(SDG 16: Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels)

Mr. Chair,

As an action plan common to humanity, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development aims to eradicate social inequality and poverty and ensure human dignity and his creative ability and further commits to building a new world guaranteeing the plentiful lives for both present and future generations.

The government of the DPRK remains consistent in its policy of thoroughly implementing the people-first policy in all activities of the state and social life and ensures genuine democratic rights and freedoms as well as adequate material and cultural life for all citizens.

Last year alone, the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK newly enacted, amended and supplemented 110 sectoral laws and regulations such as the laws on people's health, the compensation for labour and the rights of persons with disabilities.

The method electing deputies to the People's Assemblies at all levels has improved its democratic nature in such a way as to emphasize the people-oriented character of our Republic and further strengthen the work of power organs.
In order to promote social development, the government of the DPRK built more than 20,000 dwelling houses in mining villages in the last four years and in rural areas alone last year, more than 58,000 houses which amount to over 2 times more than previous year and many facilities for cultural and leisure activities were newly built.

Since 2021, 10,000 living flats have been built in Pyongyang every year to be allocated to ordinary working people free of charge.

This year, the government of our republic has adopted the "Regional Development 20 X 10 Policy" in order to overcome regional imbalances, eliminate the gap between the capital and local areas and raise the people's material and cultural standards to a higher level.

Thanks to this Policy, modern local industrial factories will be newly built in 20 counties every year and by so doing all 200 counties across the DPRK will be equipped with such factories in 10 years, thus improving better the material and cultural life of the local people.

While continuing to implement the free socialist public health policy, the government of our republic is actively stepping up the strengthening of the public health and anti-epidemic capacity of the state, including by building pharmaceutical factories, medical goods factories and facilities for preventing diseases.

Mr. Chair,

Despite the continued challenges of the hostile forces to block our
advance, the DPRK government remains invariable in its will to open up a new phase of national prosperity and attain the ideal and goal of a powerful nation by our own efforts.

The DPRK government will create a new history of an overall national prosperity by relying on our own resources, technology, strength and efforts under the banner of self-reliance and self-development no matter how the situation and environment change and further strengthen the collaboration with international community for the implementation of sustainable development goals.

Thank you.