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I'm Dr. Judy Kuriansky, Chair of the Psychology Coalition of NGOs accredited here at The UN. Thank you for this interactive dialogue, which goes beyond what we had last year, which is wonderful.

I want to underscore very quickly three simple and very clear points made here by various of the speakers, and to expand a bit on them.

The first one was made by the eminent Ms. Amina Mohammed and the DPR of Brazil, that the Declaration should be in harmony with the Goals and Targets, so it's an integrated document. On this point, I want to highlight the point made by my colleague Marianne Haslegrave of the Health Group, to emphasize the issue of **wellbeing**. This can be covered very simply by adding into the rights, among the list of rights, the rights to physical and mental health and wellbeing. This would fulfill the issue of words very simple, very clear.

The second point I want to underscore was made by the Ambassador of The Maldives, who emphasized the theme of **resilience**. This is another word that I feel should be in the Declaration, particularly with regard to the upcoming conferences in Sendai and looking ahead to Paris. Along(?) this point, resilience, then, should not just refer to infrastructural resilience but psychosocial resilience, which we know is very important for the recovery of people very long-term with all the stresses that they face.

Lastly, I think the Declaration needs to emphasize the **multi-stakeholder partnerships** in simple words. This is very clear to me, having just returned from Sierra Leone, where there is such a multi-stakeholder partnership being implemented about psychosocial recovery with the Ministry and a UN agency and many international aid organizations and local NGOs, so I think it fits what we've been talking about here very well.

Also, the '**Four Ps**' that Ambassador Kamau has mentioned yesterday – he actually added another one – which I think are very clear language, and really would hit home with the people. Those kinds of phrases I think belong in the Declaration, about People and Planet and Partnership, and he added Participation yesterday.

Thank you, Mr. Co-facilitator.