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Mr. President,

1. Thailand attaches great importance to a strong multilateral - regional interface, specifically between the United Nations and regional organizations. Cooperation to solve the common challenges of humanity, oftentimes requires multitrack efforts at all levels - global, regional, sub-regional and national -- especially if we seek to promote enduring peace, human security and sustainable development.

2. At many times, if not all the time, the regional perspective provides greater insights as to how sustainable solutions to address a particular regional challenge should be pursued. So, the voices of the affected region matter. The accumulated generational wisdom of the region matters. The concerns, short term and long term, of the region matter. At the same time the global perspective can be helpful, insightful and supportive. It's a two-way cooperation: the region can enhance the global agenda and then the multilateral system can help support the regional agenda.

3. That is why cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations is important, especially when the global interests and regional interests align. But even when they don't converge completely, it is far better for dialogue and cooperation to be pursued to close gaps and help find an effective way forward together, rationalize resources and enhance complementarities.

4. In sum, Thailand does hope cooperation and coordination, specifically between the UN and regional organizations, resulting in better synergies, will continue to be strengthened as we take forward the work on Our Common Agenda at the global level, for example, and advance the mutual interest of our peoples at the regional level. In short, our global community is far stronger with close partnerships between the UN and regional organizations.

Thank you, Mr. President.
