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Secretary-General, Heads of State, Prime Ministers, Excellencies,

I want to start by thanking the organisers of the event.

We align with the statement delivered by the European Union

30 years ago, world leaders gathered in Copenhagen, Denmark, for the first World Social Summit with the ambition to eradicate poverty, promote full employment, and foster social integration.

There has been a lot of progress since Copenhagen however, many remain unmet.

Therefore, this Summit constitutes a welcome opportunity to take stock and re-commit to these important objectives.

Rebuilding the social contract through a comprehensive approach based on human rights, fundamental freedoms and labour standards is key

[Global udvikling og fattigdomsbekæmpelse]

First and foremost, this Summit gives us an opportunity to reaffirm our collective resolve to make social and sustainable development the cornerstone of our global efforts. And to move faster towards realizing the 2030 Agenda.

As I said, progress has been made in many areas. More people have access to jobs, education, and healthcare. But too many are still left behind. Inequality is widening, and opportunities for a decent life are still out of reach for far too many.

Denmark believes that sustainable development must rest on a strong social foundation. One that protects the most vulnerable, empowers people through education, and promotes equality and inclusion.

That is also why Denmark for more than 45 years has delivered on the UN target of 0.7 per cent in ODA. We call on fellow member states to join us in this long-term investment in our shared future.

[Køn/Ligestilling]

This year, as we mark the 30th anniversary of the Copenhagen Declaration, we also mark that 30 years ago in Beijing, 189 countries declared that "women's rights are human rights".

The commitments of Beijing have transformed the lives of millions of women and girls around the world, but challenges persist.

If we are to meet our shared goals, including the SDG's, we must implement a transformative approach to gender equality, women and girls' rights, including sexual and reproductive health and rights.

We must also tackle multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination, ensure inclusion, reduce the gender pay gap and end sexual and genderbased violence and harassment in the world of work

[Beskæftigelse]

Finally, freedom of association, social dialogue, collective bargaining, and tripartism are fundamental pillars of our efforts to ensure decent work for all. Coming from a country with more than 125 years of strong traditions in social dialogue, we have extensive experience at national level in how such dialogue contributes to fair

working conditions, quality jobs with adequate remuneration and competitiveness.

Also at global level, social dialogue is crucial. Even more so during challenging times

In this, the International Labour Organization plays a unique role in ensuring good, safe and fair working conditions for all.

Therefore, we are pleased to see the recognition of the ILO and its constituents in the declaration.

[Afslutning]

In a world of rapid change and growing uncertainty, we must not lose sight of how far we have come since we were gathered in Copenhagen 30 years ago.

We hope this Summit will give renewed momentum, rekindling the spirit of cooperation; and progress towards an ever-stronger global social contract.

One grounded in solidarity, human rights, including labour rights, and not least multilateralism.

Thank you.