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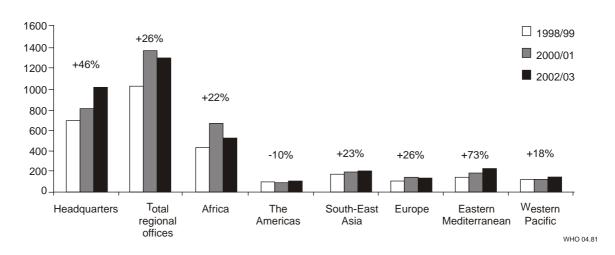
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Regular budget allocations to regions

Report by the Director-General

- 1. Document A57/24, Annex 2, shows the regular budget allocations to regions for the bienniums 2000-2001, 2002-2003, and 2004-2005.
- 2. As noted in the report of the Director-General contained in the Financial Report and Audited Financial Statements for the period 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2003,¹ the level of expenditure financed by voluntary contributions has progressively increased since the biennium 1998-1999.
- 3. The table below shows the evolution of expenditure financed by all sources of funds by region. This indicates that total expenditure in regions has increased, notwithstanding the decrease in regular budget allocations experienced in some regions as a result of application of resolution WHA51.31.
- 4. It will be noted that expenditure in headquarters in 2002-2003 has increased as a proportion of total expenditure in comparison with 2000-2001. The Director-General is committed to reversing this development by progressively transferring resources from headquarters to regions, aiming at a target of 70% of all resources expended in regions and countries by the end of 2004-2005.

Total expenditure: regular budget and other sources



¹ Document A57/20.