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TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE
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STATEMENT BY
HIS EXCELLENCY AMBASSADOR GERALDO SARANGA,
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE REPUBLIC OF
MOZAMBIQUE TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA AT THE 75TH
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Madam Chairperson,
Mr. High Commissioner,
Excellencies,
Ladies and Gentlemen!

My delegation would like to commend the Chairperson for the excellent manner in which is conducting the proceedings of this Executive Committee. We want to assure you Madam Chair of Mozambique's cooperation throughout the session.

Our compliments go also to **Mr. Filippo Grandi** and all UNHCR personnel for their tireless work of assistance to refugees and forced displaced persons around the world, especially in these challenging times of

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increased armed conflicts and climate related crisis, whose consequences are felt in all the continents.

Madam Chairperson,

Recent data indicates that Mozambique hosts around 26.000 refugees and asylum seekers, who are being assisted by the Government of Mozambique, in coordination with UNHCR. We provide shelter, documentation, protection, access to health care, education and income-generating activities.

The provision of these services requires extra resources from the Government of Mozambique. To cope with the scarcity of resources, we would like to join our voice to that of the UNHCR, in calling upon countries, donors and other stakeholders to increase funding for the cause of refugees and asylum seekers.

Apart from the refugees, Mozambique has registered around 550.000 IDP's, as a result of terrorist attacks in the Northern Province of Cabo Delgado.

As a result of the improvement of security situation in the Cabo Delgado, around 632.000 people have returned to their homes. It is worth mentioning the fundamental assistance we are receiving from the UNHCR and other UN Agencies for the IDP's in Mozambique.

In March 2024, the High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. **Filipo Grandi** and the UN Secretary-General's Special Adviser on Solutions to Internal

Displacement, **Robert Piper**, paid a visit to Mozambique, during which both parties discussed the issue of the IDP's and the way forward.

Madam Chairperson,

Mozambique has concluded the Study on Statelessness Situation in the Country, in coordination with UNHCR. The Study is a blueprint of risks and threats to statelessness and provides the way forward to address situation, in line with the UNHCR's 10 Key Global Actions and Recommendations to end Statelessness.

In this matter, we remain committed to continue working with the UNHCR and we welcome the [Launching of the Global Alliance to End Statelessness](#).

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In closing, Madam Chairperson, we would like to reiterate the importance of "**finding solutions for displacement crisis**", as mentioned in the intervention of the High Commissioner, whether addressing its root causes or intervening after displacement has occurred.

In this perspective, we strongly support the UNHCR in the application of its resources with increasing focus on the [impact area](#) of solutions.

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Thank you, Madam Chairperson!