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6. **Mr. Ben Mejdoub** (Morocco), speaking as a youth delegate, said that youth in Morocco were eager to be [\*3\*] involved in the development of the country. Morocco had called for the active involvement of youth in the work of the General Assembly and honoured its commitment by including young people in its official delegation, thereby acknowledging the key role that they played in society, the economy and politics, as well as their impact on decision-making. Governments, civil society, non-governmental organizations and the private sector must work together to guarantee a favourable environment for youth development, including equal opportunities, better access to quality education and higher standards of living.

7. **Ms. Mehadji** (Morocco), speaking as a youth delegate, said that poverty and economic disparities, both within and among States, intolerance and a lack of cultural diversity undermined implementation of the 2030 Agenda. As agents of social evolution who could contribute greatly to development, young people should be at the centre of every national development project. In Morocco, the Government had established social and educational institutions and training centres for young people, sports facilities, libraries and spaces dedicated to new technologies. Additionally, a national human development initiative had been launched in 2005 to promote the well-being of vulnerable groups, including youth. The national youth strategy 2015-2030 targeted strategic goals for youth development in partnership with three national youth institutions, and the Union of Young African Parliamentarians had been created in 2014 to encourage youth involvement in building a strong Africa.

