



**Statement from the Representative of the Republic of Mozambique at the  
152<sup>th</sup> Session of WHO Executive Board**

**Agenda Item 6**  
**Political declaration of the third high-level meeting**  
**of the General Assembly on the prevention and**  
**control of non-communicable diseases,**  
**and mental health**

**Mrs./Mr. President,**

Mozambique is aligned with the statement delivered on behalf of the 47 African Countries.

We congratulate the secretariat for its comprehensive report which recognize some members states achievements toward prevention and control of no communicable diseases. However as the harmful substance exposure and consumption continue particularly on the poor in developing countries, prevention and control measure in some member states are not prolific due the constraints of poverty, weak health system and shortage of health workforce.

We appreciate this rapport information about the average reduction on alcohol consumption , however in some in developing members states alcohol consumption might be on increase. This undermines the harmonious physical and mental development of the of youth, reducing their abilities to actively participate in their and in overall society progress.

We suggest more active involvement of private sector so, they can assist member states at least in reducing children and youth exposure to harmful substance like alcohol and tobacco. In some member states alcohol advertisement still widespread, contributing somehow for increasing alcohol use. Whole society and whole government approach to put together with same messages, government , communities leaders , parents, youths and private sector for reduction of exposure and consumption of harmful substances should be strengthen and in place everywhere.

In our settings sudden death is becoming more frequent at home, working place anywhere. Having at least the common risk factor under control easily we can scale up in intervening more as to use resuscitators where safely can be managed.

We advocate the wideness of the scope of interventions by active participation of aligned UN agencies such as UNICEF, UNFPA, UNWOMEN, UNAIDS among others. Their sectorial projects support to members states include promotion and prevention, control of no communicable disease. For instance, promote physical activities, health diets, measure of blood pressure and glycemia, thus high blood pressure and diabetes are among the most killing disease in adults.

We appreciate the preparatory process for the fourth High-Level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases, in 2025. It creates a unique opportunity for involvement of all government and no government stakeholders to propose measures to accelerate the implementation of programs toward reduction of no communicable disease.

Thank you

Mrs./Mr. President