



## Talking points for H.E. Ambassador Azzeddine Farhane during the 66<sup>th</sup> IAEA General Conference, 26-30 September 2022

### Committee of the Whole

Mr. Chairman, [Mr. Mandlenkosi Lunga BENGU, Deputy Permanent Representative of South Africa]

1. On behalf of the Group of 77 and China, let me at the outset congratulate you on your election as Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole. It is great to see a distinguished member of the Group in this position. At the same time let me also thank the Secretariat for organizing this session.

2. The Group is confident that you will steer the COW with great skills and professionalism for its successful and fruitful conclusion. Be assured of the Group's full commitment and cooperation during this week's discussions and negotiations.

3. I wish to inform you that the Group of 77, has as in the past presented the following draft resolutions, which are before us for consideration of the COW:

- Strengthening the Agency's technical cooperation activities (Pakistan)
- Programme of Action for Cancer Therapy (Philippines)
- Strengthening the Agency's activities related to nuclear science, technology and applications: Non-power nuclear applications:
  - General Part (India)
  - Support to the African Union's Pan Tsetse and Trypanosomosis Eradication Campaign (AU-PATTEC) (Nigeria)
  - Renovation of the Agency's Nuclear Applications Laboratories at Seibersdorf (South Africa)
  - Zoonotic Disease Integrated Action (ZODIAC) Project (South Africa)
  - Use of isotope hydrology for water resources management (India)
  - Development of the sterile insect technique for the control or eradication of malaria-, dengue- and other disease-transmitting mosquitoes; (Nigeria)
  - Plan for producing potable water economically using small and medium-sized nuclear reactors (Morocco)
  - Strengthening the support to Member States in food and agriculture (Indonesia)

4. With this, let me also thank the G-77 Force Coordinator, Mr. Amir Saeed, from the Permanent Mission of Pakistan for his remarkable and outstanding work in coordinating the Group for the last months, as well as the penholders of the G-77 Draft Resolutions for their efforts in preparation of this Conference.

5. I now kindly ask Mr. Amir Saeed to briefly explain the negotiation process and to introduce our first Draft Resolution on Technical Cooperation. During the next days the different penholders of the G-77 Draft Resolutions will be introducing the respective draft resolutions in due course.

5. Let me once again assure you, Mr. Chairman, of the Groups full commitment and good spirit of cooperation during the this week's deliberations.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.