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ITEM 2 - Report by the Director-General

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Mr. Director-General,

Mr. Chair and members of the Executive Board,

In this challenging year, Brazil reaffirms its traditional position in support of multilateralism as fundamental drivers for the well-being of our people. In this regard, we emphasize the need for sustainable and predictable funding for WHO. Brazil hosted an event on WHO's Investment Round during the G20 Leaders' Summit last November.

During Brazil's G20 presidency, health ministers endorsed the creation of the Global Coalition, a strategic initiative to foster innovation and local and regional production necessary for the development and access to health technologies. Brazil will propose a following up side event on the Coalition during the WHA.

In this regard, we commend South Africa for this year's G20 presidency and for the priorities outlined, which are closely aligned with Brazil's vision for health.



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Mr. Director-General,

We must prioritize in our countries equitable, integrated, and high-quality health services based on digital technology and a continuously trained and retained health and care workforce. Additionally, we must strengthen social participation, as they understand the reality of the most vulnerable population. The Brazilian Universal Health System highlights its Family Health Strategy, and we can support the Secretariat in prioritizing this agenda.

We must work together on all the topics we will discuss in this EB, including discussions on UHC, non-communicable diseases, health emergencies PPR, climate change, health and care workforce, mental health and strengthen Regulation on the Digital Marketing of Breast-Milk Substitutes.

Brazil is committed to the climate and health agenda and during our G20 presidency, ministers agreed on the historic Health Ministerial Declaration on Climate Change, Health and Equity, and on One Health. The Brazilian Ministry of Health will emphasize this discussion at COP-30 and during a side event on the WHA.

The current Brazilian strategy puts together universal access, local production and innovation, and climate change placing health as a key area for sustainable development.



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Finally, I want to emphasize Brazilian commitment with peace, science, democracy, sustainable development and health as a human right.

Thank you very much.