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Mr. Chairman and Co-Chairman,
Your Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is indeed my great honor and pleasure to join all of you at this meaningful First World Humanitarian Summit, taking place in the charming Istanbul City. The Lao PDR does believe that effective implementation of the First World Summit on Humanitarian requires steady and successful realization of the Sustainable Development Goals, the Paris Agreement as well as efficient management of natural resources. It does also call on strong commitment and political will of all States and Governments, a win-win approach, sufficient budget, qualified human resources and efficient coordination.

The Lao PDR is a fervent advocate of the global climate change agenda. We fully recognize the challenges posed by climate change as a critical development issue. We are implementing our Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) and have mainstreamed Climate Change and Disaster Risks Reduction, along with the Sustainable Development Goals, in our Social Economic Development Plan for the years to come. We wish the Summit outcomes reflecting the win-win approach.

Thank you very much