Implementation of the
International Health Regulations (2005)

The Seventieth World Health Assembly, having considered the report on implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005): global implementation plan,¹ mindful of the legally binding nature of the International Health Regulations (2005), recalling country ownership and WHO’s leadership in the implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005), and aware of the urgency of their implementation, decided:

(1) to take note of the report contained in document A70/16; and

(2) to request the Director-General:

(a) to develop, in full consultation with Member States, including through the regional committees, a draft five-year global strategic plan to improve public health preparedness and response, based on the guiding principles contained in Annex 2 of document A70/16, to be submitted for consideration and adoption by the Seventy-first World Health Assembly, through the Executive Board at its 142nd session;

(b) to continue to pursue and strengthen efforts to support Member States in the full implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005), including through building their core public health capacities.

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¹ Document A70/16.