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Thank you chair.

We would like to thank the secretariat for the preparatory report for this meeting. We commend the secretariat for the detailed nature of the both annexes, on the eighth and on the ninth Meetings of the Member State Mechanism on Sub-standard and Falsified Medical Products. This is necessary for us to be able to follow the work of the Member State mechanism on substandard and falsified medical products.

At the outset, let me stress that Israel supports the work of the mechanism, and sees great value in its work. To enhance this even further, we encourage Member States to take an active part in the work of the mechanism.

We stand ready to support the secretariat in their work, and in particular on pharmacy school curriculum courses on substandard and falsified medical products. The Israeli Ministry of Health, in collaboration with the Ben Gurion University of the Negev, has recently launched the first course on this topic for pharmacy students, and we are eager to share from our experience.

We would also be very interested in hearing more on the work of the Working Group on the distribution or supply of substandard and falsified medical products via the internet. In particular, we would be interested in understanding how member States would be able to best contribute to its work.

Finally, we would welcome a procedural document to assist Member States in better understanding and navigating the intergovernmental process, in line with para 24 of the report before us.

I thank you for your attention.