



**Statement by H.E. Mr. Luvsantseren Enkh-Amgalan, Deputy Speaker
of the Parliament of Mongolia, at the General Debate on the
Strengthening the global regime for migrants and refugees: the need
for evidence-based policy solutions**

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Dear President,

Distinguished parliamentarians,

On behalf of the delegation of the Parliament of Mongolia, I would like to convey our sincere and warm greetings to the participants of the 138th Assembly of the IPU and wish success in the work of the Assembly and related meetings.

My delegation fully supports the agenda of this 138th Assembly as it reflects on a number of timely issues, such as the migrants and refugees, sustaining peace as a vehicle for achieving sustainable peace, women's political participation, human rights, peace and security.

Honorable Chairperson,

Honorable Parliamentarians,

Mongolia's 2030 National Sustainable Development Agenda was adopted by the Parliament in 2016. By 2030, the National Development Agenda expects to ensure better protection of the economic and social rights of Mongolians through the eradication of poverty via inclusive and sustainable economic growth, reduction of inequality, improved educational and health services and ensuring ecological balance and green development, while building effective, transparent governance institutions.

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change offer us an opportunity to safeguard economic and social rights for all. Thus, the Parliament of Mongolia ratified the Paris Agreement on Climate Change in 2016 and working on its full and meaningful implementation.

International peace and security have been changing rapidly in the face of globalization. In order to address the existing and emerging global issues, particularly those in Northeast Asia, Mongolia hosts the Ulaanbaatar Dialogue on Northeast Asian Security. During its Conference which was held in June last year for example, the participants discussed Northeast Asian cooperation on energy and the issues concerning water.

Distinguished delegates,

Mongolia has been serving as a Member State of the United Nations Human Rights Council since 2016. As a society based on the values of human rights and democracy, we strive to contribute to the Council's role as a platform for open discussion on human rights issues. Mongolia is focusing particularly on ensuring **gender equality, human rights**, peace and security.

We understand that today's General Debate on the Strengthening the global regime for migrants and refugees: the need for evidence-based policy solutions will contribute to the effective coordination of joint efforts aimed at protecting and improving the rights and living conditions of those people who are in need.

The current humanitarian emergencies require comprehensive responses which ought to include 3 elements: 1. ensuring dignity for refugees, 2. support for host countries and 3. addressing the root causes of the migration. It is the shared responsibility of all of us to promote safe movement of persons and respect international refugee law, human rights and humanitarian law.

Mr. Chair, it is certain that efforts of and cooperation among the Parliamentarians are crucial in finding solutions to challenge the serious

issues we are discussing today. And me and my delegation are fully confident that this General Debate and related meetings shall contribute to the discussion and adoption of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration and the Global Compact for Refugees.

I thank you for your attention.