Civil society interventions on Data Monitoring and Follow-up

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Thank you very much Mr. co-facilitator. I am part of Publish What You Fund, the global campaign for aid transparency and I am today speaking on behalf of the wider FfD Civil Society Group.

We would like to start commending your efforts to strengthen the data, follow up and monitoring of the Financing for Development outcome at Adis Ababa.

Better data on all development finance flows – public and private, domestic and transformational change on its own. It has to be used by and local governments and civil society which should be and capacity.

In this regard, we would like to make specific suggestions to strengthen paragraph 115, 116 and 117.

We suggest to include in paragraph 115 ‘We will seek to improve the availability of sufficiently disaggregated financing data, including data disaggregated by gender, disability, age, and other characteristics – so we make sure no one is left behind – as well as data on other means of implementation, and to strengthen the capacity of our national statistical offices and national information management systems’.

We also suggest paragraph 115 can integrate a commitment to promote and build capacity for data use by all actors engaged in sustainable development efforts, including national and sub-national decision-makers and civil society. Targeted support will be needed for this effort.”

We further suggest to merge paragraph 116 and 117 to make transparency commitments more operational and useful for follow-up, monitoring and mutual accountability efforts.

Therefore we suggest the following text: