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Programme of meetings for Tuesday, 30 May 2017

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09:00	Twelfth meeting	Seventh meeting
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141st session of the Executive Board, 1–2 June 2017, WHO headquarters – Executive Board room

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- the Palais, registration desk in the Concordia zone, between doors 13 and 15
 - Tuesday, 30 May: 14:00–17:30
 - Wednesday, 31 May: 08:00 until the closure of the plenary session but no later than 18:00
- WHO headquarters main lobby
 - Thursday, 1 June: 08:00–17:30
 - Friday, 2 June: 08:00 until the end of the session

Working hours 09:30–12:30 and 14:30–17:30 (*exceptionally, the EB will convene at 09:00 on Thursday, 1 June*)

1. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

Twelfth and thirteenth meetings of Committee A

Room XVIII – 09:00 and 14:30

- **Draft fifth report of Committee A**
Document (Draft) A70/75 containing one decision entitled:
– *Member State mechanism on substandard/spurious/falsely-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products*
and two resolutions entitled:
– *Strengthening immunization to achieve the goals of the global vaccine action plan*
– *Promoting the health of refugees and migrants*
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- Noncommunicable diseases**
- A. WHO global disability action plan 2014–2021: better health for all people with disability (resolution WHA67.7 (2014))
- B. Addressing the challenges of the United Nations Decade of Action for Road Safety (2011–2020): outcome of the second Global High-level Conference on Road Safety – Time for Results (resolution WHA69.7 (2016))
- C. Towards universal eye health: a global action plan 2014–2019 (resolution WHA66.4 (2013))
- Communicable diseases**
- D. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16 (2011))
- E. Global strategy and targets for tuberculosis prevention, care and control after 2015 (resolution WHA67.1 (2014))
- F. Global technical strategy and targets for malaria 2016–2030 (resolution WHA68.2 (2015))
- Promoting health through the life course**
- G. Public health impacts of exposure to mercury and mercury compounds: the role of WHO and ministries of public health in the implementation of the Minamata Convention (resolution WHA67.11 (2014))
- H. Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (resolution WHA60.25 (2007))

Health systems

- I. Progress in the rational use of medicines (resolution WHA60.16 (2007))
- J. Regulatory system strengthening for medical products (resolution WHA67.20 (2014))
- K. Strengthening emergency and essential surgical care and anaesthesia as a component of universal health coverage (resolution WHA68.15 (2015))

Preparedness, surveillance and response

- L. Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks (resolution WHA60.1 (2007))
- M. Enhancement of laboratory biosafety (resolution WHA58.29 (2005))

Finalization of resolutions and reports

Seventh and eighth meetings of Committee B

Room XVII – 09:00 and 14:30

- **Draft third report of Committee B**
Document (Draft) A70/76 containing two decisions entitled:
 - *Draft global action plan on the public health response to dementia*
 - *Public health dimension of the world drug problem*
- Item 15 (continued) Noncommunicable diseases (transferred from Committee A)**
- Item 15.4 (continued) – Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition
Document A70/30
- Item 15.1 (continued) – Preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases, to be held in 2018
Documents A70/27, A70/B/CONF./2 and A70/B/CONF./2 Add.1
- Item 15.5 – Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan
Documents A70/31, A70/A/CONF./10 and A70/A/CONF./10 Add.1
- Item 15.6 – Cancer prevention and control in the context of an integrated approach
Documents A70/32, A70/A/CONF./9 and A70/A/CONF./9 Add.1
- Item 15.7 – Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control
Documents A70/33, A70/A/CONF./3 and A70/A/CONF./3 Add.1
- Item 15.8 – Prevention of deafness and hearing loss
Documents EB139/2016/REC/1, resolution EB139.R1 and A70/34

Finalization of resolutions and reports

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

Tenth plenary meeting

Assembly Hall – 09:00

- Item 8 (continued) Reports of the main committees**
- Item 9 Closure of the Health Assembly**

2. Report of meetings

Ninth plenary meeting

In the chair: Professor Veronica Skvortsova (Russian Federation)
President of the Seventieth World Health Assembly

Item 6

Executive Board: election (document A70/70)

The Health Assembly accepted the list of 12 Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board as drawn up by the General Committee in accordance with Rule 100 of the Rules of Procedure. The following were therefore declared elected:

Benin	Japan
Brazil	Sri Lanka
Georgia	Swaziland
Iraq	United Republic of Tanzania
Italy	Zambia

Draft third report of Committee A

The President (Russian Federation) read out the third draft report of Committee A, document (draft) A70/72 containing two decisions entitled:

- *Poliomyelitis: polio transition planning*
- *Review of the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Framework*

and one resolution entitled:

- *Human resources for health and implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations' High-Level Commission on Health Employment and Economic Growth*

The third draft report of Committee A was approved.

Draft fourth report of Committee A

The President (Russian Federation) read out the fourth draft report of Committee A, document (draft) A70/73 containing one resolution entitled:

- *Improving the prevention, diagnosis and clinical management of sepsis*

and one decision entitled:

- *Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)*

The fourth draft report of Committee A was approved.

Draft first report of Committee B

The President (Russian Federation) read out the first draft report of Committee B, document (draft) A70/71 containing three decisions entitled:

- *Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan*
- *WHO mid-term programmatic and financial report for 2016–2017, including audited financial statements for 2016*
- *Report of the External Auditor*

and two resolutions entitled:

- *Status of collection of assessed contributions, including Member States in arrears in the payment of their contributions to an extent that would justify invoking Article 7 of the Constitution*
- *Scale of assessments for 2018–2019*

The first draft report of Committee B was approved.

