Opening Remarks

• Thank you for your warm welcome.

• I invite the Uganda team to stand for recognition.

• I also ask the new UNAIDS Executive Director to stand with us, as she is one of our own.
Introduction

We have made some progress in HIV prevention in Uganda. However, new HIV infections reduced by only 36% between 2010 and 2018. Uganda will not achieve 2020 targets.
We have a number of challenges including:

1. Insufficient funding and mainstreaming
2. Inadequate targeting and coverage
3. Limited strategic information
Uganda commits to the following, by 2020

1) Increase domestic financing by rolling out the government’s *HIV Mainstreaming Guidelines*. These guidelines provide for 0.1% of all public sector budget to be allocated to HIV prevention and coordination activities, and ensure engagement of all sectors.

2) Complete the formulation of the policy framework on adolescent sexual and reproductive health and rights and attain 70% coverage for integrated HIV prevention and SRH programs for adolescent girls and young women in priority locations.

3) Strengthen M&E systems including funding and costing information, and to ensure collection of comprehensive data.
Closing

As a country, we remain committed to the Global HIV Prevention Coalition and we pledge to work together towards ending HIV in Uganda and worldwide by 2030.

I acknowledge the team from Uganda, and congratulate the new UNAIDS Executive Director, who is our own from Uganda.
Thank you!