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FIFTY-SECOND WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY

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Third report of Committee B

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Committee B held its sixth meeting on 22 May 1999 under the chairmanship of Dr J. Eskola (Finland).

It was decided to recommend to the Fifty-second World Health Assembly the adoption of the attached resolutions and decision relating to the following agenda items:

18. Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations

One resolution entitled:

% Support to Central American countries affected by Hurricane Mitch

15. Management and financial matters

C Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Rules

One resolution entitled:

% Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General

C Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

One decision

C Unaudited interim financial report on the accounts of WHO for 1998 and comments thereon of the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee; report of the External Auditor; report of the Internal Auditor

One resolution entitled:

% Unaudited interim financial report on the accounts of WHO for 1998; report of the External Auditor; report of the Internal Auditor

C Real Estate Fund

One resolution

C Amendments to Financial Regulations and Rules

One resolution

C Scale of assessments for the financial period 2000-2001

One resolution

Agenda item 18

Support to Central American countries affected by Hurricane Mitch

The Fifty-second World Health Assembly,

Recalling resolutions WHA48.2 on emergency and humanitarian action, which stresses the special needs of disaster-prone countries and WHA42.16 on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction;

Recognizing that Hurricane Mitch has damaged every aspect of the development of the Central American region, especially in Honduras and Nicaragua, the worst affected countries, putting the environment and sustainable human development at serious risk; and in this subregional context noting the impact of Hurricane George in the Dominican Republic;

Concerned at the problems of malnutrition, morbidity and mortality that have been aggravated by this natural disaster and which are directly related to the activities and interests of WHO according to its strategic objectives;

Recognizing the need for a continuing joint and extraordinary effort by all the countries of the region in order to maintain what has been achieved so far, accelerate the social and economic development of the region and reduce its vulnerability, especially in the health sector and the need to develop preparedness, prevention, mitigation and early warning systems in order to reduce vulnerability to disasters of this kind throughout the world;

Taking into account that the Central American countries affected are seriously limited by a sharp reduction in their economic and other resources;

Convinced that the main function of the United Nations and its specialized agencies is to support national efforts in accordance with their respective sectoral responsibilities and to help Member States strengthen their capacity to deal with the humanitarian and socioeconomic consequences of complex emergency situations and their aftermath,

1. EXPRESSES solidarity with the people of Central America affected by Hurricane Mitch, which is regarded by the United Nations as the worst natural disaster in the Americas this century;
2. COMMENDS the prompt response of governments and of nongovernmental and private voluntary organizations for the relief they provided in the emergency phase;
3. RECOGNIZES that in the reconstruction and transformation phase, the countries of the region have a unique opportunity to improve the health of their populations, especially by providing better health services;
4. ENCOURAGES the international community to maintain its support in the difficult task of rehabilitating and rebuilding with a view to sustainable development;
5. REQUESTS the Director-General:

- (1) to intensify the assistance that WHO provides to health programmes through headquarters and the Regional Office for the Americas;
- (2) to continue giving due attention to this situation and take the necessary steps, on the basis of reports on the health situation in Central American countries;
- (3) to distribute this resolution to the organizations of the United Nations system and other relevant international institutions, and to report on this matter to the Fifty-third World Health Assembly.

Agenda item 15

Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General

The Fifty-second World Health Assembly,

Noting the recommendation of the Executive Board with regard to remuneration of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General,

1. ESTABLISHES the salary for ungraded posts at US\$ 137 683 per annum before staff assessment, resulting in a modified net salary of US\$ 95 995 (dependency rate) or US\$ 86 926 (single rate);
2. ESTABLISHES the salary for the Director-General at US\$ 186 094 per annum before staff assessment, resulting in a modified net salary of US\$ 126 494 (dependency rate) or US\$ 112 488 (single rate);
3. DECIDES that those adjustments in remuneration shall take effect on 1 March 1999.

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**Appointment of representatives to the
WHO Staff Pension Committee**

The Fifty-second World Health Assembly appointed Dr L. Malolo, delegate of Tonga, as a member of the WHO Staff Pension Committee, and Dr J.K.M. Mulwa, delegate of Botswana, as an alternate member of the Committee, the appointments being for a period of three years.

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**Unaudited interim financial report on the accounts of WHO for 1998;
report of the External Auditor; report of the Internal Auditor**

The Fifty-second World Health Assembly,

Having examined the unaudited interim financial report for the year 1998 of the financial period 1998-1999;¹

Having noted the report of the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee of the Executive Board,

ACCEPTS the Director-General's unaudited interim financial report for the year 1998.

¹ Documents A52/13 and Add.1 (see also documents A52/14 and A52/15).

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Real Estate Fund

The Fifty-second World Health Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Director-General on the status of projects financed from the Real Estate Fund and the estimated requirements of the Fund for the period 1 June 1999 to 31 May 2000;

Recognizing that certain estimates must necessarily remain provisional,

1. AUTHORIZES the financing from the Real Estate Fund of the expenditures indicated under Section III of the Director-General's report, at an estimated cost of US\$ 50 000;
2. AUTHORIZES the transfer from the Real Estate Fund to Casual Income of the amount of US\$ 2 049 000.

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Amendments to Financial Regulations and Rules

The Fifty-second World Health Assembly,

Having considered the amendments to the Financial Regulations proposed by the Director-General and endorsed by the Executive Board at its 103rd session,

1. ADOPTS the proposed amendments to the Financial Regulations;
2. CONFIRMS the amendments to the Financial Rules as annexed to the Director-General's report.

