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**Statement by United Nations Office for Project Services**  
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Chair, Distinguished Delegates, Director-General,

Ensuring healthy, prosperous communities is in everyone's best interest. With increasing threats to health from the climate emergency, political instability, displacement and disease, the need for resilient health infrastructure and agile health systems is greater than ever.

As the operational arm of the UN, mandated in infrastructure, procurement and project management, UNOPS is proud to be working with WHO, member states and partners in over 100 countries, delivering a 1000 projects every year that improve health, peace & security, and emergency relief and recovery.

With thousands of engineers, energy experts and project managers across UNOPS, we can build impactful health partnerships and deliver results - for example, working with the Government of Sierra Leone, we connected 54 community health clinics to stand alone energy grids - and using this demand for healthcare provision as a base load - guaranteed income for private sector mini grid operators. With this successful proof of concept and a new national regulatory environment, this approach is now being brought to scale through other public, private partnerships.

Our unique culture of “getting things done”, in some of the most challenging parts of the world, helps us to help our partners expand implementation capacity and improve the health and wellbeing of those most in need.

Within the framework of the new GPW 14, UNOPS is committed to work with WHO, member states and partners to improve the sustainability of health procurement systems and build capacity for efficient project management - and also to improve the climate resilience of health infrastructures, ensuring sustainable energy, water, sanitation, waste disposal, digitisation, operations and maintenance which are so often overlooked.

We look forward to working with you all for Health - to bring Health for All.

Thank you.