



Remarks at Launch of UN SACCO Housing Estate

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The Chair of the Executive Committee of the UN SACCO

The General Manager of the UN SACCO

Members of the UN SACCO

Distinguished Guests

Ladies and Gentlemen

I would like to thank you for inviting me to participate in this historic occasion of launching of the housing estate of the UN Saving and Credit Cooperative Organisation (SACCO). I would like to congratulate the leadership and members of the UN SACCO for this remarkable achievement. You have set the benchmark of UN personnel promoting their own welfare for UN colleagues elsewhere in Africa and overseas to emulate.

I happy to see that the UN SACCO are setting an example for other Ugandans to emulate, given the fact that unplanned settlement make up 75% of Uganda's the cities and towns.

More so, Uganda's urban centres have an acute shortage of decent housing so I am pleased to see that the UN SACCO is stepping into contribute to alleviating this problem.

I commend the leadership and members of the SACCO for promoting organised urban development in line with Sustainable Development Goal 11 Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable. By coming out to this location you are contributing to decongesting the city and setting a positive trend for other SACCOs to follow. I have noted from your architectural plans that you intent to keep the estate green. I challenge you to keep the estate as green as it now, but not turn it brown. You must plant and nurture trees and greenery. The UN SACCO estate must be a green estate! It should be a model for environmentally sustainability in all aspects including garbage and sewerage management.

I commend the Government of Uganda for promoting SACCOS in all spheres of life for like-minded people that share similar world view and core principles of values like mutual respect and dignity in the case of the United Nations.

I would like to caution the SACCO Leadership and Management to always be transparent/accountable.

I urge the SACCO members to always service your obligations on time because that is the only way both the SACCO and members can benefit.

I urge all UN personnel in Uganda to embrace the SACCO, I urge you to save and use the SACCO as a vehicle to develop themselves.

I pledge my support to the SACCO and in partnership with UNFCU will cater for office space at the UN Common Premises at Lubowa so as to bring services closer to members.

Thank you.