

STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA 150TH SESSION OF THE WHO'S EXECUTIVE BOARD 24 – 29 JANUARY 2022

Agenda Item No. : 7 – Draft Decision

Title : Political declaration of the third high-level

meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable

diseases.

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Thank you Mr. Chair,

- 1. It is unusual practice to place so many agenda sub-items under one agenda item, when each sub-item merits to be an agenda item on its own. While we say that NCDs contribute to the biggest burden of disease globally, putting these separate important topics into one agenda item seem to send a signal in the opposite direction. However, we will acknowledge that a considerable amount of time have been allocated in the agenda to discuss this very important set of agenda sub-items.
- 2. Again, we would like to emphasise that much work needs to be done, and as such, the necessary funding and resources need to be

allocated, especially for the WHO Secretariat, for them to do the work effectively and efficiently, since there are so many "proposed actions" for the WHO Secretariat.

- 3. There are also a lot of "proposed actions" for Member States, and for this we would like to provide assurance of Malaysia's commitment, not only as a Member State, but also to push the agenda forward within ASEAN and within WPRO.
- 4. With that, Malaysia supports the draft decision and wishes to be a co-sponsor. Thank you.