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**Subject: Call for High-Level Leadership at the 2025 UN High-Level Meeting on NCDs and Mental Health**

Your Excellency [name of contact in either UN Mission or govt rep in capital, feel free to tailor the salutations accordingly],

On behalf of [Organisation name(s)] [and the NCD Alliance – optional], we are writing in the lead-up to the United Nations High-Level Meeting on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases and the Promotion of Mental Health (HLM4), to be held on **25 September 2025 in New York**.

This HLM4 is a critical opportunity for [Country name] to demonstrate national leadership and commitment to tackling the world’s biggest killers. Every year, NCDs and mental health conditions take millions of lives, with devastating impacts on families, societies, and economies. Yet the current draft of the Political Declaration risks backsliding on past commitments, with weaker language on prevention policies, financing, and accountability. At a time when people everywhere are calling for bold action, it is essential that [Country name] signals political will at the highest level — both through visible leadership in New York and through strong commitments at home.

We therefore respectfully urge the government of [country name] to:

* **Ensure the highest level of participation** at the Meeting (Head of State or Head of Government), to send a strong signal of national commitment and elevate [Country name]’s role on the global stage.
* **Deliver a strong intervention statement at the UN floor,** highlighting [Country name]’s national priorities, demonstrating clear leadership, and outlining how global commitments will be translated into domestic action.
* **Show national leadership** by backing commitments with action at home — including budget allocations, evidence-based policies, and accountability mechanisms to deliver results for people living with NCDs and mental health conditions.

This is not just another meeting; it is a defining moment. Governments that lead visibly will set the tone for global action, strengthen their standing on the world stage, and most importantly, prove to their people that their lives and well-being are a national priority.

As civil society advocates, we stand ready to support your government’s leadership — not only in shaping this High-Level Meeting but in delivering on its outcomes. We bring the perspectives of people living with NCDs and mental health conditions, and the experience of communities and networks that can help translate political commitments into concrete action and lasting impact.

We thank you for your commitment to improving the health and well-being of people in [Country name], and we look forward to your leadership at this historic meeting and beyond.

Best regards,

<Signature by organisation representative>

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