The meeting was adjourned.

Tenth meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Dr Hanan Mohamed Al-Kuwari (Qatar)

Later: Mr Anandrao Hurree (Mauritius)

Item 14 Communicable diseases

Item 14.2 Global vector control response

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to note the report contained in document A70/26 Rev.1 and the draft resolution contained in document A70/26 Rev.1 Add.1. The Committee agreed to an informal consultation on the subitem. Discussion of the subitem will resume at a subsequent meeting of Committee A.

Item 13 (continued) Health systems

Item 13.6 (continued) Member State mechanism on substandard/spurious/false-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products

The Chairman resumed discussion of the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/23 and the draft decision EB140(6) *Member State mechanism on substandard/spurious/false-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products* contained in document EB140/2017/REC/1. The Secretariat responded to issues raised. The Committee noted the report and approved the draft decision. The subitem was closed.

Item 14 (continued) Communicable diseases

Item 14.1 Global vaccine action plan

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/25 and the draft resolution contained in document A70/A/CONF./1. The Chairman invited the Committee to consider the recommendations for actions to be taken by the various stakeholders of the global vaccine action plan. The Committee decided to continue discussion of this subitem at its next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Fifth meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Dr Molwyn Joseph (Antigua and Barbuda)

Draft second report of Committee B

The Chairman invited the Rapporteur Dr Nguyen Manh Cuong (Viet Nam) to read out the second draft report of Committee B, document (draft) A70/74 containing one resolution entitled:

– *Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General*

and two decisions entitled:

– *Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee*

– *Infrastructure Fund*

The second draft report of Committee B was adopted.

Item 23 (continued) Management, legal and governance matters

Item 23.2 (continued) Governance reform: follow-up to decision WHA69(8) (2016)

The Chairman reopened the subitem. It was agreed to recommend to the Seventieth World Health Assembly that its current agenda item 23.2 *Governance reform: follow-up to decision WHA69(8) (2016)* be included on the agenda of the Executive Board at its 142nd session in January 2018 in order to permit, inter alia, further consideration of the two options contained in document A70/51 under the heading “Explanatory memorandum for items proposed under Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly”.

Item 15 (continued) **Noncommunicable diseases** (*transferred from Committee A*)

Item 15.1 (continued) Preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases, to be held in 2018

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. It was announced that discussion of the subitem would resume at a subsequent meeting of Committee B pending the outcome of an informal consultation on document A70/B/CONF./2.

Item 15.2 Draft global action plan on the public health response to dementia

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. It was announced that discussion of the subitem would resume at the next meeting of Committee B.

The meeting was adjourned.

Eleventh meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Mr Philip Davies (Fiji)

Later: Mr Anandrao Hurree (Mauritius)

Item 14 (continued) **Communicable diseases**

Item 14.1 (continued) Global vaccine action plan

The Chairman resumed discussion of the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/25 and the draft resolution Strengthening immunization to achieve the goals of the global vaccine action plan contained in document A70/A/CONF./1. The Secretariat responded to issues raised. The Committee noted the report. The Secretariat read amendments to the draft resolution which was then approved by the Committee. The subitem was closed.

Item 13 (continued) **Health systems**

Item 13.7 Promoting the health of refugees and migrants

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited co-Chair of the informal consultation to report back on the findings of the informal consultation. The Chairman invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/24 and the draft resolution Promoting the health of refugees and migrants contained in A70/A/CONF./7 Rev.1. The Secretariat responded to issues raised. The Committee noted the report and the draft resolution was approved. The subitem was closed.

Item 16 **Promoting health through the life course**

Item 16.1 Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/35 and the draft decision Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development contained in document A70/A/CONF./2. The subitem was suspended until the twelfth meeting of Committee A.

The meeting was adjourned.

Sixth meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Dr Molwyn Joseph (Antigua and Barbuda)

Later: Dr Mario Miklosi (Slovakia)

Item 15 (continued) **Noncommunicable diseases** (*transferred from Committee A*)

Item 15.2 (continued) Draft global action plan on the public health response to dementia

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the Committee approved the decision EB140(7) contained in document EB140/2017/REC/1 submitted by the Executive Board.

Item 15.3 Public health dimension of the world drug problem

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to questions raised. The Committee noted the report contained in document A70/29 and approved the draft decision contained in document A70/A/CONF./6.

Item 15.4 Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. It was announced that discussion of the subitem would resume at the next meeting of Committee B.

The meeting was adjourned.

3. Other meetings

The Secretariat has been advised that the following meetings will take place during the Seventieth World Health Assembly.

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

07:45–08:45 Room VII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the Americas Region (AMRO/GRUA).
08:00–08:45 Room IV	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
08:00–08:50 Concordia 4	Nordic Group Meeting.
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
08:15–08:45 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region.
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
18:00–19:30 Room IX	Embodying the future: How to improve the nutrition status of adolescents”. Organized by the delegations of the Netherlands and Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition.
18:00–19:30 Room XXIV	Commemoration of World No Tobacco Day 2017 — a threat to development. Organized by the delegations of Australia, Bhutan, Estonia, Georgia, India, Morocco, Panama, Senegal and Uganda.

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

07:45–08:45 Room XI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the Americas Region (AMRO/GRUA).
08:00–08:45 Room IV	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region.
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