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The Philippines notes with appreciation the report of the Executive Board on poliomyelitis and echoes its call for targeted measures to reach zero-dose children, sustain high coverage, and reinforce robust surveillance systems, in line with the Polio Eradication Strategy 2022–2026 and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative 2026 Action Plan.

The Philippines is finalizing its National Immunization Strategy 2026–2030, a multi-year roadmap grounded in a comprehensive situation analysis and developed through a participatory process with technical support from WHO and contributions from UNICEF and other partners. The Strategy includes costed priority interventions to guide evidence-based planning and ensure predictable domestic resource allocation for immunization.

Anchored on the goal of sustaining a polio-free Philippines, our national approach is built on seven strategic areas to strengthen routine immunization and overall programme management:

- Scaling up and sustaining quality immunization services that are responsive to local contexts, including hard-to-reach and conflict-affected communities.
- Increasing public trust, demand, and uptake of vaccines through strengthened multisectoral engagement and proactive risk communication.
- Sustaining supportive leadership and governance to ensure coherent, accountable programme implementation at all levels.
- Strengthening vaccine supply and cold chain systems to guarantee uninterrupted availability and safe delivery of vaccines.
- Enhancing vaccine-preventable disease surveillance and outbreak response, including rapid detection and coordinated action.
- Harmonizing monitoring and evaluation systems and accelerating the digitalization of information systems to improve data quality and use.
- Reinforcing primary health care reforms to integrate immunization more effectively into routine services.

We reaffirm our support for global efforts to eradicate polio and underscore the importance of sustained international cooperation and predictable financing to secure a polio-free world for future generations.