



**STATEMENT OF THE G-77 AND CHINA DURING THE IAEA BOARD
OF GOVERNORS MEETING, 23 SEPTEMBER 2019**

**DELIVERED BY H.E. AMBASSADOR OMAR AMAR YOUSSEF,
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF EGYPT**

Agenda item 6: Any other business

Madam Chairperson, [H.E. Ambassador Ms. Mikaela KUMLIN GRANIT,
Permanent Representative of Sweden]

1. I have the honor to speak on behalf of the Group of 77 and China to thank the outgoing Chair, Her Excellency Ambassador Leena AL-HADID, Permanent Representative of Jordan, for her successful Chairmanship of the Board of Governors between the 62nd and 63rd sessions of the General Conference.
2. The Group of 77 commends Ambassador AL-HADID and her team for their dedication and hard work over the past year. We wish her all the very best in her future endeavors.
3. The Group would also like to take this opportunity to express its appreciation to the President of the General Conference, Her Excellency Alicia BUENROSTRO MASSIEU of Mexico, for her excellent work and for her able stewardship of the 63rd session of the General Conference.
4. The Group also commends H.E. Ambassador Maria Cleofe NATIVIDAD for her outstanding Chairmanship of the Committee of the Whole. A historic moment to have finished with the COW in 1 ½ days.

Madam Chairperson,

5. On behalf of the Group, I wish to congratulate you Madam Chair for assuming the chairmanship of the Board of Governors for the coming year. Our congratulations go also to your Vice-Chairs.
6. The G-77 and China is confident that the Board will remain in good and steady hands as we move forward with the work of the Agency. Rest assured that you have the full support of the Group.

Thank you, Madam Chairperson.