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Statement

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**at the Informal Meeting of the Informal Ad hoc Working Group
on the UN80 Initiative**

Conference Room 2

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Co-Chairs,

1. Thailand expresses its appreciation to Ambassador Carolyn Schwalger and Ambassador Brian Wallace for convening this meeting and guiding us toward a draft resolution on the mandate implementation review process under the UN80 Initiative.
2. Thailand aligns itself with the statement delivered by Uruguay on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.
3. The UN80 Initiative will shape the United Nations we want for the future. This process therefore should remain **Member State-led, inclusive and transparent**.
4. We take note of the principles outlined in the zero draft, including the need to **enhance visibility and transparency of the mandate landscape, avoid duplication**, and ensure that mandates are regularly reviewed on the basis of data, analysis and evidence.

Co-Chairs,

5. Thailand would like to make three points regarding the draft resolution.
6. First, Thailand supports efforts to **consolidate and synergize overlapping mandates and activities** to reduce duplication and improve efficiency across the United Nations system. Such efforts should be undertaken on a **case-by-case basis** and with the **consent of Member States**, while ensuring that mandate delivery remains effective and continues to serve the purposes for which mandates were established.
7. Second, while we agree on the importance of enhanced strategic coordination across the UN system to respond to global challenges, it is equally important to ensure that new mandates are **practical to implement**, and that existing mandates remain **relevant** to evolving circumstances. In this regard, mandates should include clear timelines for implementation and review, and **piloting sunset clauses could be considered**.

8. Third, Thailand would welcome further clarity regarding the **future modalities, structure and timeline** of the Working Group on Mandate Implementation Review, including how it will operate going forward and how inclusive participation of all Member States will be ensured.

Co-Chairs,

9. Thailand stands ready to engage constructively so that this process contributes to a more coherent, effective and responsive United Nations, consistent with the purposes and principles of the Charter.

I thank you.

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