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STATEMENT OF ARMENIAN DELEGATION TO THE UNESCAP  
AT THE THIRD SESSION OF COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

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Dear Chairman,  
Distinguished Delegates,

First of all, let me greet all the participants of the Third session of Committee on Energy and express my gratitude to UNESCAP for hosting such an important event.

Dear Colleagues,

Despite the difficult times of COVID-19 etc. Armenia's Energy System continues sustainable and dynamic development, which is one of the most important conditions for the Country's economy, and which aimed at improving human lives and their living standards.

In January 2021 the Government of the Republic of Armenia approved Energy Sector Development Strategic Program to 2040.

According this document the Armenian Energy system will have the following description:

Self-sufficient and export-oriented high reliability and equipped with state-of-the-art technology, modern infrastructures generating annually around 12 billion kWh.

The large regional power center linking the neighboring power systems and the Common Electricity Market of the Eurasian Economic Union. Liberalized electricity market based on the best international models. Cost-effective and rational use of renewable energy sources in compliance with all environmental standards. Ensuring the highest possible increase of the renewable energy share in the country's energy balance at least by 15% of solar energy in 2030.

Extensive conducting of energy efficiency measures, implementation of energy efficient technologies in the transition to a green and science-based economy.

Peaceful development of nuclear energy, in particular the construction of new nuclear power generating unit in Armenia.

Balanced and predictable tariffs for reliable, uninterrupted, high-quality supply of electricity to consumers and reliable operation of the power system.

Diversification of the primary energy resources, in particular natural gas supply routes to Armenia and types, by guarantying availability of at least two pipelines entry to the country.

Dear Colleagues,

Armenia is committed to the 2030 UN Agenda, focusing its efforts on achieving Goal 7.

Once again thanks the organizers. I wish the session to be a successful and fruitful one.