

MALAWI'S CONTRIBUTION TO AGENDA ITEM 7

The Chairperson of the Board

The Executive Director of UN-Habitat

Excellences present here

Ladies and gentlemen

First and foremost, we the delegation from the Republic of Malawi, just like other speakers have spoken yesterday and continue to speak in support of various reports presented, would like to thank you Chairperson for the work well done to organise this Executive Board meeting.

Mr Chair,

My delegation would like to appreciate the works done by UN-Habitat to UN member states, through the visionary leadership of Her Excellency Maimunah Mohd Sharif. We particularly, would like to commend UN-Habitat for the works it is carrying out in various sectors in different countries mentioned and Malawi in particular.

Mr Chair,

Our country has benefited from UN-Habitat through various interventions such as; projects in building Urban Climate Resilience in South-Eastern Africa, especially in areas which were affected by Cyclone Idai, with financial support from the Adaptation Fund. The project aims at building resilience of urban areas to effects of climate change. Nature based solutions projects as a means of mitigation against climate change. Not only has UN-Habitat assisted through financial support in these projects, we have also benefited through capacity building in other sectors.

For instance, Malawi is one of the 13 countries in Africa that has been identified to pilot the Degree of Urbanisation (DEGURBA) approach to generate comparable urban data for the reporting of the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals.

Mr Chair,

Malawi would like to pledge continued support to UN-Habitat activities, by honouring our annual voluntary contributions which we have been making in the past years.

With those few remarks Excellency Chair, Executive Director, I thank you.