Thank you very much for the invitation and the opportunity to contribute to this timely discussion. In my capacity as PBC Chair, I am speaking today from the perspective of a client if I may say so, having witnessed firsthand the important contributions of the Joint UNDP-DPPA Programme, and those of the Peace and Development Advisors in particular, to the work of the Commission. In preparation of the 2022 Program of Work, I have been consulting with representatives of countries and regions who engage with the Commission. Many have emphasized the need to continue promoting and supporting inclusive Finally, let me note the upcoming High Level Meeting on Peacebuilding Financing in April. I look forward to constructive engagement in advance of this meeting, to formulate and agree on tangible steps to reach adequate, sustainable and predictable funding for peacebuilding.

Thank you for your attention.

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