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5.8 Anti-Microbial Resistance (AMR)

Thank you Chair,

We would like to thank the Director General and the secretariat for the preparatory report for this item. Noting the request by the secretariat to shorten statements due to time constraints, we will make a brief intervention.

Israel regards Anti-Microbial Resistance (AMR) as a main risk to the effective operation of health care systems around the world.

In order to combat this challenge, we specifically want to highlight the importance of infection prevention and control (IPC), maintaining sanitary conditions and promoting good hygiene practices. These measures are efficient, effective and applicable way to prevent the spread of AMR in health facilities, as well as in the community.

The use of antibiotics in healthcare settings, both in humans and in animals, must be better guided and informed. We thus welcome recent efforts to promote a Global Framework for Development and Stewardship to Combat Antimicrobial Resistance.

We are pleased to co-sponsor the draft resolution on this subject. We would like to commend the good work of the United States of America in leading this ongoing process.

We look forward to continue engaging with the WHO and Member States on these pressing issue.

Thank you, Chair.