SPEECH BY HIS EXCELLENCY AMADEU DA CONCEIÇÃO, AMBASSADOR OF MOZAMBIQUE IN SWITZERLAND AND PERMANENT MISSION OF MOZAMBIQUE TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF THE OPENING OF THE 64TH SESSION OF THE WIPO GENERAL ASSEMBLIES

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Chairperson,
Director General of WIPO, Mr Daren Tang,
Excellencies
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Allow me first of all to express, on behalf of the delegation of the Republic of Mozambique and on my own behalf, my deepest gratitude for the opportunity to speak in this Session of the WIPO General Assemblies.

We salute you President for the diligent way in which you have been conducting our work.

We extend our greetings and thanks to the WIPO Director General, the entire Governing Body and the Secretariat for their hard and valuable work that has ensured the implementation of the WIPO Action Plan.

We express our positive appreciation of the report presented by the Director General regarding the activities carried out by WIPO in the last year, furthermore, we embrace the message suggested this year on the celebration of the world day of Intellectual Property, “Women and IP: Accelerating innovation and creativity” This stance clearly demonstrates the tireless commitment to gender equity and concern for people’s development based on practical results. Women in all regions, with their imagination, ingenuity and hard work, can do great things and bring solutions to our problems.

Madam President,
Allow me again to express our thanks to WIPO for the technical assistance provided to Mozambique in the institutional capacity building component, as well as in the implementation of projects related to the modernization and automation of the Industrial Property rights registration system and the process of valuing national products based on geographical indications.
The commercialization of Tete goat as a product bearing the geographical indication is a reality in Mozambique, and the process of registering the aromatic rice from Zambezia, Mozambique shrimp and mapping of the coffee industry such as IBO coffee, Chimanemane and Gorongosa coffee is underway.

In parallel, we thank WIPO and the Director General of WIPO, Daren Tang for the work visit made to Mozambique in November 2022.

During this visit, it was possible to measure the current situation of Intellectual Property in Mozambique and outline project perspectives for the future, including Intellectual Property strategy and policy, Intellectual Property training for diplomats, copyright managers, management packages for Small and Medium Enterprises and Universities.

**Madam President,**

The Mozambique Five-Year Government Programme 2020-2024, continues to be the central pillar that houses Intellectual Property.

As a matter of fact, this year, we would like to highlight the work already started on the revision of the Intellectual Property Strategy and the drafting of the Intellectual Property Policy at local level.

**Madam President,**

In conclusion, our delegation endorses the intervention made by Mr. Ambassador of Ghana, on behalf of the African group, and reiterates its commitment to participate actively and constructively in the work of the present session, aiming at its success under your wise leadership.

**Thank you very much for your attention!**