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The Secretary-General has received the following statement, which is being circulated in accordance with paragraphs 36 and 37 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Statement

Eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, is the greatest global challenge and an indispensable requirement for sustainable development.

The WAPO suggests a few key points to attack this major problem of poverty:

- To tax the super rich in the world and reinvest in people and governments, ending austerity and activate education and economical evolutionary cycles — One trillion dollars. This “global stimulus” could change the world if a 5% tax hike is imposed on the “top decile” — the 10% richest segment of the population, a report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) is proposing;
- To cap the growth of large global corporations with tax levels and to create a funnel to create atrophy in their growth after a certain level of growth, in order that other business can grow as well, to balance market dominance and fairness;
- A universal basic income proportional to the economy of the country;
- Creation of local entrepreneurship centers with online reach;
- A United Nation Parliamentary assembly — to bring global law under global sovereignty of the people of the world to efficiently bring economic and spiritual balance and peace;
- Access to micro-resources and micro-credit local systems;
- Contributing to make valuable and focused Education available to all;
- Access to renewable and cheap energy allow people to pay less for energy in order to invest that money in other areas of their life and business. Research for new forms of energy is indispensable;

The WAPO foresees that these major points would be efficient and effective in tackling poverty at the root and accelerate the process; we must push ourselves to strategically, intelligently and efficiently balance at global level and in universal justice the synchronization with all the people of the world and their activities and representations, so that relative peace and equity could flourish.
