

AGENDA ITEM 3: OUTCOME OF THE WHA79

Thank you Chair. As this is my first time to take the floor, I congratulate you on your election to this important task at such a time in the history of WHO. You have the full support of my delegation, and I look forward to working with you.

The WHA79 was a very successful Assembly on many fronts, including the adoption of several resolutions including on Tuberculosis control, Emergency and critical care, Precision medicine, Stroke prevention and treatment, Diagnostic imaging, Pharmacovigilance and medicine safety, Transplantation and liver disease among others

Pertaining to decisions, the Africa Region wishes to express its willingness to continue the PABS Annex negotiations. The Africa Group remains committed to bridging remaining areas of divergence and move towards a balanced and credible outcome.

We remain committed to translating these outcomes into national action with focus on prevention, preparedness and response, community health systems and digital innovation, among others.

The WHA 79 programme was well thought out and we see value in the proposals by the Secretariat for reduced speaking times for the various Agenda items. Both electronic voting and cutting out speakers who

exceeded the allocated speaking time proved to be very helpful in terms of saving time.

I thank you.