



**STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA  
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Thank you Chair,

1. Malaysia takes cognizance that budgetary imbalance in the financing system has constrained WHO's ability to deliver the best expected outcomes and tailored support to the Member States over the past decades. Nevertheless, this pandemic has alerted us to recognize the dire need to reform the financing mechanism. We have thus arrived at this pivotal point to set financing of WHO to a more sustainable path for the future.
  
2. Malaysia takes note of the report presented by the Working Group of Sustainable Financing and commends the Bureau and its members for this initiative, doing robust analysis on the various independent panel reviews and constructive conducts of deep dives and consultations to facilitate the flexibility of the Member States.

3. Even though the health challenges faced by the Member States in Western Pacific Region may be constraining, safeguarding mental wellbeing in times of long-standing crisis and post-pandemic is vital for all. Taking into consideration the recommendations put forth in the report, Malaysia hopes that these restructured funding arrangements would be more inclusive of the underfunded mental health program.

Thank you.