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of the health of women, girls, boys and adolescents.

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As an alternate representative to the Board of the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn & Child Health (PMNCH) and in my capacity as Undersecretary of Prevention and Promotion of Health at the Secretariat of Health, Government of Mexico, we join the call to protecting the progress of the rights to health of women, children and adolescents through the PMNCH Call to Action.

With this support, we reaffirm our conviction to improve primary health care and commit to stop and reverse the risks presented to the health and well-being of Mexicans during the response and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, under the principle established in the National Development Plan 2019-2024 "leave no one behind, leave no one out."

Therefore, on behalf of the Secretariat of Health of Mexico, we are committed to:
- • Increase the budget allocation to the states in 2021 for the implementation of safe abortion services, emphasizing the use of resources and technologies based on the recommendations of the World Health Organization.
- • Design and implement a national strategy that combines inter-institutional and intersectoral actions to accelerate the reduction of maternal mortality, in the context of during and after the COVD-19 pandemic.

Our commitments are directly aligned with the Call to Action on COVID-19 established by PMNCH, in the points that I quote below:
1. Guarantee access to information, health services and supplies that save the lives of women, girls, boys and adolescents;
2. Promote sexual and reproductive rights and gender equality; and
3. Guarantee quality, respectful and dignified health care.

Without further ado for the moment, I take this opportunity to send you a cordial greeting

The Undersecretary of Prevention and
Health promotion