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Mr. Chairman
Ladies and gentlemen

I have the honour to address this august summit on behalf of His Excellency Filipe Jacinto Nyusi, President of the Republic of Mozambique.

I would like to express my gratitude to the people and Government of Turkey for the hospitality and for the arrangements made for the successful hosting of this event.

Mr. Chairman

This Summit complements the development framework and the international development commitments adopted in 2015.

Mozambique welcomes the report of the Secretary General as it adds value to our efforts to bring a new vision in addressing humanitarian issues, one that is inclusive, universal and human centered, based on values of humanity and solidarity.

Mr. Chairman

The measures undertaken by the Government of Mozambique to implement the Master Plan for Mitigation of Natural Disasters, have contributed to the materialization of the national development agenda.

Notwithstanding the achievements, several challenges constrain the realization of our goal to achieve the target of zero mortality in future disasters, in line with the Sendai Framework, as well as the full realization of measures for prevention, mitigation and response to extreme events.

Mr. Chairman

In addition to natural disasters, migration and refugees represent one of the most pressing and complex challenges of our times. We face a global crisis with no precedents since the II World War. Hence, it calls for ambitious, timely and coordinated global responses.

The effectiveness of these responses demand political will to address the root causes of these flows of migrants and refugees in a transparent manner, making our interventions more sustainable, especially if we consider that the funds for humani-

tarian assistance have reduced during the last years. In this endeavour, the UN and the regional organizations are called to play their role in line with their mandates.

Mozambique subscribes the call to include the indicators of early warning as a measure to prevent the outbreak of humanitarian crises. We cannot continue to ignore these signs, given the obvious cost-effect for prevention. There is also the need to change the paradigm of operations of the humanitarian community, so that it is consistent with the reality of our times.

Mr. Chairman

I would like to conclude my remarks by reiterating the commitment of the Government of the Republic of Mozambique to continue engaged in the observance of the humanitarian principles.

Thank you for your attention.