Excellencies, Mr. President, Director-General,

Iakwe and Greetings from the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

The Marshall Islands fully supports the Pacific Islands statement delivered by the Government of Nauru.

The Marshall Islands remains one of the very few nations that remain COVID-19 free, due to our collective efforts and early interventions. We are still undertaking measures to strengthen our health infrastructure and we sincerely thank our partners for their support. But much more is needed. We encourage the WHO and the international system to continue to strengthen SIDS specific approaches on public health responses.

Mr. President,

The Marshall Islands joins other nations calling for an objective and independent investigation into actions around the early COVID 19 International response. It is very important that timely and transparent information be shared.

Mr. President,

The Marshall Islands also joins other nations calling for Taiwan’s participation at the WHA and in WHO activities and ending unfair treatment which has endangered global health. Without active WHO participation, the Republic of
China (Taiwan), risks becoming a gap in the global health system, despite its strong efforts and generous contributions to other countries in preventing and containing COVID-19.

Mr. President,

The Republic of China (Taiwan) has proven again to be a valued partner to countries in need, including my own. With experience from coronavirus, all countries, including the Republic of China (Taiwan), should collaborate and cooperate for a healthier future.

Thank you and kommol tata.