



Dec. 5, 2022

Dear Excellencies,

The undersigned organizations are pleased that the United Nations will host a High-level Meeting (HLM) on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response (Pandemic PPR) no later than the end of September 2023. This targeted HLM is urgent and long overdue, in light of the deadly and costly impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the existential threat that future pandemics pose to the collective well-being of humanity and achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We believe that the Pandemic PPR HLM is a critical opportunity to bring world leaders together to commit to a whole-of-government, whole-of-society, and global approach to combat pandemic fatigue; marshal high-level political attention, financing, and accountability to accelerate action on the pandemic PPR agenda; and secure sufficient political will to advance pandemic PPR-related structures and processes underway in the international area, including the negotiations around a Pandemic Accord, review of the International Health Regulations, and the newly established Pandemic Fund at the World Bank.

As the modalities for the Pandemic PPR HLM begin to take shape, we urge you to ensure the following priorities and principles guide the HLM:

- Elevate international action on pandemic PPR as a whole-of-government, whole-of-society priority, beyond the health sector.**

COVID-19 has shown that pandemics are multi-sector, whole-of-government, and whole-of-society events that require elevated and sustained international cooperation. The Independent Panel for Pandemic Preparedness and Response, the Global Preparedness Monitoring Board, the G20 High-Level Panel on Financing the Global Commons, and multiple other expert commissions all concur that leadership on pandemic threats is required at the highest levels of government and society. Pandemic PPR is long overdue for a leader-level summit at the United Nations, so we urge you to make every effort to encourage participation at the Head of State and Head of Government level for the Pandemic PPR HLM, including by hosting it during the UN General Assembly high-level week in September 2023. We urge you to ensure that the Pandemic PPR HLM agenda and participation is structured to reflect the complex, multisectoral challenge of pandemics, within and beyond the health sector.

- **Harness the HLM to drive long-term ownership and accountability for the pandemic PPR agenda.**

To drive the long-term, collective commitment needed to overcome the perennial cycle of “panic and neglect” for pandemic threats, the HLM outcome document should be designed to accelerate action and investment in pandemic PPR, drive sustained political ownership, and strengthen governance structures. As part of this effort, it should establish an annual global review and accountability process and forum, at least until such a process is formalized through a proposed Pandemic Accord.

- **Prioritize civil society and multi-stakeholder engagement at the earliest stages.**

The expertise and perspectives of civil society, and other non-government stakeholders, is critical to a holistic understanding of, and response to, pandemic threats. Civil society and non-government stakeholders must be engaged as partners at the earliest stages of HLM planning and priority setting, starting with the development of a modalities resolution. We urge you to include a multi-stakeholder hearing as a critical element of the HLM, and to identify several moments and opportunities for civil society and communities to actively engage in the Pandemic PPR HLM process. We also recognize the intersecting priorities with other HLMs and Summits scheduled for the SDGs, Tuberculosis, and Universal Health Coverage in 2023, and support coordination across agendas as appropriate, while also respecting the need for targeted attention and action on each.

Pandemics are an existential threat to all of society, and we must seize this opportunity to transform global leadership and action. We would appreciate the opportunity to discuss these priorities with you and share our experiences from engaging in previous successful and inclusive HLMs, and request a briefing no later than mid-December 2022. We look forward to your response and working with you and your colleagues to ensure that the Pandemic PPR HLM serves as a meaningful and transformative catalyst for this critical and cross-cutting agenda.

Yours sincerely,

1. ACCESS – Health International	20. Global Health Council	40. Results Canada
2. Amis des Étrangers au Togo	21. Global Health Security Agenda Consortium (GHSAC)	41. Results UK
3. Alpha Action for Social and Economic Development (AASED)	22. GLIDE	42. R2H Action
4. Amaclare Connect and Development Initiative	23. Goodbye Malaria	43. Sabin Vaccine Institute
5. Amref Health Africa	24. Healthcare Foundation Organization	44. Safe Mother & Childhood Survival Research Initiative (SAMOCRI)
6. Association For Promotion Sustainable Development	25. Heart That Cares For Better Health Organization	45. Save the Children
7. AVAC	26. Hope for Future Generations	46. Spark Street Advisors
8. Black Emergency Managers Association International	27. Internews	47. Speak Up Africa
9. Centre for Emergency and Development Support	28. Korean Advocates for Global Health (KAGH)	48. Stopaids
	29. Lend A Voice Africa	49. Stowarzyszenie Higieny Lecznictwa (SHL)
	30. LIAISON	50. Task Force for Global Health
		51. Uganda Child and Aid Development Foundation

<p>10. Centre for Health and Development Initiative Africa</p> <p>11. CISDI</p> <p>12. Conservation International</p> <p>13. FIND</p> <p>14. Fondation Joseph The Worker / Structure Lazarienne</p> <p>15. Foundation for Environmental Watch</p> <p>16. Friends of the Global Fight</p> <p>17. Frontline AIDS</p> <p>18. Global Fund Advocates Network</p> <p>19. Global Health Advocacy Incubator</p>	<p>31. Management Sciences for Health (MSH)</p> <p>32. Nigerian Women Agro Allied Farmers Association</p> <p>33. Organization For Innovation and Sustainable Development Africa</p> <p>34. Pandemic Action Network</p> <p>35. PATH</p> <p>36. PAX <i>sapiens</i></p> <p>37. Platform for ACT-A Civil Society & Community Representatives</p> <p>38. PSI</p> <p>39. Red Internacional en Salud Colectiva y Salud Intercultural</p>	<p>52. Uganda Peace Foundation</p> <p>53. Universal Health and Development Foundation (UHDF)</p> <p>54. WACI Health</p> <p>55. WaterAID</p> <p>56. Wider Aid & Development Agency-South Sudan</p> <p>57. Women Advocates for Vaccine Access</p> <p>58. World Vision Uganda</p>
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