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TANZANIA STATEMENT ON AGENDA ITEM

Poliomyelitis ; Agenda Item 17.5

Chairperson; The United Republic of Tanzania (URT) aligns with the statement delivered on behalf the African group and commends the report on the agenda item.

Tanzania continues to maintain robust polio surveillance systems, including Acute Flaccid Paralysis and Environmental Surveillance in high-risks areas. We remain committed to global eradication strategies and will continue to implement immunization campaigns aligned with WHO guidelines to maintain polio-free status, raise immunity levels, and prevent cross-border transmission.

Chairperson; We urge WHO and stakeholders to sustain support for polio activities as we transition to domestic funding through:

- Enhancing Micro-planning to identify underserved areas.
- Reaching high-risk populations by establishing vaccination points and collaborating with humanitarian organizations.
- Strengthening health systems to ensure vaccine availability, address hesitancy, and integrate services.
- Use Data-driven approaches by utilizing digital tools for real-time monitoring and addressing coverage gaps.
- Policy advocacy to secure government and private-sector support.

Chairperson; By adopting these measures and fostering collaboration, we can reach zero-dose children and achieve global polio eradication. **Thank you**