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Statements of Commitment to the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty

General Section

1. The Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Policy Analysis Network (FANRPAN) hereby voluntarily joins the **Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty** and states its dedication to pursue the Alliance's mission, objectives and principles, as expressed in the Global Alliance's Terms of Reference and Governance Framework, and to collaborate with other members to achieve lasting solutions to poverty and hunger worldwide, as expressed below.

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2. Recognizes that hunger and malnutrition are the perverse manifestations of persistent, structural poverty and inequality, and recognizes the need to end poverty and hunger in all their forms and dimensions and to fully and effectively implement the 2030 Agenda.

3. Acknowledges the alarming growth in the number of people facing food insecurity and poverty in recent years, noting that, despite all significant past and current efforts, the world is not on track to meet SDG 1 and 2 targets, inequality is also on the rise (SDG 10), and a significant increase in collective ambition, as well as improvement in collective alignment and coordination for the fight against hunger and poverty, is urgently needed.

4. To that effect, endorses the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty and its mission to **support and accelerate efforts to eradicate hunger and poverty (SDGs 1 and 2) while reducing inequalities (SDG 10), contributing to revitalize global partnerships for sustainable development (SDG 17) and to the achievement of other interlinked SDGs, and championing sustainable, inclusive and just transitions.**

5. Notes that it is crucial for the world to unite behind large-scale, integrated approaches combining international, regional, national, and local levels, that recognize the interconnected nature of challenges and solutions to hunger and poverty and pair social protection with access to goods and services that can help the poor and vulnerable populations to overcome structural barriers and drive responsible investment in their productive capacity. These complementary services include but are not limited to interventions for poverty reduction, food security and nutrition, early childhood support, education and skills development, employment services, health and care services, as well as family farmers and smallholders' access to finance, extension services, research and/or agricultural inputs, in line with international commitments and obligations.

6. Particularly recognizes the high value and positive impact of quality implementation of national and local country-owned, inclusive policy instruments and programmes, focused on the poorest and most vulnerable, in the fields of poverty reduction, social protection, food security and nutrition, gender equality, decent work in the agri-food sector, skills development, family farming and smallholder agriculture, food systems transformation, health and care services and resilience building.

7. Also acknowledges the Global Alliance's reference basket of such policies as a collectively built, ongoing collection of examples with robust evidence to reduce hunger and poverty, and as a useful basis to guide joint action and increase alignment of the international community at country level. This

acknowledgement is applicable to the policy basket approach as a general guide to action and does not imply endorsement of any specific policy instrument or programme contained in the basket.

8. Therefore, by joining the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, **commits** to do its best efforts, in its own field of action, and according to its own mandate, capacities, priorities, preferences, procedures, and legal arrangements and framework, to support the implementation of policy instruments and programmes at country level as appropriate, including by the promotion of shared learning and the mobilization of resources, public and private, at scale.

In particular:

Knowledge Support Commitments

FANRPAN:

Commits to make its best efforts to co-create and provide technical assistance, capacity building and strengthening, training and/or knowledge-sharing on voluntary and mutually agreed terms in response to requests by Global Alliance member countries that choose to implement policy instruments and programmes in the Alliance's policy basket that are compatible with its areas of expertise.

Commits to make its best efforts to improve the alignment of its actions, including through the Global Alliance's coordination mechanisms, leveraging, and partnering with other actors to better support large scale, country-owned implementation of policies and programmes in the reference basket by Global Alliance member countries, aiming at enhancing country-level outcomes.

Commits to collaborate with other Alliance members to develop innovative solutions and share good practices in learning and knowledge exchange and dissemination on voluntary and mutually agreed terms, data collection and analysis, including by leveraging existing local, national, and international knowledge networks, coalitions, communities and other fora related to aspects relevant to the fight against hunger and poverty.

