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### **Interactive Discussion 3: International development cooperation**

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*Dear co-Facilitators of the Elements Paper,*

*Distinguished Delegates,*

Each country has responsibility for its economic and social development. Still, no one is able to face the challenges of today alone, especially the countries in special situations.

Poland remains committed to sustainable development. We help the developing partners through various channels and multilateral organizations – including those belonging to the UN system.

The latest example is our decision to increase our financial support for the International Development Association by a hundred percent.

*Ladies and Gentlemen,*

We believe we need to ensure stability and predictability of financing for development, including technical assistance for developing countries.

We need to prioritize investments in modern, future-proof solutions, in particular green, resilient infrastructure, green energy, and digital transformation, as well as in human capital development.

We are also convinced that gender equality and human rights-based approach should be an axis of international development assistance.

Full equality between women and men in public life, education and in the labour market, is fundamental for the economic growth and social development.

*Colleagues,*

The needs related to development assistance are vast and complex these days.

We see the potential for a greater involvement of the private sector through well-structured and transparent public-private partnerships aligned with the goals of the 2030 Agenda.

We see the advantages of blended finance, especially in lower-income countries.

*Distinguished co-Facilitators,*

We subscribe to the Elements paper's postulate to revitalize and enhance the development agenda and to better monitor its implementation.

Poland is taking efforts to improve and better integrate its development policy in the spirit of reforming the international development cooperation architecture.

We strive for better coordination of activities within all national stakeholders - including non-governmental organizations and other social entities.

*Ladies and Gentlemen,*

Poland has made significant progress towards implementation of the SDGs, and we are ready to help our partner countries in the spirit of partnership and solidarity.

I thank you.