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### **Draft Doha Political Declaration submitted by the President of the Conference**

1. We, the Heads of State and Government and representatives of States, met in Doha, State of Qatar, from 5 to 9 March 2023 at the second part of the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries. We welcome the Doha Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries adopted at the first part of the Conference, held on 17 March 2022, and endorsed by the General Assembly on 1 April 2022.<sup>1</sup>
2. We recognize that, despite some positive results in certain areas of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011–2020,<sup>2</sup> progress fell short of the goals and targets set out therein and note with concern that the least developed countries remain marginalized in the world economy and continue to suffer from extreme poverty, inequality and structural weaknesses.
3. We strongly commit ourselves to the implementation of the Doha Programme of Action throughout the coming decade, including its six priority areas, and advancing the concrete deliverables outlined therein, with respect to exploring the feasibility of a system of stockholding or alternative means, such as cash transfers; an online university or other equivalent platforms; an international investment support centre; a sustainable graduation support facility; and comprehensive multi-hazard crisis mitigation and resilience-building measures for least developed countries. We reiterate our support for the Technology Bank for the Least Developed Countries in strengthening the science, technology and innovation capacity of least developed countries for structural transformation and productive capacity development.
4. We request the Secretary-General to ensure the full mobilization and coordination of all parts of the United Nations system to facilitate coordinated implementation and coherence in the follow-up to and monitoring of the Doha Programme of Action at the national, subregional, regional and global levels.

<sup>1</sup> General Assembly resolution 76/258, annex.

<sup>2</sup> *Report of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Istanbul, Turkey, 9–13 May 2011 (A/CONF.219/7)*, chap. II.



5. We express our profound appreciation to the Government of the State of Qatar for hosting the second part of the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries in an excellent manner and extending extraordinary support and warm hospitality to our delegations.

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