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Director General of the WHO, Tedros Adhanom,
Mister President of the 77th WHA,
Ladies and gentlemen,

I am honored to be representing Brazil and our Minister, Nísia Trindade Lima, who was not able to be here due to a climate, social, and health emergency that is occurring in Brazil.

It is undeniable that, the relation between climate change and health must be at the heart of the public health agenda.

Since last year, under the leadership of President Lula, Brazil has made strong efforts to ensure the universal access. We made radical changes, establishing a firm commitment with life, vaccination, pharmaceuticals' access, primary care, specialized assistance and digital health transition.

After the pandemic, we rebuilt a perspective of taking care of people and of our health system heroes: the health care workers!

Brazil's commitment with science, technology and local production came back, as well as our vow to multilateralism, global health and with WHO.

President Lula defined the G20 objective this year as: combating inequalities, poverty, and hunger. The activities in the Health field reflect this broader goal.

However, the health systems of the future face structural problems.

The main challenge we have now is the pandemic agreement, a critical decision for human society. Will we rebuild the global health order after millions of deaths or will we wait the next pandemic to cry again?

True, progress has been made. We commend the consensus reached on the draft resolution on social participation. In Brazil, the history of our Unified Health System emerged from the social participation. We also strongly support the resolution on natural hazards.

Additionally, next year, Brazil will present a draft resolution on the regulation of the digital marketing of breast milk substitutes.

On the pandemic agreement we advanced towards a consensus such as surveillance and healthcare workforce.

However, we must consider economic and technological asymmetries that were strongly revealed during the pandemic.

In Brazil, we only achieved the rate of vaccination coverage of the developed countries when the local production increased. It involved a technological transfer mechanism based on a long history of local production that unfortunately was a global exception.

We are in a crucial moment to reinforce our multilateralism in health. We are deciding our future. Brazil believes the right path involves social and environmental responsibility, knowledge and technological de-concentration and equity in access.

We need to reinforce WHO's sustainability to face the challenges of the future.

This is a situation in which or everybody loses or everybody wins.

It is possible to have a victory of the global health. The future generations will be proud of us.

Thank you, Mister President.

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