

**STATEMENT BY MR. AHMED ABOUL GHEIT, MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE ARABIC REPUBLIC OF EGYPT AND
THE CHAIR OF THE NON ALIGNED MOVEMENT
ON
THE EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS IN MONGOLIA**

The Chair of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) expresses his solidarity with the government of Mongolia and its people on the current extreme weather conditions facing Mongolia due to the sharp and sudden drop of temperature combined with continuous heavy snowfall, which caused a loss of hundreds of thousands of livestock, leaving numerous herders without any source of livelihood.

He expressed his anxiety that this extreme weather conditions, in light of the financial crisis, is likely to affect negatively the country's food supply and worsen poverty in Mongolia which is a member of the Non Aligned Movement.

The chair of the Non-Aligned Movement supports the urgent actions taken by the Government of Mongolia to save lives of herders and livestock, calls upon the International community, including NAM countries, as well as, the donor community to launch a concrete and quick response to support the Mongolian government to overcome this crisis.