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ITEM 11.6 – Road map for neglected tropical diseases 2021–2030
ITEM 11.7 – Acceleration towards the Sustainable Development Goal targets for maternal health and child mortality
ITEM 11.8 – Antimicrobial resistance: accelerating national and global responses

Dear Chair,

Neglected Tropical Diseases affect approximately one billion people worldwide. To eliminate these diseases, public policies must include structural actions to ensure health access, sanitation measures, social inclusion, education, and decent housing, among others.

In 2023, Brazil established a new national strategy of the Health Economic-Industrial Complex. As part of this strategy, we are launching a Program for Production and Technological Development for Neglected Populations and Diseases, currently in its regulatory phase. This program aims to promote the productive and technological development of the Brazilian Health Economic-Industrial Complex, in order to contribute to the elimination, as a public health challenge, of neglected diseases, as well as expanding access to prevention, diagnosis and treatment of neglected populations.

Chair,

Regarding SDGs on child mortality and maternal health, the Ministry of Health is working on the resumption of program “Rede Cegonha”,



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which allocates resources for the construction, expansion, and improvement of services and promotes a series of actions to qualify healthcare, such as fostering the expansion and qualification of the workforce composed of obstetric nurses and midwives. We are pleased to announce our co-sponsorship of the draft resolution “Accelerate progress towards reducing maternal, newborn and child mortality in order to achieve SDG targets 3.1 and 3.2”.

Chair,

Combating AMR requires a multidisciplinary and intersectoral institutional response within the One Health approach, promoting behavior change and community engagement. Brazil co-sponsors the resolution on AMR and aligns with its strategic priorities.

We reaffirm our commitment to the strategic and operational priorities of the 2025-2035 agenda, emphasizing that the prevention and control of antimicrobial resistance as a public health issue is only possible when innovation is combined with the reduction of inequities and cooperation among countries.

Thank you!