Agenda item 15

Scale of assessments for the financial period 2000-2001

The Fifty-second World Health Assembly

DECIDES that the scale of assessments for the years 2000 and 2001 shall be as follows:

(1)	(2)
Members and Associate Members	WHO scales 2000-2001
	%
Afghanistan	0.003
Albania	0.003
Algeria	0.085
Andorra	0.004
Angola	0.010
Antigua and Barbuda	0.002
Argentina	1.085
Armenia	0.006
Australia	1.459
Austria	0.927
Azerbaijan	0.011
Bahamas	0.015
Bahrain	0.017
Bangladesh	0.010
Barbados	0.008
Belarus	0.056
Belgium	1.086
Belize	0.001
Benin	0.002
Bhutan	0.001
Bolivia	0.007
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.005
Botswana	0.010
Brazil	1.447
Brunei Darussalam	0.020
Bulgaria	0.011
Burkina Faso	0.002
Burundi	0.001
Cambodia	0.001
Cameroon	0.013
Canada	2.688
Cape Verde	0.002

(1)	(2)
Members and Associate Members	WHO scales 2000-2001
	%
Central African Republic	0.001
Chad	0.001
Chile	0.134
China	0.979
Colombia	0.107
Comoros	0.001
Congo	0.003
Cook Islands ^a	0.001
Costa Rica	0.016
Cote d'Ivoire	0.009
Croatia	0.029
Cuba	0.024
Cyprus	0.033
Czech Republic	0.105
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.015
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.007
Denmark	0.681
Djibouti	0.001
Dominica	0.001
Dominican Republic	0.015
Ecuador	0.020
Egypt	0.064
El Salvador	0.012
Equatorial Guinea	0.001
Eritrea	0.001
Estonia	0.012
Ethiopia	0.006
Fiji	0.004
Finland	0.534
France	6.440
Gabon	0.015
Gambia	0.001
Georgia	0.007
Germany	9.699
Ghana	0.007
Greece	0.345
Grenada	0.001
Guatemala	0.018
Guinea	0.003
Guinea-Bissau	0.001
Guyana	0.001

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(1)	(2)
Members and Associate Members	WHO scales 2000-2001
	%
Haiti	0.002
Honduras	0.003
Hungary	0.118
Iceland	0.031
India	0.294
Indonesia	0.185
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.158
Iraq	0.031
Ireland	0.220
Israel	0.344
Italy	5.350
Jamaica	0.006
Japan	20.244
Jordan	0.006
Kazakhstan	0.047
Kenya	0.007
Kiribati ^a	0.001
Kuwait	0.126
Kyrgyzstan	0.006
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.001
Latvia	0.017
Lebanon	0.016
Lesotho	0.002
Liberia	0.002
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	0.122
Lithuania	0.015
Luxembourg	0.067
Madagascar	0.003
Malawi	0.002
Malaysia	0.180
Maldives	0.001
Mali	0.002
Malta	0.014
Marshall Islands	0.001
Mauritania	0.001
Mauritius	0.009
Mexico	0.979
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.001
Monaco	0.004
Mongolia	0.002
Morocco	0.040

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Members and Associate Members	WHO scales 2000-2001
	%
Mozambique	0.001
Myanmar	0.008
Namibia	0.007
Nauru ^a	0.001
Nepal	0.004
Netherlands	1.606
New Zealand	0.217
Nicaragua	0.001
Niger	0.002
Nigeria	0.031
Niue ^a	0.001
Norway	0.600
Oman	0.050
Pakistan	0.058
Palau	0.001
Panama	0.013
Papua New Guinea	0.007
Paraguay	0.014
Peru	0.097
Philippines	0.080
Poland	0.193
Portugal	0.424
Puerto Rico ^{a,b}	0.001
Qatar	0.032
Republic of Korea	0.990
Republic of Moldova	0.010
Romania	0.055
Russian Federation	1.060
Rwanda	0.001
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001
Saint Lucia	0.001
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001
Samoa	0.001
San Marino	0.002
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001
Saudi Arabia	0.553
Senegal	0.006
Seychelles	0.002
Sierra Leone	0.001
Singapore	0.176

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Members and Associate Members	WHO scales 2000-2001
	%
Slovakia	0.034
Slovenia	0.060
Solomon Islands	0.001
Somalia	0.001
South Africa	0.360
Spain	2.550
Sri Lanka	0.012
Sudan	0.007
Suriname	0.004
Swaziland	0.002
Sweden	1.062
Switzerland ^a	1.196
Syrian Arab Republic	0.063
Tajikistan	0.004
Thailand	0.167
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	0.004
Togo	0.001
Tokelau ^{a,b}	0.001
Tonga ^a	0.001
Trinidad and Tobago	0.016
Tunisia	0.027
Turkey	0.433
Turkmenistan	0.006
Tuvalu ^a	0.001
Uganda	0.004
Ukraine	0.187
United Arab Emirates	0.175
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	5.011
United Republic of Tanzania	0.003
United States of America	25.000
Uruguay	0.047
Uzbekistan	0.025
Vanuatu	0.001
Venezuela	0.157
Viet Nam	0.007
Yemen	0.010
Yugoslavia	0.026
Zambia	0.002

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(1) Members and Associate Members	(2) WHO scales 2000-2001
Zimbabwe	% 0.009