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Excellency Chairperson of the 78 Commission,
Excellencies distinguished delegates,
Ladies and gentlemen,

It was a privilege and honour for me to Chair the ministerial segment of the fourth Ministerial Conference on Transport held from 14 to 17 December 2021. I would like to briefly present the outcomes of the Conference here today at the Seventy Eight session of the Commission.

The Conference deliberated against challenges in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and called upon stakeholders to further intensify efforts to address the region's sustainability performance and enhance resilience to future crises after two years of disruption to supply chains, transport connectivity and mobility caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Conference also discussed strategies for scaling up sustainable transport initiatives in Asia and the Pacific, as well as reviewed pathways towards efficient and resilient transport and logistics networks, environmentally sustainable transport systems, as well as safe and inclusive transport and mobility.

The Ministerial Conference culminated in the adoption of the Ministerial Declaration on Sustainable Transport Development in Asia and the Pacific and the Regional Action Programme for Sustainable Transport Development in Asia and the Pacific in 2022–2026. The Conference has also decided to convene the next Ministerial Conference on Transport in 2026 to evaluate the implementation of the Regional Action Programme and to consider a future programme of work.

The adopted Regional Action Programme for Sustainable Transport Development in Asia and the Pacific (2022–2026) identifies **seven priority areas** as follows: Regional land transport connectivity and logistics, Maritime and interregional transport connectivity, Digitalization of transport, Low-carbon mobility and logistics, Urban transport, Road traffic safety, and Inclusive transport and mobility.

The Ministerial Declaration and Regional Action Programme are fully aligned with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

and also support the theme of this year's Commission Session "A common agenda to advance sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific".

On behalf of the Conference, I welcome and count on the continued cooperation of the Commission and its members to our collective efforts towards development of sustainable, inclusive as well as resilient transport systems and services in our region.

Indonesia has submitted a draft resolution on the "Implementation of the Ministerial Declaration on Sustainable Transport Development in Asia and the Pacific" that was reviewed by the Informal Working Group on Draft Resolutions. Therefore, I seek support of the members of the Commission for its adoption.

Thank you Chair.