INTERVENTION AND NATIONAL STATEMENTS – S.R. OF VIET NAM 52nd SESSION OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD, UNIDO

(Agenda Item 3: Annual report of the Director General for 2023 25 November, 2024)

Madam President,

Director General Gerd Muller,

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

- 1. Viet Nam would like to join other delegations to congratulate Her Excellency Ambassador Gabriela Sellner, the Permanent Mission of Austria on your election as the President of the 52nd Industrial Development Board as well as the rest of Bureau. We reaffirm our commitments to support UNIDO to carry out all programs and initiatives.
- 2. We also would like to thank His Excellency Ambassador Mr. Magdi Ahmed Mofadal Elnour, President and members of the 51st Bureau and UNIDO Office, the Permanent Mission Office for your diligent and valuable work in facilitating us to participate a lot of technical workshops and important meetings.
- 3. Viet Nam extends sincere appreciation and continuous support to Director General Dr. Gerd Muller for his excellent leadership and wish this session will archive the best constructive discussion and fruitful conclusions.
- 4. We align ourselves with the statement of the Group of 77 and China and would like to add several remarks in its national capacity.
- 5. Over the past four decades of reform, Vietnam has developed and implemented a series of policies aimed at multidimensional, inclusive and sustainable poverty reduction. As a result, the poverty reduction effort has achieved impressive results. The Government of Viet Nam has set a goal of upper-middle income status by 2030; the industrialized and modernized high income economy by 2045; and net zero emission by 2050.
- 6. We would like to focus on developing new productive forces as the main driving force for development, especially legal reforms, economic development based on high-tech and eco-industries, strategic infrastructure for transportation, digital transformation, green transformation. We acknowledge that technology is crucial for our viable and long-term solution for economic growth, environmental sustainability

- and climate resilience, creating a solid foundation for Viet Nam to enter a new era of development.
- 7. Viet Nam highly appreciates the support of UNIDO, notably several UNDIO high-ranking delegations to Viet Nam in 2024 to accelerate the UNIDO Country Program 2025-2028; the Industrial Development Law to promote fundamental and comprehensive transformation of the economy and social life on the basis of science-technology innovation; and the Law on Industrial Zones, the transformation of Industrial Zones to Eco-Industrial Parks for both the private sector and local authorities in attracting quality, high-tech investment and green, low-carbon transition in Vietnam.
- 8. We appreciate the good progresses at UNIDO outlined in the Director General's report. We encourage UNIDO to continue its commitment to advance gender equality and the empowerment of women and mainstream gender into its projects and the Organization.
- 9. We hope that UNIDO will continue effectively instruct and assist Member States to follow the course of national industrialization and modernization, and successfully achieve countries development goals.

Thank you, President!