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Global Nutrition Report to lead the Nutrition Accountability Framework

United Kingdom, 30 November 2020 – The Global Nutrition Report (GNR) will take a lead role in the strengthening of accountability on commitments made to improve nutrition in the run up to the next Nutrition for Growth (N4G) Summit and beyond.

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In partnership with a core group of stakeholders, GNR will establish the Nutrition Accountability Framework (NAF) to consolidate and strengthen accountability for commitments made to improve nutrition. As part of this process, GNR will bring together existing accountability mechanisms to build on and develop the global nutrition accountability infrastructure – with the aim of designing and implementing a sustainable and robust mechanism to track nutrition commitments and the investments made to reach them. The NAF will align and strengthen global nutrition accountability – ensuring strong commitments across government, business and civil society, and driving faster and fairer progress to improve nutrition worldwide.

With actors around the globe gearing up for a year of commitments on nutrition, and the Tokyo N4G Summit now scheduled for December 2021, the coming year provides a historic opportunity to transform the way the world is tackling the global burden of malnutrition. The government of Japan, who will host the next N4G summit, has officially endorsed GNR to lead and coordinate the NAF. GNR will aim to support the government of Japan to ensure all commitments made in the run-up to and during the N4G Summit are SMART, tracked and reported.

Renata Micha, Chair of GNR’s Independent Expert Group, said: “Now, more than ever, it is crucial to invest in nutrition and strengthen accountability if we wish to make our food and health systems resilient to future shocks and protect the gains we have made. The Nutrition Accountability Framework will play a vital role in strengthening the accountability of those who have the power to end malnutrition by driving better data, strengthening commitments and ensuring action is being taken that matches the scale of the problem.”
Notes to editors

Nutrition for Growth (N4G) offers a shared moment for actors from across the globe to make pledges on nutrition, with the aim of driving greater action towards ending malnutrition. Over the past decade, the governments of the United Kingdom, Brazil and Japan have stepped up to mobilise N4G commitments against the backdrop of the Olympics – a symbol of health, strength and human potential.

The last N4G Summit, held in Milan in 2017, took stock of contributions towards pledges made in 2013, while expanding the coalition of global nutrition champions. The Summit generated an additional $3.4 billion in N4G pledges, growing global momentum to improve nutrition outcomes.

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