

Summary of official meetings

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General Assembly

Second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation

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Interactive panel discussion 1

Comparative advantages and opportunities of South-South cooperation and sharing of experiences, best practices and success stories

The Co-Chair of interactive panel discussion 1, His Excellency Abulkalam Abdul Momen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh, opened the dialogue and made a statement. The panel was co-chaired by Her Excellency Sahar Ahmed Mohamed Abdelmoneim Nasr, Minister of Investment and International Cooperation of Egypt, who also made a statement.

The following panelists made presentations: Mr. Dongyu Qu, Vice Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of China; Mr. Rahman Nurdun, Deputy President of the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA); Mr. Jorge Moreira da Silva, Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); Ms. Cornelia Richter, Vice President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD); and Mr. Enrique Maruri, Director of Advocacy and Campaigns, Oxfam Intermón, OXFAM.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia, Nigeria, Guinea, Jordan, South Africa, Canada, Cuba, Brazil, and Sierra Leone.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following intergovernmental organizations and other entities: the Fund for the Development of the Indigenous Peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean (FILAC); the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); the Latin American Economic System (SELA); and the Commonwealth Secretariat.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following specialized agencies, funds and programmes and United Nations system entities: the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe; the United Nations Office of Counter Terrorism; the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; the United Nations Environment Programme, the International Labour Organization, and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations and other relevant stakeholders: South American

Institute of Government in Health; and the International Trade Union Confederation.

The Panelists responded to comments and questions raised from the floor.

The Permanent Representative of Bangladesh, on behalf of the Co-Chair (Bangladesh) reflected on the views expressed, while the Co-Chair (Egypt) delivered closing remarks and declared closed the interactive panel discussion 1 on “Comparative advantages and opportunities of South-South cooperation and sharing of experiences, best practices and success stories.