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**STATEMENT
by the representative of the Russian Federation
at the first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board**

New York, 8 February 2023

Mr. President,

The Russian Federation expresses its full support for the UNICEF CPD for the Islamic Republic of Iran, developed in full compliance with the provisions of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, as well as Iran's national development plans and priorities.

We deeply regret the attempts of some delegations to politicize the process of the document approval. Such actions violate the principles of the work of this Executive Board, whose activities should be aimed at supporting UNICEF in the implementation of its mandate in the interests of children of all countries without exception.

I thank you.