



**STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA
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Progress achieved in the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases and the promotion of mental health.

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Thank you Mr. Chair,

1. Malaysia welcomes the progress reports, for the prevention and control of NCDs, and promotion of mental health. For NCDs, much work remains, as evidenced with the numerous NCD-related sub-items being discussed during this EB Meeting.

2. We would like to specifically comment on Part II of the report on Promotion of Mental Health. It is agreed that the global situation for mental health remains challenging, now more than ever due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the economic injury caused by the

pandemic. We welcome the many programs and activities conducted by the WHO Secretariat in strengthening interventions.

3. We, in the health sector, cannot do this alone, as mental health extends into the other social determinants of health. Therefore, we recommend further collaborative work continue to be focused on partnerships with a multitude of stakeholders, to include non-State Actors, some of which as listed in the Progress Report.
4. In addition, to ensure transparency and accountability, we also would like to see the work related to these partnerships to be reported in more detail, to include sources of funding and roles and responsibilities for each Party.

Thank you.