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Yaoundé, le 28 FEV 2018

The Minister

To His Excellency Mr Antonio GUTERRES

Secretary General United Nations
C/O Minister of External Relations of Cameroon

Subject: Pledge of Support to the Global Strategy
for Women's, Children's, and Adolescents' Health
from the Republic of Cameroon.

Sir,

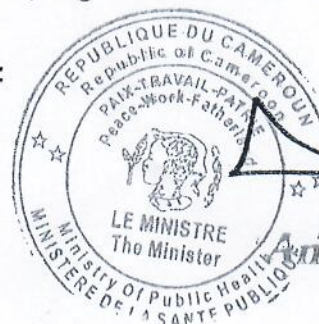
In 2010, the launch of the Global Strategy for Women's and Children's Health by the United Nations Secretary-General was a pivotal moment to accelerate the improvement of the health and well-being of women and children around the world.

While the momentum for progress and change for women, children and adolescents has grown steadily in Cameroon], with a reduction in under-five mortality by 16%; infant mortality by 17%, progress is still required, building on the successes and lessons learned to complete the unfinished Millennium Development Goals' agenda and further pursue our efforts for women, children and adolescents through the Sustainable Development Goals.

Therefore, the Republic of Cameroon affirms their support to the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016-30) as a global effort to bring all stakeholders together in support of countries' work to improve women's, children's and adolescents' health and well-being.

We pledge to take the needed sustainable actions to end all preventable deaths of women, children, and adolescents within a generation and ensure their well-being and we hold ourselves accountable for our collective progress towards this goal.

Please find below our commitments:



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1. Reduce the maternal mortality ratio to below 70 for 100,000 live births. Reduce neonatal mortality rate to below 12 deaths per 1,000 live births and under 5 mortality rate to below 25 deaths per 1,000 live births.
2. Increase the availability and accessibility of key high impact interventions (Emergency Obstetric Care, Essential and emergency newborn care, Integrated Management of Childhood Illness) and within the context of Universal Health Coverage, increase the use and uptake of these interventions.
3. Increase the national budget allocated to reproductive health with special emphasis on life saving commodities for women and children and nutrition.
4. Reduce by half the prevalence of stunting in children less than 5 years.
5. Increase the national contraception prevalence rate by 2 per cent points annually.
6. Increase the availability of quality adolescent sexual and reproductive health services and reduce the prevalence of teenage pregnancy.
7. Scale up at national level of the 5 key interventions (Basic emergency obstetric and newborn care, Essential newborn care, Kangaroo mother care, Antenatal corticosteroid therapy and Newborn resuscitation) adopted by Cameroon to reduce newborn mortality.
8. Scale up the community based interventions in favour of reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health in the most vulnerable regions.
9. Strengthen nationwide systematic maternal and neonatal death surveillance and response, and a solid civil registration and vital statistics system.
10. Reinforce the multi sectorial coordination of the determinants of health in relation to gender equality and equity, women empowerment, education, nutrition and Water, sanitation and hygiene.