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*Enhancing the means of implementation*

Thank you for giving us the floor.

The current references to MOI are not consistent with the areas in the the 2030 agenda and the AAAA outcome.

The financial and non financial MOI, need to be categorized along the following headings:

- Domestic public resources
- Domestic and international private business and finance
- International development cooperation
- International trade as an engine for development
- Debt and debt sustainability
- Addressing systemic issues
- Science, technology, innovation and capacity building
- Data monitoring and followup

These should all be contextualised into their application at the human settlement level. Each category should list specific and measurable deliverables and commitments that reflect the people centered and planet sensitive orientation of the NUA.

Getting into a few specifics,

- We already raised the issue of illicit financial flows and the panama papers during our intervention in the hearings with policy units and want to stress that again. Tax avoidance is mentioned in paragraph 137. We should strengthen this to make it more actionable.
- On science and technology.- Currently in the zero draft there is no direct linkage to the newly established TFM or GSDR. Technologies are critical to deliver on many elements of the NUA. These linkages will help in enhance access to critical technologies and identifying current priorities and emerging issues in sustainable urban development. In previous sessions and hearings, we have called for a science and technology roadmap to help guide the implementation and review if the NUA. This is especially critical for an action-oriented agenda, as demonstrated by the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction. This best practice needs to be borrowed and appropriately applied to the Habitat III process. Harnessing the

potential of science, technology, and innovation is a necessary tool to achieve each aspect of the agenda. Furthermore, ICTs have an important role to

- On Partnerships - partnerships are referred to in Paragraph 143, 144 stakeholder engagement in 92-95, Participation for inclusive urban prosperity in PARA 65,66, and Enabling and strengthening participation in PARA 42-44. The issue laid here is about the inconsistency among them. We propose this to be edited and follow consistent language as a we have also submitted in the GAP Document.