



**STATEMENT BY**

**Honourable Matsepo Ramakoae – Minister of Foreign Affairs and  
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Mr. Chairman,

The UN reports on SDGs give us a true picture of a post COVID 19 era of further struggle that will be faced by LDCs. Multilateralism and solidarity in the face of these adversities will be our only succor.

In this context Mr. Chairman, I wish to recognize that it is through your able guidance, that the plight of LDCs in the face of Covid-19 has been communicated to the UN System. We particularly welcome the statement issued by your office on behalf of LDCs which among others is calling for emergency public health package for LDCs; financial support for social protection system; education support for students; immediate fulfillment of 0.15 per cent of gross national income as ODA to least