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### Key points of the statement by

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- **Multilateralism and partnerships** are a mechanism of engagement which does not have a sensible alternative. Belarus invites the members of the international community, especially the world centres of power and leading political groupings, to materialise their good intentions in **global partnerships and collective crisis strategies**.
- More attention should be paid to the **global energy crisis**. The current situation calls for a new partnership – **a global mechanism to improve access of developing countries and countries with economy in transition to technologies of new and renewable sources energy**. Participation of all stakeholders, including developed countries, private sector and non-governmental entities, is needed to shape a clear algorithm of coordinated action that would lay the foundation for future substantive breakthrough in this field.
- Strengthening of economic potential and political role of **middle-income countries** should supplement the measures proposed by the Secretary-General to fight hunger, poverty and diseases. Belarus believes that it is the United Nations system that should play a proactive role in helping such countries in addressing their specific social and economic problems. Progress in this area will create a stable global system, better opportunities for economic growth of poor countries and increase in the development assistance.
- Belarus promotes a global partnership against trafficking in persons and slavery in the 21st century. A United Nations **global plan of action to fight human trafficking** could be a key element of this partnership. Important steps in forging this partnership have been taken: broad public awareness of the urgency of the problem, wide support of the idea of a global plan of action among Member States and other stakeholders, the appointment of the co-facilitators of the GA consultations on the global plan.
- Belarus proposes to **convene a General Assembly thematic debate on interfaith and intercultural dialogue** in order to foster mutual understanding and respect for cultural and religious diversity.
- Belarus stresses the **special** role and **responsibility** of nuclear weapons states. As a party to the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty, Belarus welcomes the intention of the Russian Federation and the United States to negotiate further cuts and limitations of strategic offensive arms and to conclude new legally binding agreement. Along with nuclear disarmament, non-proliferation and ensuring indiscriminate access to peaceful nuclear technologies, the **provision of the unambiguous legally binding security assurances to the states with no nuclear weapons** is a matter of vital importance.
- Belarus invites all delegations to consider **proclaiming September 11th the International Day of Fight against Terrorism**.
- **Revitalisation of the General Assembly** is an indispensable way of ensuring **the viability and good health of the whole UN system**.