

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

EXECUTIVE BOARD
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Provisional agenda for the Fifty-ninth World Health Assembly

Report of the Director-General

1. According to Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly, the Executive Board shall prepare the provisional agenda of each regular session of the Health Assembly after consideration of proposals submitted by the Director-General. Proposals from the Director-General for the provisional agenda of the Fifty-ninth World Health Assembly are attached at Annex 1.
2. The Thirty-second World Health Assembly, in resolution WHA32.36, decided that the Executive Board “shall fix a preliminary daily timetable for the Health Assembly’s consideration of its agenda and the General Committee shall review and approve this timetable, subsequently revising it if and when required”. A draft preliminary daily timetable for the Fifty-ninth World Health Assembly is attached at Annex 2.

ACTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

3. The Executive Board may wish to adopt the following draft decision:

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the Director-General on the provisional agenda for the Fifty-ninth World Health Assembly,¹ and recalling its earlier decision that the Fifty-ninth World Health Assembly should be held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, opening on Monday, 22 May 2006, and closing no later than Saturday, 27 May 2006,² approved the provisional agenda of the Fifty-ninth World Health Assembly.

¹ Document EB117/27.

² See decision EB116(5).

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FIFTY-NINTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY
Geneva, Switzerland
22-27 May 2006

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Provisional agenda

PLENARY

- 1. Opening of the Assembly**
 - 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
 - 1.2 Election of the Committee on Nominations
 - 1.3 Reports of the Committee on Nominations
 - Election of the President
 - Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
 - 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees
- 2. Reports of the Executive Board on its 116th and 117th sessions**
- 3. Address by Dr Lee Jong-wook, Director-General**
- 4. Invited speaker**
- 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]**
- 6. Executive Board: election**
- 7. Awards**
- 8. Reports of the main committees**
- 9. Closure of the Assembly**

COMMITTEE A

10. Opening of the Committee¹

11. Eleventh General Programme of Work, 2006-2015

12. Technical and health matters

- 12.1 Strengthening pandemic-influenza preparedness and response, including application of the International Health Regulations (2005)
- 12.2 Eradication of poliomyelitis
- 12.3 Nutrition and HIV/AIDS
- 12.4 Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks
- 12.5 Prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections: draft global strategy
- 12.6 Prevention of avoidable blindness and visual impairment
- 12.7 Infant and young child nutrition: quadrennial report
- 12.8 WHO's contribution to implementation of the strategy for child and adolescent health and development
- 12.9 International trade and health
- 12.10 International migration of health personnel: a challenge for health systems in developing countries
- 12.11 WHO's role and responsibilities in health research
- 12.12 Implementation of resolutions: progress reports
 - Health action in relation to crises and disasters (resolution WHA58.1)
 - Control of human African trypanosomiasis (resolution WHA57.2)
 - Global strategy on diet, physical activity and health (resolution WHA57.17)
 - Family and health in the context of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family (resolution WHA57.11)
 - Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (resolution WHA57.12)

¹ Including election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur.

- Sustainable health financing, universal coverage and social health insurance (resolution WHA58.33)
- The role of contractual arrangements in improving health systems' performance (resolution WHA56.25)

COMMITTEE B

13. Opening of the Committee¹

14. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan: progress report

15. Programme budget and financial matters

15.1 Programme budget 2004-2005: performance assessment

15.2 Financial report on the accounts of WHO for 2004-2005

15.3 Status of collection of assessed contributions, including Member States in arrears in the payment of their contributions to an extent that would justify invoking Article 7 of the Constitution

15.4 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears

15.5 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]

15.6 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

16. Audit and oversight matters

16.1 Report of the External Auditor and comments thereon made on behalf of the Executive Board

16.2 Report of the Internal Auditor and comments thereon made on behalf of the Executive Board

17. Real Estate Fund

18. Staffing matters

18.1 Human resources: annual report

18.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

18.3 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

¹ Including election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur.

- 19. Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations, including United Nations reform process**
- 20. Codex Alimentarius Commission: amendment to Statute**

ANNEX 2

**PRELIMINARY DAILY TIMETABLE FOR THE
FIFTY-NINTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY**

May 2006	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
Monday 22				
10:00	1. Opening of the Assembly 1.1 Appointment of Committee on Credentials 1.2 Election of Committee on Nominations	-	-	
10:30	[suspension]	-	-	Committee on Nominations
11:00	1.3 Reports of the Committee on Nominations	-	-	
11:30	-	-	-	General Committee
14:30	- Presidential address 1.4 Adoption of agenda 2. Chairman, Executive Board 3. Director-General 4. Invited speaker - General discussion	-	-	
		10. Opening of the Committee 11. General Programme of Work 2006-2015	-	
Tuesday 23				
09:00	- General discussion (continued)	11. General Programme of Work 2006-2015 (continued) 12. Technical and health matters	-	

May 2006	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
Tuesday 23 (continued)				
15:00	– General discussion (continued)	12. Technical and health matters (continued)	-	
18:00	-	-	-	Committee on Credentials
Wednesday 24				
09:00	– Report of Committee on Credentials 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any] – General discussion (continued) ...	- 12. Technical and health matters (continued) ...	- -
15:00	– General discussion (continued) -	12. Technical and health matters (continued)	- 13. Opening of the Committee 14. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan: progress report 15. Programme budget and financial matters	
18:00	-	-	-	General Committee (list for election, Executive Board)

May 2006	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
Thursday 25				
09:00	-	12. Technical and health matters (continued)	16. Audit and oversight matters	

15:00	-	12. Technical and health matters (continued)	17. Real Estate Fund 18. Staffing matters	
17:00	7. Awards	-	-	
Friday 26				
09:00	6. Executive Board: election 8. Reports of the main committees -	12. Technical and health matters (continued)	18. Staffing matters (continued) 19. Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations, including United Nations reform process	

15:00	-	12. Technical and health matters (continued)	20. Codex Alimentarius Commission: amendment to Statute	
Saturday 27				
09:00	8. Reports of the main committees (continued) 9. Closure of the Assembly	-	-	

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