









Dear Sir Keir Rodney Starmer,

As #OneWorldOneFight,

we need a fully resourced Global Fund #MoreNowThanEver!

The United Kingdom is a founding member, long-time partner and ally, as well as the third largest public donor to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund), having made a total contribution of GBP 5.51 billion to date which has demonstrated your commitments towards global health security and solidarity and ensuring that HIV, TB and malaria responses are delivered through investments in resilient and sustainable systems for health for an equitable future for all. The remarkable leadership of the United Kingdom in supporting the Global Fund partnership's multilateral approach to global health has enabled us to make the biggest leaps in progress in tackling AIDS-related illnesses, TB and malaria. Furthermore, your leadership has supported the Global Fund in working with countries to develop long-term and realistic paths for sustainability, including during the COVID-19 pandemic, which has significantly contributed to improving the lives of communities as well as health systems in low- and middle-income countries.

As communities living with, affected by and/or vulnerable to HIV, TB and malaria and civil society across Africa and Asia-Pacific, we express our deepest appreciation to the United Kingdom for enabling our collective fight against HIV, TB and malaria towards ending the three diseases by 2030.

The Global Fund is the world's largest multilateral financing institution of global health grants in low- and middle-income countries. According to the Global Fund Results Report 2025¹, as of the end of 2024, the Global Fund partnership has saved over 70 million lives and cut the combined death rate from AIDS, TB and malaria by 63% since its establishment in 2002. By the end of 2024, the Global Fund partnership had put 25.6 million people on HIV antiretroviral treatment, treated 7.4 million people for TB and distributed 162 million insecticide-treated mosquito nets to fight malaria. As of mid-2025, the Global Fund partnership has invested US\$69.9 billion to counter the threats of HIV, TB and malaria, enhance global health security and pandemic preparedness, and strengthen health and community systems in more than 100 countries.

The effectiveness of the Global Fund, through strengthened procurement and supply chains, health and community systems, promotion and protection of human rights and gender equality, ensures that key, marginalised and vulnerable populations of HIV, TB and malaria have continuity of prevention and testing services and life-saving treatment. Additionally, the Global Fund is doing important work to address antimicrobial resistance (AMR) which is a huge global threat, including to the National Health System (NHS). The investments of the Global Fund into screening, early diagnosis, treatment, prevention, care and support contribute towards reducing resistance to medicines for HIV, TB and malaria and complements investments into health and community systems strengthening efforts to track and diagnose new pathogens and disease variants.

However, the past few years have been difficult for countless communities affected by climate change, conflict, and attacks on human rights, gender equality, and civic space, which resulted in unprecedented challenges and deepened inequities across the globe. Invariably, these challenges have put the poorest and most marginalised people at greater risk of deadly infectious diseases. More now than ever, investments in the three diseases must continue, to stop new infections, prevent new deaths, and save lives in the face of emerging threats and colliding crises.

As communities and civil society living with and/or affected by the three diseases, we are committed to the Global Fund partnership at the global, regional and country levels to ensure our fight against the three diseases

¹ The full report is available at https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/results/#download

- including building resilient, equitable, quality, and inclusive community health systems centred on human rights and holistic care - is continued and protected.

We commend the United Kingdom's decision to co-host the Eighth Replenishment of the Global Fund alongside the Republic of South Africa. This decision clearly demonstrates the leadership and the commitment of the United Kingdom to global health, as well as its dedication to working through partnerships and effective multilateral action. As we all know, investing in global health means investing in the security and well-being of communities both in the United Kingdom and around the world.

At the launch of the Eighth Replenishment launched on 18 February 2025 for the funding period 2026-2028, the Global Fund called for an investment of US\$18 billion to save 23 million lives; avert 400 million infections or cases; deliver a return on investment of 1:19, resulting in US\$323 billion in returns over 2027-2029; close the equity gaps and accelerate service coverage; reduce global inequality in life expectancy by 7% between 2023 and 2029; catalyse improved and more targeted domestic investments for HIV, TB, malaria and health and community systems; improve resilience to climate change to safeguard progress against HIV, TB and malaria; and save US\$42 billion in primary health care costs, bringing the total savings since 2002 to US\$145 billion.

For the Seventh Replenishment of the Global Fund, the United Kingdom pledged GBP 1 billion. In addition, the United Kingdom contributed an extra GBP 60 million to the COVID-19 Response Mechanism (C19RM).

Therefore, we, communities and civil society living with, affected by and/or vulnerable to HIV, TB and malaria call on the United Kingdom as a co-host of the Eighth Replenishment of the Global Fund to:

- At a minimum, maintain your previous Seventh Replenishment pledge of GBP 1 billion as a
 demonstration of your commitment to global health and working with country partners to build a
 healthier, more equitable world; and
- Rally together with all stakeholders of the Global Fund partnership as a co-host, using your diplomatic leverage to secure a successful Eighth Replenishment of the Global Fund to raise <u>at least US\$18 billion</u>.

We know that US\$18 billion is the absolute minimum for us to effectively reverse the trajectories for HIV, TB and malaria, but it is not enough to meet our 2030 targets. Your commitment towards achieving the SDGs, global health solidarity, building sustainable and resilient systems for health, preparing for future pandemics to ensure healthy lives, and promoting well-being for all will ensure a successfully resourced Global Fund which is more crucial for us as #OneWorldOneFight #MoreNowThanEver!

In solidarity,

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