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My delegation welcomes the updates provided by the Secretariat on the preparations for WUF12. Egypt believes that WUF12 presents an opportunity to showcase the multi-level urban transformation of Cairo. "It all starts at home". This slogan was carefully selected to reflect the urban transformation that a Megacity such as Cairo is witnessing, as well as to emphasize the urgency to localize SDGs. WUF12 comes at a juncture where we only have 6 years left to deliver SDGs. Egypt believes in localization as a solution.

Through the thematic discussions of WUF12 and side-events, we are looking forward to having an outcome that contributes to advancing the Global Urbanization Agenda, and the implementation of SDGs. WUF12 will continue hammering on issues raised in previous WUFs and the UN-Habitat Assemblies.

Visas will be facilitated by the Egyptian Embassies all over the world, regulations and travel advice will be communicated in due course. Egypt is committed to hosting an inclusive WUF, accessible to all stakeholders.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in Cairo next year.