

Thank you, [Madam/Mr.] President:

This Qatar VNR is much improved over 2019, covering all Goals with enviable statistical data.

Qatar's VNR is exceptional also, demonstrating how the state provides amply for progress across the goals, but seems to leave scant space to civil society. Indeed, like 6 years back, no Qatari group is found across Major Groups.

Qatar's report is rare among VNRs also for reporting so positively—or reporting at all—on Target 5.a toward women's equality in land and other productive resource rights. But we note no such data is found for sister indicator 1.4.2.

International assistance and cooperation are vital to advance the Agenda, and the extraterritorial dimension of states' fulfilling their human rights obligations and voluntary development commitments is key to any review. Qatar reports great generosity to advance development and humanitarian causes beyond its borders.

All VNRs should consider external performance as well as domestic progress of state organs across the Goals. In that light, we ask: Would Qatar consider supporting the UN climate-change Loss & Damage Fund toward SDGs 1, 13, 17.

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