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Mid-Term Review of the Multi-Year Programme
of Work (MYPoW) 2024–2027

Madam Chairperson, Excellences, Ladies and Gentlemen, distinguished delegates,
Sudan and Niger prepared this statement on behalf of the African Regional Group under this agenda item 7.

Madam Chairperson,

1. The African Group welcomes the Mid-Term Review of the Multi-Year Programme of Work (MYPoW) of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) for the period 2024–2027. The Group extends its appreciation to Ms. Erma, the Representative of Indonesia and Rapporteur of the Mid-Term Review process, for her dedicated efforts and valuable contribution.
2. The African Group reaffirms that the MYPoW is grounded in strengthening the resilience of livelihoods and prioritizing the needs of those most affected by food insecurity and malnutrition. The Group emphasizes the importance of adopting a participatory, inclusive, and multi-sectoral approach, ensuring evidence-based decision-making that takes into account environmental, economic, and social sustainability, as

well as gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls in the context of food security and nutrition.

3. The African Group supports the CFS's continued efforts to enhance coordination at global, regional, and national levels, and to advance policy coherence through the development of voluntary international guidelines and strategies on food security and nutrition, to be made available for adoption and implementation by Member States at the national level.

4. The Group notes that the full implementation of the MYPoW (2024–2027) depends on the availability of adequate financial and human resources. In this regard, the African Group encourages FAO, WFP, and IFAD to contribute to the CFS Secretariat's budget, whether through financial or in-kind support, as a means to strengthen collective ownership and joint commitment through enhanced collaboration among the Rome-based Agencies.

5. The African Group appreciates the updated CFS Communication Strategy, which aims to further strengthen the Committee's visibility and role as the foremost inclusive intergovernmental platform for global food security and nutrition policy. The Group calls for the expansion of knowledge-sharing platforms and the exchange of good practices and lessons learned, both at regional and national levels.

6. The African Group commends the updated CFS Resource Mobilization Strategy, which seeks to diversify and increase funding from various sources. The Group underscores the importance of improved coordination in field operations, the development of innovative financing mechanisms, efficient resource use, and national capacity building to identify gaps, priorities, and appropriate solutions, as well as effective implementation and monitoring mechanisms.

7. The African Group urges all stakeholders to contribute to communication and resource mobilization efforts to ensure that the Committee's work remains effective, inclusive, and responsive to global, regional, and national needs.

8. The Group stresses the importance of applying the safeguards of the Rome-based Agencies to prevent any potential conflicts of interest regarding the financing of the Committee.

9. In conclusion, and based on the comments provided above, the African Group recommends the adoption of the decision, confident that doing so will help make a tangible difference.

Thank you