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4. Report of the PBAC

Brazil welcomes the report of the thirty-seventh meeting of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee and support its recommendations. We also thank the Maldives for the leadership in chairing the Committee.

The breadth, extension and relevance of the issues discussed during this PBAC was unique. Member States have engaged in constructive and meaningful discussions on a series of initiatives, projects and processes that will shape the future of this organization on the long-term.

Further to the statements already made during last week's session, Brazil wanted to reiterate its support to ensuring WHO is stronger, more sustainable, effective, efficient, fit-for-purpose and representative of the needs and perspectives of Member States.

In addition, we wanted to signal the importance that the processes addressed by the PBAC, – including the extension of the GPW13, the programme budget proposal for the next biennia, the work of the AMSTG and the proposal for a replenishment fund – should be regarded, evaluated and considered as a complete reform package, that creates a concrete engagement, one where both Member States and the Secretariat reaffirm their commitment to an open and frank project of promoting health for all. The road towards more transparency, accountability and good governance is the direction that PBAC and all actors in WHO should pave.

We will provide specific comments to several points, but would also like to note and express appreciation for the determination of the Secretariat to quickly respond to comments put forward by PBAC members and other Member States during the meeting. We would urge colleagues to enact upon the requests of delegations as soon as possible, reflecting common consensual perspectives on a broad range of subjects, with a view to ensuring ample and strong support for an ambitious reform package at the 76th World Health Assembly.