Grouping 3.1
18.1 Maternal, infant and young child nutrition

Statement:
An estimated 5-7 million additional children will be stunted by 2030. Stunting is a symptom of structural inequalities, but the political economy driving stunting remains unaddressed in the report tabled to the EB, which is noted in the consolidated report tabled at WHA. Support for small-scale producers, and local food systems to ensure food sovereignty is lacking from the document.

The report prioritises breastfeeding counselling but only mentions in passing social and physical determinants of mother and child health, such as parental leave, access to comprehensive primary health care (CPHC), improved social determinants of health, and access to essential services like water and sanitation. Similarly, CPHC is foundational to the success of targeted interventions addressing iodine deficiencies, but the consolidated report does not mention this.