Item 13: Private fundraising and partnerships; financial report for the year ended 31 December 2020

- The United States appreciates UNICEF’s clear and informative presentation of the financial report for the private Fundraising and Partnerships division for 2020.

- The United States notes UNICEF’s private sector revenue was 13.4% above 2019 revenue and 10.6 percent above the 2020 target. The United States appreciates UNICEF’s conservative approach to setting the target as the U.S. delegation suggested in last year’s second regular session.

- Private Funding and Partnerships (PFP) UNICEF’s private sector revenue is primarily made up of contributions from individuals, key influencers, governments providing funding through National Committees, and business. The United States delegation notes all categories saw increases with the exception of businesses. From 2019 to 2020, contributions from businesses decreased by $1 million or 0.5% however, we note that over half of private sector revenue raised for the COVID-19 response came from business.

- The United States encourages UNICEF to continue to make progress in private fundraising and productive partnerships to utilize private sector expertise and experiences to continue to deliver results for children.

- We ask UNICEF to provide further clarity and details to the Executive Board on what robust risk management measures the organization will be using as part of its fundraising and partnerships strategy.