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WHO AFRICA RCM73 AGENDA ITEM 18.7 PROGRESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECADE OF ACTION FOR ROAD SAFETY IN THE AFRICAN REGION (AFR/RC73/18.7)

Thank you Honorable chairperson,

Movendi International is deeply concerned that measures to prevent and reduce driving under the influence of alcohol remain under-utilized across our region.

Movendi International calls on WHO and member states to take more ambitious action, including the SAFER alcohol policy blue print to make the new Decade of Action 2021-2030 a success.

Movendi International is ready to partner with WHO and member states to accelerate the following actions:

- 1. Lower blood-alcohol-concentration levels to WHO standards to prevent and reduce the road traffic fatalities,
- 2. Prevent alcohol industry involvement in driving under the influence of alcohol countermeasures it's a huge conflict of interest,
- 3. Increase capacity to conduct random breath testing and sobriety check points in road traffic, and
- 4. Accelerate action on the alcohol policy best buys to improve road safety, promote health, and generate returns on investment.

Thank you.

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Development through alcohol prevention