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and will have to complement each other. ODA will of course remain critical and relevant, but given the magnitude of the agenda, it will not be sufficient.

Monterrey and Doha also stressed the importance of the national and the international enabling environment for financing development. Conducive governance, international trade, external debt, enhanced cooperation in tax matters, and systemic issues – such as fostering the coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading system in support of sustainable development – continue to be integral aspects of the agenda. We heard concrete proposals in these areas, which should contribute to our deliberations in the coming months and help inform our agreements.

We also discussed new challenges and areas that have arisen since Monterrey. A successful outcome of the Addis Ababa Conference must be relevant to the post-2015 agenda. To this end, we will fully take into account the comprehensive vision of sustainable development articulated in the outcome document of Rio+20, focusing on the eradication of poverty and integration of the economic, social, and environmental dimensions of sustainable development, and the proposal for Sustainable Development Goals.

Several have said that Addis Ababa must be a Monterrey plus. But what is the plus? Sustainability is a key element that was not explored in Monterrey. The new post-2015 development agenda is also a universal agenda. We will have to consider how this factor will change our discussion.

In this regard, financing gaps in important areas for sustainable development, such as infrastructure, SMEs, innovation, and clean technologies have been stressed. We have discussed how to address these challenges and how to expand access to finance, particularly for women and for marginalized groups. We

sustainable development, including the SDGs. Our task going forward is to reach agreement both on the updated framework and on concrete deliverables.

In this context we look forward to work in a coherent fashion with the post-2015 process to avoid duplication.

In that regard, we noted the great interest by many in strengthening the follow-up process, ensuring that we will indeed stay engaged in implementing the agreements we reach at all levels.

If we retain the ambition that we have witnessed so far, then the Financing for Development Conference will be a real opportunity to spell out the means of implementation and provide a financing framework for the post-2015 development agenda and the SDGs.

Distinguished Delegates,

Many ideas have been presented during these eight days of deliberations. But in the coming months, we need to become more concrete. We need to be clear in defining the deliverables in Addis?

We challenge you take the outcome of these thematic sessions back to your capitals and engage all relevant ministries and stakeholders in discussion. This cannot be a task for any single ministry or institutions. Whole of government discussions will show what countries themselves can do to unlock finance, reform policies and use resources more efficiently and effectively. And we need suggestions on what we can do together, at a global level, to advance the agenda and progress the agenda of financing for development.

This call also goes out to the civil society, private sector, the WB, the IMF, WTO, UNCTAD, UNDP and the other institutional stakeholders. What can we all do together to confront the immense dual challenge we face, to fight poverty and to fight climate change.

Colleagues, after a well-deserved but brief break for the holiday season, our process will continue in January. We intend to present to you a set of elements no later than by 20 January at the latest, as a means to elicit further guidance from you. This paper will build on the deliberations held in the substantive sessions, while taking into consideration other relevant inputs as well, and highlight key elements that we consider critical in order to move forward. You

will have an opportunity to react to it in our first drafting session, which will take place from 27 to 29 January.

This drafting session, and the views and perspectives that you will present in its course, will then allow us to prepare a zero draft of the outcome document by the end of February.

In all our efforts we count on your continued engagement and support.

Thank you.