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Press Release

1. The Right Honourable Prime Minister Mr. Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda' held a meeting with the United Nations Secretary-General H. E. Mr. António Guterres at the UN Headquarters in New York today. During the meeting, the two sides exchanged views on various aspects of Nepal-UN cooperation. Recalling his fond memories of his visits to Nepal, Secretary-General Mr. Guterres appreciated the role Nepal has been playing in the United Nations over the years. He reassured the Rt. Hon. Prime Minister of continued support of the UN to Nepal's development efforts and its path to realizing SDGs.

The Rt. Hon. Prime Minister thanked the UN Secretary-General for lending support to Nepal's development and peace initiatives. He also expressed Nepal's firm commitment to multilateralism with the UN at the core. He put special emphasis on Nepal's home-grown and nationally-led peace process. He sought the UN's solidarity and cooperation in concluding the remaining tasks of Nepal's peace process. The Rt. Hon. Prime Minister appreciated the Secretary-General's earnest efforts in climate change and brought to his attention the severity of the effects and impacts of climate change on vulnerable countries like Nepal. As the chair of the Group of Least Developed Countries (LDCs), the Prime Minister also put the Secretary-General across the concerns and challenges facing the LDCs on multiple fronts.

Secretary-General Mr. Guterres commended Nepal's peace process and assured of his full support and cooperation to take it to a logical conclusion soon. The Secretary-General hailed Nepal's role and contribution to peacekeeping operations around the world.

2. The Rt. Hon. Prime Minister, who arrived in New York this morning leading the Nepali delegation to the 78th Session of the UN General Assembly, had interaction with representatives of the Nepali Diaspora this afternoon. The Rt. Hon. Prime Minister highlighted the achievements Nepal made recently and urged the Nepali diaspora to contribute more to the socio-economic development of Nepal.
3. Similarly, Hon Minister for Foreign Affairs Mr. Narayan Prakash Saud held a meeting with the Under Secretary-General of the Department of Political and

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Peacebuilding Affairs Ms. Rosemary DiCarlo earlier today. They exchanged views on key issues pertaining to global peace and security including the role of prevention, mediation, and peacebuilding.

4. The Hon. Foreign Minister also addressed the Global Parliamentarian's Inquiry on the Progress of Fossil Fuels Phase-out Program as a keynote speaker today morning. He emphasized a fossil-fuel-free world and urged the stakeholders to enhance actions to this end.
5. Foreign Secretary Mr. Bharat Raj Paudyal delivered a statement, today, in the capacity of chair of the LDC group in the SDG Action Weekend side event entitled 'Scaling blended finance to mobilize private SDG investments in LDCs and other vulnerable countries'. Underscoring the significance of blended finance for SDGs and climate change, he highlighted that blended finance is not a mere financial mechanism but also a commitment to collaborative efforts that unite public and private resources to drive sustainable and inclusive transformation.
6. The Permanent Representative of Nepal to the United Nations H.E. Mr. Lok Bahadur Thapa hosted a reception in the evening in honor of the Rt. Hon. Prime Minister and the Nepali delegation.

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