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**Statement**

**by**

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Mr. Chair,

1. Thailand aligns itself with the statement delivered by Uruguay on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and would like to deliver the following statement in its national capacity.
2. It is projected that nearly 240 million people will be in need of humanitarian assistance in 2026. Indeed, we continue to see attacks on civilians, humanitarian personnel, and healthcare facilities, in violation of the core principles of international humanitarian law. Climate-related disasters and extreme-weather events are also intensifying displacement and humanitarian needs. And resources, as we all know, are stretched. So the picture is indeed concerning.
3. Therefore, what we need is a **humanitarian system that is more agile, coherent, cost-effective, and impactful**. In this regard, and as a country with a longstanding tradition of humanitarian diplomacy, Thailand welcomes the **Humanitarian Reset Initiative** and **New Humanitarian Compact**, and would like to underscore the following three points.
4. First, **humanitarian assistance must be timely, non-discriminatory and not be politicized, but instead should be grounded in humanitarian principles and respect for human rights**. Humanitarian action should reach all affected based on their needs, with priorities given to protecting the most vulnerable, including children, women and girls. The design and delivery of humanitarian aid must therefore be independent and impartial, while addressing existing inequalities that these groups face and protect their basic rights.
5. Second, **humanitarian and development projects should complement each other**. Humanitarian programmes must engage with local communities and support local infrastructure to build resilience in the long term. Greater attention should also be paid to displaced persons, whose displacement is increasingly driven by adverse effects of climate change, climate-related disasters and pandemics.
6. Third, resource constraints have forced regions with emerging and protracted crises to compete for financial support. Donors, aid recipients, the private sector and relevant partners therefore need to work hand in hand to **ensure predictable and adequate funding**. While funding through **large pooled funds** is important, we must also enhance funding **for local organizations** and increase **flexible and multi-year funding for long-term preparedness, resilience building, and anticipatory action**.

Mr. Chair,

7. The context in which we operate is more complex and challenging than ever. We must therefore adapt, with compassion and drive, and make strategic use of the resources available to ensure **a Reset that truly delivers**. Thailand stands ready to work with all partners in this endeavour.
8. I thank you.

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