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The Philippines commends the inclusive and transparent approach undertaken in developing the proposed process of handling and investigating potential allegations against WHO Directors-General.

We welcome the guiding principles of the process, particularly its emphasis on independence, confidentiality, due process, and integrity of WHO governance. These elements are crucial in ensuring that the WHO maintains the highest standards of ethical conduct while upholding trust among Member States and stakeholders.

We further take note of the structured two-phase preliminary review mechanism, which allows for careful screening of allegations and ensures that any investigation proceeds only when warranted, based on clearly defined criteria. The inclusion of a pre-qualified pool of independent investigative entities also enhances the impartiality and credibility of the process.

In this regard, the Philippines supports the draft decision text, as proposed by both Chairs of the PBAC and the EB on the process of handling and investigating potential allegations against WHO Directors-General.