

**STATEMENT OF THE DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA
ON
AGENDA ITEM 11.7 INTEGRATED, PEOPLE-CENTRED EYE CARE, INCLUDING
PREVENTABLE BLINDNESS AND IMPAIRED VISION
OF THE SEVENTY THIRD WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY (RESUMED SESSION)
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Thank you Chair.

Indonesian delegation would like to express their gratitude and appreciation all Member States as well as the Secretariat for their support on **Integrated People-Centred Eye Care, Including Preventable Vision Impairment and Blindness** Resolution, which has been adopted following the written silence procedure on 3 August 2020. .

This adoption is an important step for all countries to implement their commitment to integrating eye health into the mainstreaming national health agenda, strategies and budget. It also reflects the importance of eye health in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

The integrated people-centered eye care approach not only provides a variety of promotive, preventive, treatment and rehabilitative involvements on eye health, but also simultaneously strengthening health systems.

When the WHO launched the World Report on Vision last year, few of us would have predicted that cross-sectoral collaboration and people-centered care would have been driven to the forefront of the global health agenda. The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated the importance of multistakeholders and people-centered approaches, as a broad spectrum to work together to promote public health measures.

As countries struggle to continue eye health activities that have been interrupted during the COVID-19 pandemic, it is the time to build back better.

Indonesia in this regard, is committed to work together with all countries and the WHO to the implementation of the agenda item; in particular in advancing the delivery of eye care through primary health care systems.

I thank you.