



STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA BY MS. DAYANA RIOS, MINISTER COUNSELLOR IN THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS, ON AGENDA ITEMS 134 AND 18, PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 2014-2015, AND FOLLOW-UP TO AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OUTCOME OF THE 2002 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT AND THE 2008 REVIEW CONFERENCE, IN PARTICULAR, PROGRAMME BUDGET IMPLICATIONS OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/68/L.49, MODALITIES FOR THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT, AT THE SECOND PART OF THE RESUMED SIXTY-EIGHTH SESSION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE OF THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY (New York, 25 June 2014)

Mr. Chairman,

I have the honour to speak on behalf of the Group of 77 and China on agendas items 134 and 18, Programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015, and Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the 2008 Review Conference, in particular, Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/68/L.49, Modalities for the Third International Conference on Financing for Development.

The Group would like to thank Mr. Johannes Huisman, Director of Programme Planning and Budget Division, for introducing the report of the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly (A/C.5/68/24). The Group also wishes to thank you for drawing the Committee's attention to the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/68/7/Add.29) as well as to the statement of the Chair of the Advisory Committee.

The Group of 77 and China attaches great importance to the Third International Conference on Financing for Development and reinforces its vital role in elaborating a comprehensive approach to strengthen international cooperation for development.

The Group notes the additional requirements in the amount of \$1,808,700 under the programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 and fully supports the provision of the resources requested by the Secretary-General should the General Assembly adopt draft resolution A/68/L.49.

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, the Group of 77 and China would like to assure you of its commitment with negotiations in order to provide the necessary resources for the Third International Conference on Financing for Development to be prepared and take place successfully.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.