

Thank you, Mr. Chair.

The 38th assembly of ICAO reached a meaningful agreement through difficult process. Korea highly appreciates the valuable efforts of the council and secretariat of ICAO, and its contracting States.

The international society needs to have more positive attitudes to respect the results of the 38th assembly and to make more efforts to produce better and more satisfactory results at the next assembly, which will be held three years later.

However, Korea is concerned over a unilateral approach to apply ETS to international aviation, which is against what we agreed at the 38th ICAO assembly.

For the international maritime transport, reduction of emissions from maritime transport should be pursued, considering the results of the update of the greenhouse gases emissions estimate for international shipping which is being conducted by IMO. The reduction of emissions from shipping should be continued to be addressed by IMO, taking into account the sustainable growth of the world economy.

Thank you.