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Item 23.3: WHO reform: Involvement of Non-State actors in WHO 's WHO's governing bodies and WHO presence in countries, territories and areas

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Thank you, Madam Chair.

We recognize the role of Non-state actors. While WHO, being intergovernmental in nature, must anchor upon the leadership of Member States, voice of NSA could be meaningfully tapped through continued engagements. Hence, we would suggest the Secretariat to hold requisite discussions with the NSA keeping to the confines of FENSA.

We would also like to suggest for further discussion on the matter of Constituency statements in the upcoming Health Assembly in the quest for transparency and efficacy of their engagements on technical matters.

Now we would focus on the information note on WHO's presence in various coordinates.

We take note with concern that during the last three reports, WHO's limited human resource capacity at country level has been flagged. It is worrisome to note that allocation of flexible and core funding at country level declined as a result of increasing earmarked funding.

Since we are sincere to see human rights for everyone everywhere including health for all, shouldn't we listen to the people to respond according to their need. Hence, repurposing of the voluntary contribution to fill out the gaps in core funding would be the stepping stone as a demonstration of our sincerity to help the people in need.

I thank you, Chair.
