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partnership between UNFPA, UNICEF, WHO and the World Bank that is coordinating joint efforts to accelerate progress. The H4 is intensifying in-country work in 25 priority countries, with special attention to those six countries which represent more than half the number of maternal deaths

In addition, in the area of human resources for health, UNFPA is working with countries to build national capacity to increase skilled attendance at birth and provide emergency obstetric care. UNFPA launched an *Investing in Midwives Programme* in collaboration with the International Confederation of Midwives and organized in 2009, together with its partners, a landmark Conference

Mr. Chairman, if we want more prosperous and equitable societies, in which poverty is eradicated we need to be able to eliminate the causes of high morbidity and mortality of women

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