vaccinations for all foreigners living and working in Viet Nam, ensuring them equal access to vaccines like local people, regardless of nationality and residential status.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to the International Organization for Migration and other stakeholders for supporting our efforts towards enhancing safe, regular, and orderly migration.

In conclusion, Viet Nam look forward to further strengthening cooperation with countries and relevant stakeholders during the implementation process for the legitimate rights and interests of migrants.

Thank you./.