We appreciate the opportunity to contribute to the VNR process and acknowledge Turkmenistan actions to progress the SDGs implementation. The constituencies of the MGoS sincerely hope that these questions may provide useful information to the countries presenting their Voluntary National Reviews with regards to key elements that MGoS would be keen to learn from the presentations. The following questions have been collaboratively developed by the constituencies of the Major Group and other Stakeholders.

1. Turkmenistan’s report states that there is ongoing work to strengthen data collection and disaggregation. We would like to know whether Turkmenistan is disaggregating data by income, sex, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, and geographic location, or other characteristics, and whether data is used to for evidence-based policymaking?

2. What budgetary allocations are put in place to ensure the inclusion of marginalized groups in the SDG implementation?

3. Turkmenistan’s VNR stated that civil society is involved in monitoring the progress of SDGs. How can civil society truly become involved and access information for independent tracking of the progress of the SDGs at the country level?

4. To achieve any SDGs, global emissions have to be put into decline rapidly starting in 2020, as is universally agreed by science. In terms of your hydrocarbon revenues, what legislation do you have in place and how is this being enforced?