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**Hon. Mr. José Pedro MONTERO, President of the ASGP,  
Distinguished Secretaries-General,  
Excellencies,**

It gives me pleasure and honor to participate again in this prestigious global gathering of Secretaries-General of Parliaments. In this context, I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to the President of ASGP and its Secretariat for their commendable efforts to ensure that our meetings proceed as expected, thereby guaranteeing our communication and the exchange of visions and experiences in serving our parliaments and peoples.

**Ladies and gentlemen,**

In light of the qualitative leaps our contemporary world is witnessing in various fields, especially those related to the tremendous revolution in harnessing technology to facilitate human life and manage daily activities, parliaments face the challenge of keeping pace with these technological advancements, regarding the citizens' expectations of their representatives in parliament. The development of parliamentary innovation is therefore an urgent necessity, considering that it is one of the key pillars of institutional parliamentary performance development, ensuring the use of new ideas, modern technologies, and innovative administrative methods to promote the performance of the parliamentary institution in terms of legislation, oversight, and citizen representation, as well as technical, administrative, communication, and institutional innovations that promote the effectiveness of Parliament and help determine the best policies and legislation necessary to meet society's needs.

**Distinguished colleagues,**

Digital transformation and artificial intelligence are the cornerstones of parliamentary innovation and development. In this regard, the Egyptian House of Representatives has kept in mind developing an integrated strategy to achieve digital transformation in all parliamentary activities, in line with the Egyptian state's direction towards building a new republic based on technology and digital governance, in accordance with Egypt's Vision 2030 for sustainable development. It aims to improve the performance of state institutions in general, enhance their work efficiency, and foster transparency and participation. The General Secretariat of the Egyptian House of Representatives has been keen to develop the methodology and mechanism of work inside the Parliament in a way

that keeps pace with the modern technological revolution, coinciding with the move of the House to its new headquarters in the New Administrative Capital, which is considered one of the smart cities. The House of Representatives Information Center has adopted an e-parliament work system as well as digital transformation via information technology tools and techniques, and artificial intelligence applications. The achievements in this field during the period from 2020 to 2025 can be summarized as follows:

- Developing the application for communication between the House members and the General Secretariat (concerning the addition of their amendments to draft laws submitted to the House during the plenary session), which achieved great success in clarifying the vision and directions before discussing the draft law.
- Developing an electronic application for employees and pensioners that allows them to use all services provided by the Secretariat electronically without the need to go to the workplace, such as vacations, official permits, requests for obtaining medication, and requests for transfer to hospitals in emergency cases. This application has had a significant impact, particularly on pensioners, saving them the effort of going to Parliament headquarters to obtain their medication, especially after Parliament moved to the New Administrative Capital.
- Using some artificial intelligence tools in Parliamentary work, such as:
  - 1- Using cameras that move to follow the speaker during parliamentary committee meetings.
  - 2- Using digital portals and connecting them to MPs' databases so as to track attendance at plenary sessions, speakers, and those proposing amendments to draft laws, along with a comprehensive overview of any situation related to MPs' presence in Parliament.
  - 3- Implementing a digital system for MPs that includes all the state's legislation to view the historical stages of the law being researched.
- Establishing advanced data centers that adhere to modern security standards to ensure information integrity and establishing early warning systems for continuous assessment of AI risks.

**Dear guests,**

Amid these rapid changes at all levels and given that parliaments will always remain a safe haven for people and a guarantee of participation and decision-making in all its forms, enhancing the efficiency of parliamentary work is no longer a luxury, but rather an urgent necessity imposed by the aforementioned changes. This requires us, the Secretaries-General of Parliaments, to undertake diligent and institutional efforts to ensure the appropriate environment for our parliaments to fulfill their pivotal role in promoting peace and societal stability, carrying the burden of fulfilling people's aspirations and addressing their concerns. In light of the above, parliamentary innovation should not remain confined to individual, unorganized initiatives. Rather, centers for parliamentary innovation should be established within the general secretariats of our parliaments, comprising a multidisciplinary team entrusted with leading efforts to develop parliamentary work effectively and efficiently, ensuring the sustainability of parliamentary innovation as a fundamental pillar of modernization within parliaments.

**Thank you for your kind attention, and I wish our meetings every success.**