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Your excellency,

H.E Mr. Zhenis Kassymbek Minister of Investments and Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan

H.E Ambassador Federico Alberto Gonzalez Franco Vice Minister of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Paraguay and chair of the Group of LLDCs. and Coordinator of the Group of LLDCs on Matters related to trade and development in Geneva

Ms. Fekitamoeloa ‘Utoikamanu Undersecretary General and High representative for the least Developed countries and small island Developing States.

Distinguish guests, Ladies and gentlemen,

On behalf of my Minister of Transport of the ROSS, JOHN LUK Jok, whom should be here with us attending this highly important economic development forum, but happened to be given very important assignment by our President, delegated me, the undersecretary for the Ministry of Transport to represent him in this forum.

Mr. Chairman

Our country South Sudan is a new country got independence in 2011, at the beginning of the road, South Sudan is in need of a very huge development in all sectors of the transport modes, Air transport, Airports construction, Road Transport and River transport, and Rail Transport, practice has proved to us over the past few years of the independence that the best way and faster to build the Huge needed Infra-Structure country wide is only through inviting large investment in the country. That is why we urged all of you, the international organizations who feel confident and competent to come immediately and join those already on ground to invest in the Republic of South Sudan. Examples for many are already on ground.

Mr. Chairman.

South Sudan being a land locked country is already engaged as a member in the NCTTCA immediately after the independence having realized that, together in unity we are able to perform better to Develop the General infra-Structure required in our country. in that forum and over the last few years South Sudan has achieved good promising projects, The SGR is already in the pipeline rolling on the top of the Northern Corridor projects which will link South Sudan to the main port of Mombasa and link the main towns in the country, is a giant project in the country, many good progress have been achieved to upgrade and enhance the flow of Goods from the port of Mombasa to the country. the same on the Road Transport, construction, Rehabilitation, state efforts are moving on well, as well very promised plans to improve river transport, improving the river ports, Dredging of the white Nile, all available and opened for large investments. I would like to end by wishing a success to this high level economic meeting Many thanks to organizers who invited us, thanks for the warm hospitality. South Sudan will be waiting for you as one hand can not clap.