



THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

Ministers side meeting at the 79th World health Assembly – Geneva
Theme: strengthening Universal Health Coverage through safe, ethical and equitable transplantation services.

Honorable chairperson,

The United Republic of Tanzania acknowledges that the transplantation of human cells, tissues, and organs is a vital aspect of specialized healthcare services that not only save lives, but also enhance the quality of life for patients suffering from organ failure and other critical medical conditions. In this context, Tanzania is investing in the enhancement of specialized healthcare services to ensure that these lifesaving interventions are increasingly accessible, affordable, and safe for our population.

To promote the Universal Health Coverage agenda, Tanzania has initiated the implementation of mandatory Universal Health Insurance that will encompass most of the transplant services within the healthcare benefit package, for transplant services. Tanzania keenly advocates for ethical transplantation systems founded on voluntary and informed donation, safeguarding the rights of both donors and recipients, preventing organ trafficking and fostering transparency and accountability.

We support the ongoing regional and global collaboration to enhance transplantation systems that are equitable, transparent, safe, sustainable, and attuned to the needs of all populations, especially those who are vulnerable and underserved.

I thank you