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Statement by Republic of Korea

Mr. Chairman, Secretary-General Mr. Antonio Guterres, Police chiefs and delegates around the world.

It is indeed a great privilege for me to address the strategy and development plan of peacekeeping operations here at the United Nations headquarters, well known as the ‘Hall of World Peace’, despite the continuing shadow of COVID-19.

I am convinced that today’s summit is a unique opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to world peace in the course of the global crisis.

In such regards, the Republic of Korea may be entitled as an ideal model of peace and development.

As a beneficiary country that was supported by the United Nations, Korea has achieved economic development and democracy, dubbed the ‘Miracle on the Han River’, and now, we share the experience of success with other Member States.

Behind the unprecedented development in the world, there have been unremitting efforts of the Korean police and social stability.

Through the cooperation project, named K-Police Wave, we are sharing advanced policing systems including cyber security, forensic-science, and police training programs, with other partner agencies.

We also implement cooperation initiatives with international entities such as the United Nations, INTERPOL, and various regional organizations. In particular, the Korean police has been actively participating in peacekeeping operations in Somalia, Liberia, Haiti, and South Sudan.

In accordance with the United Nation's peacekeeping strategic guidance and agendas, the Korean police will introduce projects to develop the police capabilities in post-conflict areas and continuously pursue innovation in policing, integrating the latest scientific technology.

A saying goes "There is no way to peace, peace itself is the way". It is my firm pledge that the Korean police will do the very best on our common journey for 'sustainable world peace'. Undoubtly, today's meeting will be an invaluable opportunity to reinforce our solidarity.

Lastly, I would like to convey my sincere appreciation to the Secretary General and all engaged for providing this remarkable event even in difficult circumstances.