



SAMOA'S STATEMENT ON AGENDA ITEM A76/4 (19.2) "IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMME BUDGET 2022-23 & PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET 2024-25

Mr Chairman/Madam Chair,

Samoa heartily thanks the Secretariat for the comprehensive report on financing and implementation of the Programme Budget for 2022-2023 and Proposed Programme Budget for 2024-25 and we commend the Secretariat's leadership in facilitating and coordinating the program budget process across all segments.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Samoa to sincerely thank WHO for its technical and financial support provided in 2022-2023 for Samoa especially during COVID-19 pandemic. We thank WHO for supporting Samoa in areas such as risk communication and community engagement, procurement of needed resources and supplies as well as capacity building for health staff at different areas of services.

Samoa also acknowledges with deep gratitude the increase of budget allocation for country offices for 2024-25. In our view from what we had experienced during COVID-19, the most important focus of the upcoming programme budget should be geared towards accelerating Universal Health Coverage and building resilient Primary Health Care systems by tackling the Social Determinants of Health.

Escalating WHO support in countries for resilient recovery such as Small Islands Developing State like us is very important to ensure the health related Sustainable Development Goals are fully realized.









Samoa remains committed to continue implement health services and programs that contribute to acceleration of Universal Health Coverage through revitalization of Primary Health Care which aim at saving lives and driving health for all.

Thank You.