Decisions

EB137(1) Membership of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee

The Executive Board appointed as members of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee Dra. Andrea Carbone (Argentina), Dr Thomas Frieden (United States of America), Dr Phusit Prakongsai (Thailand), Professor Benoit Vallet (France), Dr Ali Saad Al-Obaidi (Kuwait) and Dr Jeon Man-Bok (Republic of Korea) for a two-year period or until expiry of their membership on the Board, whichever is first, in addition to Dr Mukengeshayi Kupa (Democratic Republic of the Congo), Mr Omar Sey (Gambia), Mr Khaga Raj Adhikari (Nepal), Mrs Kathryn Tyson (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Dr Abdullah bin Mifreh Assiri (Saudi Arabia) and Ms Zhang Yang (China) who were already members of the Committee. Ms Precious Matsoso (South Africa) Chairman of the Board, and Mr Josep M. Casals Alis (Andorra), Vice-Chairman of the Board, were appointed members ex officio. It was understood that, if any of the Committee members were unable to attend, except the two ex-officio members, his or her successor, or the alternate member of the Board designated by the government concerned, in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, would participate in the work of the Committee.

(Second meeting, 27 May 2015)

EB137(2) Membership of the Executive Board’s Standing Committee on Nongovernmental Organizations

The Executive Board appointed Mr Sylvain Segard (Canada), Dr Assad Hafeez (Pakistan) and Dr Janette Loreto Garin (Philippines) as members of its Standing Committee on Nongovernmental Organizations for the duration of their term of office on the Executive Board. It was understood that if any member of the Committee was unable to attend, his or her successor or the alternate member of the Board designated by the government concerned, in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, would participate in the work of the Committee.

(Second meeting, 27 May 2015)

EB137(3) Appointment of representatives of the Executive Board at the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly

The Executive Board, in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution EB59.R7, appointed its Chairman, Ms Precious Matsoso (South Africa) and its first three Vice-Chairmen, Dr Andrea Carbone (Argentina), Dr Jeon Man-Bok (Republic of Korea) and Dr Assad Hafeez (Pakistan), to represent the Executive Board at the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly. It was understood that if any of those members were not available for the Health Assembly, the other Vice-Chairman, Mr Josep M. Casals Alis (Andorra), and the Rapporteur, Mr Kim Chang Min (Democratic People’s Republic of Korea), could be asked to represent the Board.

(Second meeting, 27 May 2015)
EB137(4) Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee

The Executive Board noted the report contained in document EB137/8 Add.2 on membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee and appointed Ms Jeya Wilson (South Africa and New Zealand) and Mr Leonardo P. Gomes Pereira (Brazil) as members of the Committee for a four-year non-renewable term of office, in accordance with resolution EB125.R1, starting May 2016.

(Second meeting, 27 May 2015)

EB137(5) Place, date and duration of the 138th session of the Executive Board and the twenty-third meeting of the Programme Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board

The Executive Board decided that its 138th session should be convened on Monday, 25 January 2016, at WHO headquarters, Geneva, and should close no later than Saturday, 30 January 2016. The Board further decided that the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board should hold its twenty-third meeting on Thursday, 21 January, and Friday, 22 January 2016, at WHO headquarters, Geneva.

(Third meeting, 28 May 2015)

EB137(6) Place, date and duration of the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly and the twenty-fourth meeting of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board

The Executive Board decided that the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly should be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, opening on Monday, 23 May 2016, and close no later than 18:00 on Saturday, 28 May 2016. The Board further decided that the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board should hold its twenty-fourth meeting on Thursday, 19 May and Friday, 20 May 2016, at WHO headquarters, Geneva.

(Third meeting, 28 May 2015)

EB137(7) Strategic budget space allocation

The Executive Board, having considered the report by the Working Group on the Strategic Budget Space Allocation,1 recommended to the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly the adoption of the following decision:

The Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly decided the following:

(1) to welcome the report of the Working Group on the Strategic Budget Space Allocation and express its appreciation to the members of the Working Group for their thoroughness in reviewing the previous work and for developing a revised model in an objective and timely manner;

1 Document EB137/6, Annex.
(2) to endorse the proposed model recommended by the Working Group on the Strategic Budget Space Allocation;

(3) to request the Director-General, with respect to the endorsed model:

(a) to implement the recommended model, over a period of three to four bienniums, and to minimize any negative budgetary impact at regional and country levels, particularly in the countries with the greatest need, in consultation with the Regional Directors, using the current allocation for technical cooperation at country level as the starting point;

(b) to report every biennium on the implementation of the new model, as part of the programme budget reports, to the Executive Board through its Programme Budget and Administration Committee;

(c) to conduct reviews at least every six years in order to assess the relevance of the model to country needs and its impact on the regional budget envelopes;

(4) to further request the Director-General to work with Regional Directors to strive towards the use of WHO country budgets and the Organization’s social and intellectual capital to leverage additional resources in order to implement and sustain national priority programmes effectively.

(Third meeting, 28 May 2015)