



## **INTERVENTION REMARKS**

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Working Group**

Thank you Chair,

1. Malaysia takes cognisance that budgetary imbalance in the financing has thus far constrained the WHO's ability to deliver the best expected outcomes to the Member States over the past decades. Nevertheless, this pandemic has exposed the dire need to reform the financing mechanism. We have thus arrived at this very pivotal point to set the financing of WHO to a more sustainable path for the future and ensure that WHO is, as the Director General said, "not set up for failure".
2. Malaysia takes note of the report presented by the Working Group of Sustainable Financing and commends the Bureau and its members for this initiative, doing robust analysis on the various independent panel reviews and constructive conducts of deep dives and consultations to facilitate the flexibility of the Member States.

3. Malaysia would like to reiterate our support for the increase of assessed contribution to be implemented progressively with the timetable that takes into account each nation's ability to pay. This must of course be followed by better budgetary transparency, governance reform and looking at specific proposals for equitable allocation, which will hopefully look at certain underfunded programmes as well such as mental health.
  
4. Malaysia would also like to explore further innovative models like the replenishment model with global high-level advocacy. This can assist but probably not completely replace what is desperately needed which is countries supporting WHO and fulfilling its work with increase assessed contributions. We also favour the continuation of the working group's efforts until the next World Health Assembly. Malaysia feels there should be finality to this issue by the next World Health Assembly.

Thank you.

**\*Delivered in Geneva on 25 January 2022**