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Pillar	1	ONE BILLION MORE PEOPLE BENEFITTING FROM UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE
Agenda	11	Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board
Sub-Agenda	11.6	<i>Epilepsy</i>
Document	A73/5	Consolidated report by the Director-General
Requested Action		To provide guidance on the next steps to advance global action on the burden of epilepsy and other neurological diseases

Thank you, Chair.

The Philippines thanks the Secretariat for the report, and is glad to join the list of co-sponsors for the resolution led by the delegation of Russia, calling for the development of a 10-year Intersectoral Global Action Plan on Epilepsy and Other Neurological Disorders in support of universal health coverage to address the gaps in promotion, prevention, early detection, treatment and rehabilitation of physical and mental health.

For the Philippines, the passage of the Mental Health Act, the first in the region to have legislation on neurological disorders, signals our full commitment to the development of a Global Action Plan on epilepsy, and advocate for robust collaboration with various stakeholders and professional organizations involved in the treatment and management of epilepsy in-country and around the World.

Thank you.