

Item 7a5 – List A by Zambia

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INTERVENTION BY ZAMBIA ON BEHALF OF LIST A

AGENDA ITEM 7 A) 5): RWANDA COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN (2026-2029)

Madam President

Excellencies

Ladies and Gentlemen

Thank you, Madam President, for giving me the floor. Zambia makes this statement on behalf of List A.

At the outset, we welcome the document and congratulate the Government of Rwanda, WFP and all stake holders who participated in the process of developing this document. We commend the World Food Programme and the Government of Rwanda for their collaborative efforts in addressing critical challenges such as food insecurity, malnutrition, and climate shocks, which disproportionately affect rural communities, women, children, and other vulnerable groups.

Madam President,

List A welcomes the four outcomes of the CSP which reflect a holistic approach to tackling the root causes of hunger and malnutrition while enhancing long-term resilience and sustainability. We also

recognise the Plan's alignment with Rwanda's Vision 2050 and the Second National Strategy for Transformation (NST 2), demonstrating a clear commitment to achieving food and nutrition security, reducing poverty, and enhancing resilience among vulnerable populations.

With the decreasing funding levels in WFP, we are particularly impressed by the plan's emphasis on the country office to implement comprehensive resource mobilization strategy targeting traditional and nontraditional donors, including emerging donors, international financial institutions, the private sector and thematic funding streams such as climate financing and other innovative financing. Further, the plan underscores the increasing role of the government and international financial institutions and blended finance in resourcing WFP activities.

Madam President,

List A supports the approval of the Rwanda Country Strategic Plan (2026-2029), and calls upon all stakeholders, including donors, development partners, and the private sector, to support its implementation.

I thank you.