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Item 2. Ministerial Segment: 'Coordinating Policy Responses to the Global Food Crisis – The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2022' (CFS 2022/50/Inf. 15, CFS 2022/50/Inf. 22)

Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

- Thailand appreciates the 2022 edition of 'The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2022' (SOFI) and the recommendations contained therein on how to reduce the cost of healthy and nutritious food and on how to increase availability, affordability and access to healthy and nutritious diets.
- Thailand is committed to reduce the numbers of hunger and poverty and to ensure access to affordable healthy diets for all.
- As a world leading agricultural and food producer and exporter, Thailand is particularly aware of the urgency of transforming agri-food systems to produce affordable, nutritious and healthy food for all, in a more sustainable and equitable way, while increasing climate resilience and granting decent livelihood to all food systems workers.
- At the UN Food Systems Summit in September last year we agreed on the need to transform our food systems. It's time now to implement food systems transformation through finance, data, science and innovation.
- In Thailand we adopted the 'Bio-Circular and Green Economic Model' or BCG model as a sustainable growth strategy to integrate science, technology and innovation and traditional knowledge for conservation and sustainable use of our natural resources and environment.
- The Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives aims to develop the domestic agrofood sector to "three highs": high efficiency, high standard, and high income to be more efficient and sustainable, while improving the livelihoods and income of Thai farmers.

- Finally, we agree that trade and markets of agricultural commodities may significantly contribute to increase availability, affordability, and access to safe and nutritious food and healthy diets.
- Therefore, we underline the importance of a trading system of agricultural commodities that is universal, rules-based, open, non-discriminatory, and equitable, in order to contribute to food security and nutrition by increasing availability, affordability, and access to safe and nutritious food for all, enabling healhty diets and promote sustainable rural development.

Thank you Mr. Chair.