

Mr President

The Secretary General of the conference

Hon. Ministers

Distinguished participants

While Malawi welcomes the adoption of the Addis Ababa Agenda for Action, my delegation would like to register its **strong reservation** on paragraph 32 of the FfD3 Outcome Document. The paragraph does not take into account the consequences on tobacco producing countries like Malawi, whose economies substantially depend on tobacco production.

In respect of tobacco producing countries, we would have liked paragraph 32 to end as follows:

"In order not to leave anyone behind, countries whose economies substantially dependent on tobacco production, in parallel such countries must be supported and compensated for the loss of revenue within the framework of the United Nations and other international aid agencies as they diversify out of tobacco"

Submitted by the Malawi Government