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Mr. /Mrs. Chair,

Distinguished participants,

As we all know, the world is at a crossroads to determine the new disaster management strategy "Post-2015 Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction." Disaster risk reduction efforts have had a cumulative approach since the 1994. In this regard, to evaluate the HFA, countries have shown significant progress on the HFA's priorities.

Overall, the HFA has provided critical guidance to reduce disaster risk. Its implementation has, however, highlighted gaps in addressing "underlying risk factors," the formulation of goals and priorities for actions, and the need to update and reorder them. It also highlighted the need to give the necessary visibility to all levels of implementation, and place emphasis on stakeholders and their role. Post 2015 framework for DRR focus 5 pillars:

- 1) Understanding Disaster Risk
- 2) Governance and Mainstream DRR
- 3) Prevention and Mitigation
- 4) Preperadness
- 5) Build Back Better,

As it is known, HFA2 contribution processes was performed by means of countries, their regional and global cooperation and feedback. In this regard, European Forum for Disaster Risks Reduction (EFDRR), one of the regional collaborators, has contributed to HFA's framework document, as well as the other contributions, by sending the reports that they published through 3 Working Groups to the writers of Geneva post 2015 framework for DRR. Turkey has discharged a significant responsibility about an important issue that EFDRR pays attention to by preparing the WG3 Report on "Governance and Accountability" and therefore it has been praised. In this regard it's not a coincidence that the title GOVERNANCE has taken place in zero draft document as 2. PRIORITY.

The first meeting of Safe School Leaders was hosted by AFAD and jointly organized with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) on 30-31 October in Istanbul. During the meeting, governments confirmed their commitment to the Worldwide Initiative for Safe Schools and their plans on safe school implementation and over the coming years and decade. Moreover, governments also committed to the development of a "Roadmap for the World Wide Initiative for Safe Schools-From Istanbul to Sendai and Beyond," to be presented at the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in

March 2015 in Sendai. Turkey committed to support selected neighboring countries with technical expertise in the area of school safety.

While discussing the HFA2, we should be able to design mechanisms with a view to providing greater endorsement and wider implementation. We should consider establishing efficient, flexible, and user-friendly measures, which would ultimately inspire the implementation of HFA2 at the local, national, and regional levels. We should refrain from drawing frameworks that will not suit all regions or all types of disasters.

DRR efforts should not be expected only from the authorities. Each individual, each member of a family, and each employer should be encouraged to take the necessary measures to protect themselves, their loved ones, and their investments against a disaster. We should accept the responsibility for helping everyone determine risks and reducing them.

While there is a link between the DRR and the development processes, we believe that another link should be made with the humanitarian aspect. In this framework, the discussions within the World Humanitarian Summit's "Reducing Vulnerability and Risk Management" theme will be very relevant.