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**STATEMENT DELIVERED BY H.E. DEPUTY MINISTER  
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*Thank you, Chair*

On behalf of the Government of Viet Nam, I would like to express our sincere thanks to Chair, His Excellency, Ambassador Khalil-ur-Rahman Hashmi for his able leadership of CDIP, as well as the Deputy Director General of WIPO, Mr. Hasan Kleib and his team for their efforts in facilitating the work of CDIP.

Our globe is encountering new challenges, such as new diseases, climate change, and food insecurity which have major effects on national and regional economies and the lives of millions of people.

It is convinced that only by promoting the multilateral cooperation and pursuing the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations, we can find solutions to these problems.

To this end, it is crucial to continue to stimulate developments of science and technology and innovation. And IP will play a significant role in this course.

Therefore, Viet Nam highly appreciates WIPO's Development Agenda which is being implemented across the Organization, thus, supporting governments, businesses, communities and individuals globally in the use of IP as a powerful tool to create jobs, attract investments, grow businesses, and ultimately develop economies and societies.

Viet Nam also values CDIP initiatives targeting women, youth and SMEs as prioritized beneficiaries, for example the compilation of case studies on IP Management by SMEs contained in document CDIP/29/7, the discussion on topics of "IP and youth: investing in the future" at the thirtieth session or the Asia-Pacific Women Innovators and Entrepreneurs Program launched in 2022. Viet Nam will continue to support the work of the Committee in this regard.

In addition, Viet Nam would also like to express our full commitments to support the Medium-Term Strategic Plan 2022-2206 of WIPO, which certainly contributes to the development of an inclusive, balanced, vibrant and forward-looking global IP ecosystem, thereby, promoting economic growth and sustainable development.

I thank you, Chair./.