

Written inputs from PSM

Madame Co-Chairs Ouedraogo and Lassila,

Thank you for an excellent morning of discussions. The spirit of the conversation and the broad consensus is evidence of the excellent work done. Below are the specific comments from the PSM intervention that outline our specific changes.

We support the importance of human rights and the progressive realisation to the right to food and the achievement of women's empowerment. We note Spain's reference to the ILO arrangements as a useful inclusion in the prior section.

We do have comments specifically on 15.4 which is a good list of items and can be strengthened in the following ways:

- To include in the list of productive resources grain storage and value added processing. Throughout the document it is important to consider the entire productive chain of agriculture and food
- It may further help to separate the point on productive resources like land, grain storage and processing and also add services such as business registrations and banking, tools, mechanization, and closing the digital gap
- Gender bias can also be a factor in nutritional outcomes and we believe a point should be added which could be framed as "In access to diverse nutrition diets, include proper maternal health and nutrition in the first 1000 days" - in line with Cuba's observation that malnutrition too often affects women
- 15.4 should also capture the specific needs for education, healthcare, safety and security - which reinforces Argentina's point on the importance of violence against women

Additionally in this section is 15.6 we would like to add the idea that specific programming for women should be contemplated such as co-operatives, methods to negotiate better prices, value added processing, and specific interventions on child and maternal health and maternity leave. And we agree with the BMGF point on the importance of data which may be reinforced here.

Separately in the later discussion, we would support the notion of conducting regional consultations on a digital basis to make them possible and appreciate the suggestion by CSM to include North America.

We hope this assists as you refine the excellent document and look forward to our meeting next week.

With best wishes,
Robynne