



Republic of Zambia

ZAMBIA EB158: AGENDA ITEM 29.1: REFORM OF THE GLOBAL HEALTH AND THE UN80 INITIATIVE

1. Thank you, Chair.
2. Zambia aligns with the Statement delivered by Zimbabwe on behalf of the African Group.
3. Zambia welcomes the UN80 Initiative, during these unprecedented times in international relations, which require organizational agility, efficiency, effectiveness and realignment, for a fit-for-purpose United Nations. If well implemented, this initiative can contribute to the enhancement of efficiencies in the United Nations.
4. Zambia emphasizes that reforms should not only focus on cost-reductions but also on impact, longevity, equity and sustainability.
5. Mindful of the advancement of discussions under the UN80 Initiative, and recognizing the numerous proposals on the Global Health Architecture reform, a coherent and unifying consultative process, that advances multi-sectoral dialogue in global health, is urgently required in order to build synergies.
6. Therefore, Zambia supports the proposal to design of a joint consultative process, which will be hosted by the WHO and led by Member States, aimed building a common framework for global health.
7. Zambia reaffirms its position that the WHO is an umbrella agency of global health, therefore the joint consultative process, should outline shared expectations for collaboration and collective capacity and action.

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