Country Statement of Myanmar at the

Thirty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, seventy-seventh meeting of the Implementation Committee under the Non-Compliance Procedure for the Montreal Protocol, Meeting of the Bureau of the Thirty-Seventh Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, High Level Segment, from 30 October 2026 to 6 November 2026, Kigali, Rwanda

Honorable Madam President,

Honorable Ministers,

Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my great pleasure and honor to be here today. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on your election as Madam President of the MOP38.

I would also like to express my sincere appreciation and congratulations to the host country, Rwanda, as well as the Ozone Secretariat, for the excellent arrangements and the warm welcome and hospitality extended to all participants.

Mr. Chairman, Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The ozone layer plays a vital role in protecting human health and the environment. The theme of World Ozone Day 2026, **"Global Action for a Cooler Planet,"** highlights the remarkable achievements of the Montreal Protocol. This year, 2026, also marks 10 years of sustainable cooling under the Kigali Amendment, which demonstrates the strong link between ozone layer protection, sustainable cooling, and climate action. The Kigali Amendment provides an important framework for countries to reduce ozone-depleting substances and phase down HFCs, while promoting more energy-efficient and environmentally friendly cooling solutions.

At the national level, Myanmar has continued its efforts to promote public awareness and understanding of ozone layer protection, including World Ozone Day and World Refrigeration Day. Myanmar remains committed to continuing these activities and strengthening national efforts to protect the ozone layer and support the objectives of

the Montreal Protocol. In addition, Myanmar has consistently submitted its annual import data on ozone-depleting substances, including Country Programme Data and Article 7 Data, in a timely manner and is committed to continuing this practice in the future. As Myanmar adapts to increasing climate variability and the impacts of extreme weather events, including El Niño-related heat and drought conditions, the theme reminds us that protecting the ozone layer and reducing HFC emissions are not only environmental responsibilities but also important investments in climate resilience, sustainable cooling, food security, and public health.

Mr. Chairman, Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen,

As a Party to the Vienna Convention, the Montreal Protocol, and its London, Copenhagen, Montreal and Beijing Amendments, Myanmar has completed its national procedures for the Kigali Amendment. The Instrument of Ratification was submitted both electronically and in its original form to the United Nations Headquarters in New York, including the UN Secretariat and the Office of Legal Affairs.

Myanmar is also working to establish the baseline HFC consumption data required for the implementation of the Kigali Amendment. Although we face challenges related to data collection, technical capacity, and resource constraints, we remain committed to completing this work and would appreciate continued technical guidance and support from the Ozone Secretariat.

Myanmar continues to control HCFC consumption and imports in accordance with its HCFC Phase-out Management Plan, including restrictions on the importation of HCFC-22-based air-conditioning equipment. Myanmar also continues to control the use of methyl bromide only for Quarantine and Pre-Shipment purposes, particularly for agricultural exports.

Myanmar remains committed to fulfilling its obligations under the Montreal Protocol and its five Amendments and to contributing to the continued protection of the ozone layer.

Mr. Chairman, Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen,

In conclusion, Myanmar reaffirms its commitment to the protection of the ozone layer and to fulfilling its obligations under the Montreal Protocol and its Amendments. We greatly value the continued cooperation, guidance, and support of the Ozone Secretariat, the Multilateral Fund, and all Parties. Myanmar will continue to make every effort to strengthen its national actions and contribute to our collective efforts to protect the ozone layer and address climate change.

Thank you for your attention.