Awards

Amendments to the Statutes governing the Ihsan Dogramaci Family Health Foundation

1. The Director-General has the honour to transmit to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the amendments to the Statutes governing the Ihsan Dogramaci Family Health Foundation, which were made following the decision taken in January 2007 by the Ihsan Dogramaci Family Health Foundation Selection Panel.

2. In accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the Statutes, the Panel unanimously decided to revise Article 5 of the Statutes of the Ihsan Dogramaci Family Health Foundation in order to bring it into line with revisions made to Article 4 of the Statutes in January 2005, and to make two editorial changes in Article 4 of the Statutes. In accordance with Article 8 of the Statutes, the amended Statutes are attached at Annex for the information of the Health Assembly.
ANNEX

STATUTES OF THE IHSAN DOGRAMACI FAMILY HEALTH FOUNDATION

(Revised in January 2007)

Article 1

Establishment

Under the title of the “Ihsan Dogramaci Family Health Foundation”, a foundation is established within the framework of the World Health Organization, which shall be governed by the following provisions.

Article 2

The Founder

The Foundation is established upon the initiative and with funds provided by its Founder, Professor Ihsan Dogramaci.

Article 3

Capital

The capital of the Foundation is US$ 400 000 (US dollars four hundred thousand). The capital of the Foundation may be increased by all the income from its undistributed reserves or by gifts and bequests.

Article 4

Purpose

The Foundation is established for the purpose of promoting and raising the standards of family health by encouraging research in family health and also by acknowledging individuals who have contributed distinguished service in the field of family health. To achieve this the Foundation shall:

every two years award a prize consisting of a gold-plated silver medal, a certificate and an honorarium to a person or persons having accomplished service in the field of family health. The Prize shall be presented during a meeting of the World Health Assembly to the recipient(s) or, in their absence, to a person (or persons) representing him/her (them). Should more than one person be selected, the prize money will be divided equally among the awardees, who shall each receive a certificate and a medal.

In the selection of awardees geographic equity shall be observed as far as possible.
The amount of the honorarium shall be determined each year by the Chairman of the Foundation Selection Panel in consultation with the WHO Treasury and in accordance with the accumulated interest on the Foundation’s capital.

The cost of the medal shall be met by the Founder.

The Prize shall be awarded in alternate years, for the first time at the World Health Assembly in 2007.

Article 5

Proposal and selection of candidates for the Prize

Any national health administration, the Executive Director of the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), and the Bureau of the International Children’s Center (Ankara), as well as any former recipient of the Prize, may put forward the name of a person for the Prize. Proposals will be made to the Foundation Selection Panel. The Executive Board of the World Health Organization shall determine the recipients of the Prize on the proposal of the Foundation Selection Panel.

The recipients of the Prize will be encouraged to meet regularly (normally every two or three years) to discuss ways and means of promoting family health in their communities and beyond and to submit their recommendations to the World Health Organization Secretariat and to the International Children’s Center (Ankara). These meetings will be convened and coordinated by the International Children’s Center (Ankara).

Article 6

Administration

The Foundation shall be administrated by its Administrator, namely the Director-General of the World Health Organization. The Administrator shall implement the decisions of the Foundation Selection Panel, consisting of the Chairman of the Executive Board, the President of Bilkent University, Turkey, or the President’s appointee and a representative of the International Children’s Center (Ankara) appointed by its Bureau. The presence of all members of the Panel shall be required for the taking of decisions.

Article 7

Administrator

The Administrator shall be responsible:

(1) for the execution of the decisions taken by the Foundation Selection Panel within the limits of its powers as defined in these Statutes; and

(2) for the observance of the present Statutes and generally for the operation of the Foundation as limited by these Statutes.
Article 8

Revision of the Statutes

On the proposal of one of its members, the Foundation Selection Panel may decide to revise the present Statutes. Such a decision, however, shall not be valid unless taken by an absolute majority. Any such revision shall be transmitted for information to the World Health Assembly.

Article 9

Dissolution of the Foundation

In the case of dissolution of the Foundation the assets shall go to the International Children’s Center (Ankara).