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The General Conference,

Noting that H.E. Mr Mohamed Sameh Amr will conclude his term of office as Chairperson of the Executive Board, which he has held since 22 November 2013, at the end of the 38th session of the General Conference,

Recalling the professionalism and dedication with which he assumed his role as Chairperson of the Executive Board,

Commending his unswerving commitment to the ideals of UNESCO's Constitution in the execution of his mandate,

Recognizing his leadership and support for UNESCO's mandate in the fields of education, science, culture, and communication and information and his advocacy for UNESCO's relevance especially as it relates to, inter alia, the preparations of the post-2015 development agenda, including Education beyond 2015; the protection and preservation of culture in conflict areas, as well as the safety of journalists and the issue of impunity,

Recognizing also the important role he played in making full use of UNESCO's wealth of expertise and of its role as an intellectual and cultural hub thus ensuring the Organization's continued importance and relevance in the world of today, through the organization of a series of meetings under the banner "UNESCO at 70 and Future Prospects" as the Organization celebrates its 70th anniversary,

Acknowledging the efforts made by the Executive Board, under his leadership, towards greater optimization of its governance role,

Conveying its appreciation for the renovation work of the Executive Board meeting room and the Delegates' Lounge, undertaken through his leadership,

Expresses its profound gratitude to H.E. Mr Mohamed Sameh Amr for the invaluable services that he has rendered to the Organization.