SIXTY-SEVENTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY Agenda item 19

Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan

Draft decision proposed by the delegations of Algeria, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen

The Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly,

Mindful of the basic principle established in the Constitution of the World Health Organization, which affirms that the health of all peoples is fundamental to the attainment of peace and security, and stressing that unimpeded access to health care is a crucial component of the right to health,

REQUESTS the Director-General:

- (1) to report on the health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan, to the Sixty-eighth World Health Assembly, based on a field assessment, including with special focus on:
 - (a) barriers to health access in the occupied Palestinian territory, as well as progress made in the implementation of the recommendations contained in the World Health Organization 2013 report on "Right to health: barriers to health access in the occupied Palestinian territory";
 - (b) access to adequate health services on the part of Palestinian prisoners;
 - (c) the effect of prolonged occupation and human rights violations on mental health, particularly the mental consequences of the Israeli military detention system on child detainees;
 - (d) the effect of impeded access to water and sanitation, as well as food insecurity, on health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, particularly in the Gaza Strip;
 - (e) the provision of financial and technical assistance and support by the international donor community, and its contribution to improving health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory;

- (2) to provide support to the Palestinian health services, including capacity building programmes;
- (3) to provide health-related technical assistance to the Syrian population in the occupied Syrian Golan;
- (4) to continue providing necessary technical assistance in order to meet the health needs of the Palestinian people, including prisoners and detainees in cooperation with the efforts of the International Committee of the Red Cross, and the handicapped and injured;
- (5) to also provide support to the Palestinian health sector in preparing for emergency situations, and scale up emergency preparedness and response capacities;
- (6) to support the development of the health system in the occupied Palestinian territory, including development of human resources.

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