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| <b>Pillar</b>           | <b>4</b>                        | <b>MORE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT WHO PROVIDING BETTER SUPPORT TO COUNTRIES</b>                                                                                            |
| <b>Agenda</b>           | <b>18</b>                       | <b>Review of and update on matters considered by the EB (Budget Matters)</b>                                                                                             |
| <b>Sub-Agenda</b>       | <b>18.1</b>                     | <b>Programme budget 2020–2021</b>                                                                                                                                        |
|                         | <b>18.2</b>                     | <b>Financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2018–2019 and outlook on financing of the Programme budget 2020–2021</b>                                         |
|                         | <b>18.4</b>                     | <b>WHO Reforms</b>                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Documents</b>        | A73/4<br>A73/16 Rev.1<br>A73/17 | Consolidated report by the Director-General; WHO results framework: an update; Financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2020–2021                            |
| <b>Requested Action</b> |                                 | To note the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023 results framework and measurement report; and financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2020–2021 |

Thank you, Chair.

*On Programme budget 2020-2021*, the Philippines notes with appreciation the report especially its aim of realizing the goals of the Thirteenth General Programme of Work. We congratulate WHO for its continuous collaboration with Member States in the finalization and implementation of the GPW13 Results Framework. The Philippines is among the countries that are piloting the impact measurement method. Seeing its relevance to the country, we aim to integrate it in our Universal Health Care monitoring and evaluation framework. We also recognize the utility of the outcome indicators as they are aligned with the SDGs, the UHC index, the health emergencies protection index, and the healthier population index, in measuring the reforms that are being implemented.

We will continue working with the WHO in enhancing our processes and systems towards the adoption of GPW13. Hence, we request WHO support on strengthening the capacity of our health information systems.

*On WHO Reforms*, the Philippines request the Director General to report during meetings of WHO Governing Bodies the global strategies or action plans that will expire within a year. Spaces allowing Member States to consider fulfillment of mandates and call for needed adjustments will contribute to a more meaningful measurement of impact at the country level. This strategy, in effect, will beef up the WHO accountability framework and GPW13 impact measurements.

The recent passage of the Philippine Universal Health Care Act ushered in better health priorities. It clearly makes health promotion an integral part of people's lives. We recognize the emergence of more cross-cutting issues that are relevant to all aspects of a person's health. Thus, we propose for Governing Bodies to consider the cross-cutting level and depth of any World Health Day proposal.

Thank you.