FANRPAN confirms its capacity and readiness to support Alliance member governments in implementing, improving or scaling up the following policy instrument types included in the Global Alliance's policy basket:

Access to extension and rural advisory services, supporting governments to strengthen inclusive, demand-driven and climate-responsive advisory systems that improve the productivity, resilience and livelihoods of smallholder and family farmers, with particular emphasis on women, youth, and vulnerable rural communities;

Pro-poor access to agricultural inputs and climate-resilient technologies, including evidence generation, policy analysis and stakeholder engagement to improve input delivery systems, technology adoption and sustainable agricultural productivity among smallholder farmers;

Integrated programmes for climate and shock resilience, supporting the integration of climate adaptation, disaster risk reduction and resilience-building measures into national agricultural and food security frameworks, aligned with Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and the Paris Agreement;

Prevention and control of micronutrient deficiencies and promotion of and access to healthy diets, including strengthening nutrition-sensitive agriculture policies and food systems approaches that improve dietary diversity and food quality outcomes;

Inclusive value addition and processing, promote inclusive access to agricultural markets, and promote short value chains, including support to policy frameworks that improve market access, agro-processing,

regional trade and participation of smallholder farmers under the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA);

Integrated programmes for gender equality and women's empowerment, supporting evidence-based policy processes that address gender disparities in access to productive resources, land, technologies, finance, markets, extension services and decision-making opportunities.

FANRPAN commits to implementing the following actions, programmes, and other activities in support of the Global Alliance's objectives, **within its mandate, capacities, and available resources:**

Policy research and evidence synthesis.

FANRPAN will generate, synthesise and translate policy-relevant evidence on food security, nutrition-sensitive agriculture, climate resilience, smallholder livelihoods, natural resources governance, and food systems transformation across Africa. Policy briefs, synthesis papers, technical papers, and other knowledge products will be made available to Alliance member governments and the Alliance's Support Mechanism to strengthen evidence-informed selection, adaptation, and scaling of the policy instruments in the Alliance's reference basket.

Technical assistance for policy analysis and implementation.

FANRPAN will provide technical assistance to governments and partner institutions upon request, on voluntary and mutually agreed terms, to strengthen policy review, design, implementation, and institutional learning. This support will include evidence-informed policy analysis, stakeholder engagement, monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning (MEAL), policy tracking, and institutional capacity strengthening for agriculture, food systems, and nutrition programmes, subject to available resources and the Alliance's matchmaking mechanisms.

Regional policy dialogue support.

FANRPAN will convene and facilitate inclusive multi-stakeholder policy dialogues at national, sub-regional, and continental levels, drawing on its established relationships with governments, regional economic communities (RECs), research institutions, farmer organisations, civil society, and development partners. These platforms will promote peer learning, policy coherence, exchange of implementation experiences and collective action to accelerate the adoption and scaling of evidence-based policy instruments aligned with the Alliance's objectives.

Country-level implementation, learning, and documentation.

FANRPAN will support the systematic documentation and dissemination of lessons, implementation case studies, and evidence of policy uptake from countries implementing food security, agricultural, and nutrition-related policy instruments. Where feasible and on agreed terms, FANRPAN will contribute to stakeholder mapping, policy tracking, and knowledge products that help governments assess and improve the design and implementation of relevant policy instruments.

Alignment with African and continental policy frameworks.

FANRPAN will ensure that its knowledge support to the Alliance is aligned with continental and regional policy frameworks, including the Comprehensive African Agricultural Development Programme (CAADP), the Kampala Declaration and Post-Malabo Strategy and Action Plan 2026–2035, the African Union's Agenda 2063, , the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) and relevant Regional Economic Community frameworks. This grounding will help ensure that Alliance-supported instruments are coherent with nationally defined plans and strategies across the African continent.

FANRPAN's network and reach.

As a pan-African policy research, analysis and advocacy network with established National Policy Nodes and strategic partnerships across the continent, FANRPAN will serve as a trusted platform for knowledge exchange and peer learning among Alliance member governments in Africa, particularly on smallholder agriculture, food security policy, climate-resilient food systems, and gender-responsive agricultural policy.

General Acknowledgements

Recognizes the possibility to, including through the mechanisms available to Global Alliance members, coordinate, partner with and/or seek support from the Global Alliance's other members, within their respective capacities, availability, and fields of activity, to carry out the present commitments with greater effectiveness.

While recognizing that the above commitments are voluntary and non-legally binding, being subject to and carried out under its own capacities, regulations, priorities, and modalities, as well as to the availability of appropriate resourcing, **strives** to seriously consider, as appropriate, and according to its own legal frameworks and governance process, to review its procedures and priorities as found necessary to better deliver on the present commitments, enhance synergies and joint efforts with other entities and initiatives, and improve outcomes on the collective fight against hunger and poverty.