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Dear delegates, Student Officers, Advisors, and the Executive Committee of the Turkish International Model United Nations,

It is a great honor for me to represent Sierra Leone at TIMUN 2024. As we gather here today, we face a **rapidly changing world**, one that is greatly impacted by the rise of new technologies and **the digital economy**. These developments are having a profound effect on **traditional industries** and the workers who rely on them. From agriculture to manufacturing, many industries are struggling to adapt to the digital shift. This year's theme, "The Uncertain Future of Traditional Industries: Labor in the Digital Economy," is of great importance to Sierra Leone and many other nations around the world.

Sierra Leone's economy has long been built on sectors like mining, agriculture, and fisheries, where many people rely on traditional forms of work. However, we understand that technological progress brings both opportunities and challenges. The rise of automation and digital tools could change how work is done in these sectors. While this progress is crucial for the future, it also means that many workers might **lose their jobs** or need to retrain to stay competitive in the digital age.



In Sierra Leone, we are committed to ensuring that no one is left behind as we **embrace the digital economy**. Providing education and training is essential to help workers gain the necessary skills for the modern job market. At the same time, we must **protect workers' rights**, ensuring that they are not exploited or unfairly displaced by technological advancements. Our goal is to create an economy that not only adapts to new technologies but also values the contributions of all its workers.

Sierra Leone is ready to work alongside other nations to find solutions that support workers in traditional industries and help them transition into the digital economy. We believe that through global cooperation, investment in education, and the promotion of fair labor practices, we can create a future where all people have the opportunity to thrive in a changing job market. We can move forward together into a more inclusive and sustainable economy by ensuring that workers have access to training, fair wages, and safe working conditions.

As we discuss these important issues at this conference, we hope to learn from each other and collaborate to secure a future where all share the benefits of the digital economy. Sierra Leone is committed to promoting peace, progress, and prosperity for all people, and we look forward to contributing to the ongoing discussions that will shape the future of labor in the digital age.

Thank you.