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Royal Government of Cambodia

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Ladies and gentlemen

I would like starting my statement by deeply thank ESCAP, UNICEF, UNHCR, UNFPA, UNDP, WHO, ADB and Plan International that make significant support and organize this important conference and are also warmly welcoming all distinguish senior officials from the Asia and the Pacific region assembled at this conference.

Now let's me take this opportunity to address some key matters that Cambodia stands in preparing to implement the Regional Action Framework as follow:

In general, Cambodia is strongly support and commits more efforts to implement this important Regional Action Framework. Recently, Royal Government of Cambodia decided to establish the General Department of Identification (GDI) within Ministry of Interior in order to improve and strengthen CRVS and identification management system. After its establishment, the General Department developed its own "Preliminary Plan for Identification Management 2014-2015", which is a visionary plan toward the formulation of "The 10 years National Strategic Planning on CRVS and Identification (2015-2024)".

In the alignment with the Regional Action Framework, the 10 years National Strategic Planning will be developed inline with the goals and action areas that specify by the regional action framework and also set out the national targets. In the formulating process of the national strategic plan, Ministry of Interior will closely coordinate with Ministry of Health, Ministry of Planning and the other relevant stakeholders to make sure the efficient functioning of CRVS systems and take into account the multi-sectoral and integrated nature of civil registration services.

This occasion, I would like to thank to Unicef, Plan International, WHO, ADB and other development partners that provided substantial support to civil registration and vital statistics in Cambodia and strongly request for more financials and technical supports, especially during the formulating and implementing the national strategic plan in order to realize the universal of CRVS.

**I thank you for your kind attention**