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Yemen's ongoing nutrition crisis perpetuates a detrimental cycle that jeopardizes peace, stability, and development. Investment in the MSNAP will enable stakeholders to galvanize their efforts to accelerate change. Providing adequate nutrition for vulnerable populations is not only about individual health and well-being; it also contributes to the wider achievement of Yemen's sustainable peacebuilding and humanitarian goals, including social and economic development and food systems transformation.

The MSNAP APs will enable stakeholders and partners to effectively address undernutrition by leveraging their unique comparative advantages. These initiatives are structured to harness the strengths and resources of various entities, fostering a collaborative environment for impactful action. This multifaceted approach ensures that all stakeholders and partners can effectively contribute to the overall goal of improving nutrition, each bringing their unique strengths to the forefront to promote peace and stability.

The Call to Action for each of the key stakeholders and partners is listed below.

Government: Prioritize nutrition within national policies and plans across sectors. Introduce both geographic and thematic APs that align with national strategies, leveraging governmental authority and resources to drive substantial progress in improving nutrition and contributing to development and peace.

Religious Leaders and Tribal Figures: Champion nutrition as a moral and communal imperative. Leverage your influence in mosques, community forums, and tribal gatherings to confront the grave, future-defining threat of widespread malnutrition—particularly among Yemen's most vulnerable: children and mothers. Promote healthy practices, challenge harmful

social norms, and support the effective implementation of the MSNAP by fostering trust, mobilizing collective action, and ensuring messages reach even the most remote communities. Donors: Develop new initiatives and projects as APs that align with MSNAP priorities and engage senior level participation in MSNAP governance structures. By committing financial resources and support, donors can play a pivotal role in scaling-up successful MSNAP interventions and ensuring sustainable impacts and mutual accountability.

UN Agencies – Activate UNN Yemen: UN agencies are called upon to formally establish the United Nations Nutrition (UNN) platform in Yemen and support its functionality as a coordination and technical advisory body. Through UNN, agencies should collaborate with line ministries, donors, and implementing partners to co-develop Action Plans (APs) that align with MSNAP strategic priorities. UNN can leverage global expertise, policy frameworks, and operational capacity to deliver high-impact interventions and foster international cooperation. Senior-level UN representation in MSNAP's governance structure will be essential to ensure strategic alignment and sustained engagement.

International NGOs – Strengthen and Operationalize the SUN CSO Network: INGOs
operating in Yemen are urged to support the formalisation and functionality of the SUN Civil Society Network (CSN), positioning it as a platform for coordinated advocacy, programme design, and community engagement. INGOs should work through the CSN to develop APs aligned with MSNAP priorities, drawing on their field experience and community ties to implement responsive, locally grounded interventions. The CSN can also serve as a conduit for amplifying community voices and ensuring accountability in nutrition programming.

National NGOs – Establish and Empower the SUN CSO Network for Local Leadership:
National NGOs are encouraged to actively participate in the establishment and operationalization of the SUN CSO Network in Yemen, forming consortia to co-develop APs that reflect MSNAP's integrated approach. By pooling resources and expertise, these consortia can deliver comprehensive, community-driven programmes that address multiple determinants of undernutrition. The CSO Network should be empowered to lead capacity-building efforts, monitor implementation, and advocate for policy coherence across sectors.

Private Sector – Launch and Institutionalize the SUN Business Network (SBN): Private sector actors are invited to support the launch and institutionalization of the SUN Business Network (SBN) in Yemen. The SBN should serve as a platform for mobilizing innovation, investment, and market-based solutions that align with MSNAP priorities. Through the SBN, businesses can form consortia, co-develop APs, and contribute to nutrition-sensitive value chains, local production, and technological advancement. The network will also play a critical role in fostering public-private partnerships and driving economic resilience.