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Agenda item 13.1

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Efficiency plan for the financial period 1998-1999

The Executive Board,

Recalling resolution EB99.R13 on programme budgeting and priority-setting, and resolution WHA50.26 on "proposed programme budget for the 1998-1999 biennium: reallocation to priority health programmes of amounts resulting from measures to increase efficiency";

Recognizing the need to ensure that specific high-priority health activities receive the most substantial financing possible, as recommended by the Executive Board at its ninety-ninth session,

- 1. NOTES the report by the Director-General on the efficiency plan for the financial period 1998-1999;¹
- 2. REITERATES its request to the Director-General:
 - (1) to develop and present a comprehensive efficiency plan for the Organization, based on a review of the six appropriation sections, that clearly identifies specific administrative savings and more effective means of programme delivery;
 - (2) to specify clearly in the development of the efficiency plan a systematic approach to save, through measures of efficiency, 3% from the administrative and overhead costs in the six appropriation sections during the 1998-1999 biennium, and to reallocate these amounts to priority health programmes;
 - (3) to report to the Fifty-first World Health Assembly on the efficiency plan, clearly specifying savings to be made and indicating the health programmes to which such savings should be reallocated, and on the progress made in the implementation of resolution EB99.R13;
 - (4) to report to the Fifty-first World Health Assembly on the action taken to respond to the requests of the Executive Board in resolution EB99.R13, and in detail to the Executive Board at its 103rd session.

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¹ Document EB101/23.