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Communicable Diseases : Immunisation Agenda 2030 (item 8)

Honourable Chair, Distinguished Delegates,

I speak for the World Medical Association, representing over 10 million physicians. We reaffirm that immunisation is among the most effective and equitable interventions to prevent communicable diseases and strengthen health security. We welcome the mid-term review of the Immunisation Agenda 2030 (IA230) and stress the need of addressing inequities, fragile settings, declining confidence, and financial constraints.

We urge Member States to recommit to an IA2030 focused on equity, prioritise populations with a low vaccination status, and adopt a life-course approach to vaccination, integrating immunisation into primary care and universal health coverage (UHC). This includes protecting older adults and health personnel through routine catch-up and booster programmes. We also call for sustainable financing, resilient delivery, and strengthened workforce capacity, truthful risk communication, and community engagement.

Thank you.