



Permanent Mission of St. Vincent and the Grenadines to the United Nations

New York, 3 September 2025

Excellency,

We are honoured to write to you in our capacity as co-facilitators of the intergovernmental process to prepare for the fourth high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases and the promotion of mental health and well-being, which will be held on 25 September 2025, in accordance with resolution 79/273 adopted by the General Assembly on 6 March 2025. We would like to thank you once again for having entrusted us to co-facilitate this process, and for the support you and your Office have provided to us.

We are pleased to submit to you herewith the finalized version of the political declaration of the fourth high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases and the promotion of mental health and well-being (Rev.4).

This finalized version is the outcome of inclusive and transparent consultations held over the past five months. During this period, we convened numerous informal consultations and bilateral meetings with Member States and groups of Member States to bring delegations closer together.

Following the breaks of silence of 7 August on the Rev.3 version of the draft political declaration we circulated on 4 August, we have been engaging extensively with all concerned delegations, in an effort to bridge the remaining gaps and foster consensus.

The limited number of adjustments we have introduced in the finalized version we are submitting to you seek to reconcile diverging positions, while preserving the integrity and ambition of the document. In our assessment, while it does not fully reflect every delegation's preferred language, this finalized version of the political declaration enjoys the broadest possible support.

In this context, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to all delegations for their active and constructive engagement throughout the negotiations and for their flexibility and willingness to compromise.

H.E. Mr. Philemon Yang President of the 79th session of the General Assembly <u>United Nations</u>

Cc: All Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations

On 2 September, we were informed by one delegation that it is not able to join consensus despite all our collective efforts. While there is thus no unanimity of views, it is our firm belief that the finalized version of the political declaration we are submitting to you adheres to the principle of consensus, because it reflects a general agreement among the membership and garners the broadest possible political acceptance by Member States. It represents the broadest possible consensus.

We therefore respectfully submit to you the finalized version of the political declaration as the outcome of our facilitation, for approval by the high-level meeting of 25 September 2025 and subsequent adoption by the General Assembly.

As we conclude our work as co-facilitators, we would like to renew our gratitude to you and your Office and extend our heartfelt appreciation to the World Health Organization and the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management for their steadfast support throughout this extensive negotiation process.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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