Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board

Template for delegations commenting on the draft country programme documents 2024 first regular session

Draft country programme document commenting period: 14 November to 4 December 2023 [18:00 hours Eastern Standard Time]

Delegations are kindly invited to use this template to share their comments on the draft country programme documents being presented to the Executive Board during the forthcoming session.

Delegation name: France

Draft country programme document: Draft country programme document (CPD) for Bhutan

In accordance with Executive Board decision <u>2014/1</u>, draft country programme documents are considered and approved in one session, on a no-objection basis. All comments received by the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board before the deadline stated above will be posted on the Executive Board website.

| | Delegation's comments | Response(s) |
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| General comments | France generally supports the 7 proposed country programmes (Cambodia, Philippines, Madagascar, Brazil, Bhutan, Gambia, Guinea). | |
| Comments on specific aspects of the draft country programme documents | With regard to Bhutan's country programme, France would like to have more rationale on the extent to which the programme to combat obesity is relevant (point 37, page 7), taking into account that undernutrition affects 23% of children aged under 5 years old, 45% of the population does not have access to a balanced diet (point 9, page 3) and Bhutan has only 2% of obese children, in line with the regional average and the lowest international average. | |