



REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA

**STATEMENT BY HIS EXCELLENCY MINISTER OF INTERIOR
DURING THE UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING MINISTERIAL
MEETING - TO BE HELD FROM 13 - 14 MAY 2025 IN BERLIN,
GERMANY.**

EXCELLENCIES - HEADS OF DELEGATIONS

**EXCELLENCY JEAN-PIERRE LACROIX, UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL FOR
DEPARTMENT OF PEACE OPERATIONS**

DISTINGUISHED DELEGATES,

ALLOW ME, ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA, OF THE DELEGATION ACCOMPANYING ME AND ON MY OWN BEHALF, TO EXPRESS MY UNCONTAINED SATISFACTION AT THE INVITATION THAT WAS EXTENDED TO US BY THE UNITED NATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MAGNUM EVENT.

LIKEWISE, I WOULD LIKE TO SEIZE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE AUTHORITIES OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY FOR THE SUCCESSFUL ORGANIZATION OF THIS REMARKABLE MINISTERIAL MEETING, AS WELL AS FOR THE WARM AND FRATERNAL WELCOME THAT WAS PROVIDED TO US.

EXCELLENCIES,

TODAY, THE WORLD FACES COMPLEX CHALLENGES THAT COULD ENDANGER PEACE AND SECURITY, RESULTING FROM GEOPOLITICAL POLARIZATION, TERRORISM, ARMED CONFLICTS, CLIMATE CHANGE, AS WELL AS THE INCREASING USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FOR DECADES, THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL, THE MAIN BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY, HAS BEEN MAKING A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION, THROUGH RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER PREVENTIVE DIPLOMACY TOOLS, TO THE PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF CONFLICTS, AS WELL AS TO THE PROMOTION OF GLOBAL PEACE AND STABILITY.

THIS MEETING CONSTITUTES AN UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBER STATES TO REFLECT IN DEPTH AND COMPREHENSIVELY ON WAYS TO IMPROVE AND SIMPLIFY PEACEKEEPING MECHANISMS, AT A TIME WHEN THE WORLD IS FACING ENORMOUS SECURITY CHALLENGES.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS CONTINUE TO BE A FUNDAMENTAL INSTRUMENT FOR ACHIEVING THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING AND CONSOLIDATING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY, INCLUDING THE PROTECTION OF CIVILIANS.

IN RECENT YEARS, UN PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS ARE TAKING PLACE IN INCREASINGLY COMPLEX AND CHALLENGING SCENARIOS, REQUIRING THE ORGANIZATION TO BETTER PREPARATION AND CONTINUOUS ADAPTATION OF ITS PERSONNEL TO NEW OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTS.

IN THIS CONTEXT, IT IS COMPLETELY CONVENIENT THAT PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS BE EQUIPPED WITH EFFICIENT TECHNOLOGICAL MEANS AND INTEGRATED CAPABILITIES, FOR BETTER PERFORMANCE IN THE THEATER OF OPERATIONS.

LIKEWISE, THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR MEMBER STATES TO JOIN EFFORTS TO RESOLVE CONFLICTS WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVING PEACEFUL AND LASTING SOLUTIONS.

EXCELLENCIES,

THE REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA ADVOCATES THE WAY OF DIALOGUE AND PREVENTIVE DIPLOMACY AS INSTRUMENTS FOR THE PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF CONFLICTS, AS WELL AS THE PROTECTION OF CIVILIANS AS AN INDISPENSABLE TASK FOR ESTABLISHING TRUST AND LEGITIMACY BETWEEN THE HOST COUNTRY, THE CIVILIANS AND THE UN PEACEKEEPING MISSION.

IN THIS PARTICULAR REGION, IT PLAYS A PREPONDERANT ROLE IN PROMOTING PEACE AND STABILITY IN AFRICA, ESPECIALLY IN THE GREAT LAKES REGION.

THUS, SINCE THE YEAR 2022, OUR COUNTRY HAS BECOME A CONTRIBUTING COUNTRY BY DEPLOYING NATIONAL POLICE PERSONNEL IN THE UN PEACEKEEPING MISSION IN SOUTH SUDAN “**UNMISS**”.

AT THIS MAGNUM MEETING, ANGOLA REITERATES ITS COMMITMENT TO CONTINUE SUPPORTING UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO ASSIST COUNTRIES IN CONFLICT, IN THE SEARCH FOR PEACE AND STABILITY, WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE AFRICAN CONTINENT.

AT THE END OF MY INTERVENTION, I URGE MEMBER STATES TO PRIVILEGE MULTILATERAL DIPLOMACY, AS AN ESSENTIAL INSTRUMENT TO PROMOTE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND DIALOGUE BETWEEN NATIONS, AS MECHANISMS TO ADDRESS GROWING GLOBAL CHALLENGES.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!