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Programme of meetings for Tuesday, 21 May 2019

Time	Plenary <i>Assembly Hall</i>	Committee A <i>Room XVIII</i>	Others
09:00	Third plenary meeting	Second meeting	
14:00			Committee on Credentials <i>Room VII</i>
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Paperless governing body meetings

As agreed by EB143 in May 2018, governing body meetings will be paperless unless documents have been ordered in advance. To promote the use of digital documents, one tablet will be made available to each delegation. They can be collected during the WHA at the UNOG document distribution counter as from 20 May at 8:00. The tablet must be returned to the document counter by the end of the EB session on 30 May 2019.

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Informal consultation

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Proposed draft resolution on: Improving the transparency of markets for medicines, vaccines, and other health-related products and other technologies.

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1. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

Tuesday, 21 May 2019

Third plenary meeting **Assembly Hall – 09:00**

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Second meeting of Committee A **Room XVIII – 09:00**

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- Report of the Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
Document A72/6
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If time permits:

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Committee on Credentials **Room VII – 14:00**

Fourth plenary meeting **Assembly Hall – 14:30**

Item 3 (continued) – General discussion

Third meeting of Committee A **Room XVIII – 14:30**

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Item 11.1 – Proposed programme budget 2020–2021

Documents A72/4, A72/5, A72/63, A72/INF./2 and A72/INF./3

If time permits:

- Item 11.5 – Universal health coverage
- Primary health care towards universal health coverage
Documents A72/12 and EB144/2019/REC/1, resolution EB144.R9
 - Community health workers delivering primary health care: opportunities and challenges
Documents A72/13 and EB144/2019/REC/1, resolution EB144.R4
 - Preparation for the high-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on universal health coverage
Documents A72/14 and EB144/2019/REC/1, resolution EB144.R10

Wednesday, 22 May 2019

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- Eradication
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 - Transition
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- Including election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur

Item 14 Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan

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Item 15 Financial matters

- Item 15.1 – Overview of financial situation: Programme budget 2018–2019
Documents A72/34 and A72/62
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Thursday, 23 May 2019

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Documents A72/19 and EB144/2019/REC/1, decision EB144(1)
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Documents A72/26 and EB144/2019/REC/1, resolution EB144.R12
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Documents A72/48, A72/49, A72/50, A72/51, A72/52, A72/64, A72/INF./4 and EB143/2018/REC/1, decisions EB143(7), and EB144/2019/REC/1, decisions EB144(3) and EB144(4)

- Item 18.2 – Multilingualism
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Saturday, 25 May 2019

Tenth meeting of Committee A

Room XVIII – 09:00

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- Item 12.6 – Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks
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Seventh meeting of Committee B

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Item 21 **Matters for information**

- Item 21.1 – Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control
Document A72/57

Monday, 27 May 2019

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Room XVIII – 09:00 and 14:30

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- Item 12.9 – Emergency and trauma care
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- Item 21.2 – Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition
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- Item 21.3 – Progress reports
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- A. Global technical strategy and targets for malaria 2016–2030 (resolution WHA68.2 (2015))
 - B. Addressing the burden of mycetoma (resolution WHA69.21 (2016))
 - C. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16 (2011))
 - D. Sustaining the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (resolution WHA60.21 (2007))
 - E. Prevention of deafness and hearing loss (resolution WHA70.13 (2017))
 - F. Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (resolution WHA60.25 (2007))
 - G. The role of the health sector in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management towards the 2020 goal and beyond (decision WHA70(23) (2017))
 - H. Regulatory system strengthening for medical products (resolution WHA67.20 (2014))
 - I. Progress in the rational use of medicines (resolution WHA60.16 (2007))
 - J. Traditional medicine (resolution WHA67.18 (2014))

Tuesday, 28 May 2019**Thirteenth meeting of Committee A****Room XVIII – 09:00****Finalization of resolutions and reports****Tenth meeting of Committee B****Room XVII – 09:00****Finalization of resolutions and reports****Seventh plenary meeting****Assembly Hall – Immediately following the closure of Committees A and B****Item 8 (continued) Reports of the main committees****Item 9 Closure of the Health Assembly**

2. Report of meetings

First plenary meeting

In the chair: Dr Francisco Duque III (Philippines)
First Vice-President of the Seventy-first World Health Assembly

Item 1 **Opening of the Health Assembly**

Dr Francisco Duque III opened the Seventy-second World Health Assembly and welcomed, on behalf of the Health Assembly and the World Health Organization, the special guests, Mrs Corinne Momal-Vanian, Officer in Charge of the United Nations Office in Geneva, H.E. Mr Alain Berset, Federal Councillor, Head of the Federal Department of Home Affairs of the Swiss Confederation, and officials of the Republic, Canton, City and University of Geneva, and of agencies of the UN system, as well as representatives of the Executive Board.

The President gave the floor to Mrs Corinne Momal-Vanian, Officer in Charge of the United Nations Office in Geneva, followed by H.E. Mr Alain Berset, Federal Councillor, Head of the Federal Department of Home Affairs of the Swiss Confederation.

Item 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials

On proposal of the President, and in accordance with Rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly, the Assembly appointed the Committee on Credentials constituted by the delegates of the following 12 Member States:

Bahrain	Marshall Islands
Cambodia	Montenegro
Dominican Republic	Poland
Eritrea	Seychelles
Indonesia	Slovakia
Liberia	Suriname

Item 1.2 Election of the President of the Seventy-second World Health Assembly

In accordance with Rule 24 of the Rules of Procedure, the President invited the Health Assembly to consider the list of names of delegates proposed for the nominations of President and five Vice-Presidents of the Seventy-second World Health Assembly.

In accordance with Rule 78 of the Rules of Procedure, the Health Assembly approved the nomination of Dr Bounkong Syhavong (Lao People's Democratic Republic) and elected him as President of the Seventy-second World Health Assembly by acclamation. Dr Syhavong took the chair.

Item 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee

The President invited the Health Assembly to consider the proposals received for the nomination for the offices of Vice-Presidents.

H.E. Ms Socorro Flores Liera (Mexico)
Mr Abdoulaye Diouf Sarr (Senegal)
Dr Hussein Abdul Rahman Al Rand (United Arab Emirates)
Dr Alisher Shadmanov (Uzbekistan)
Mrs Dechen Wangmo (Bhutan)

were elected Vice-Presidents of the Health Assembly by acclamation.¹

¹ The names of the five Vice-Presidents are shown in the order in which they were drawn by lot.

Committee A: Dr Silvia Paula Valentim Lutucuta (Angola) was elected chairman by acclamation.

Committee B: Mr Herbert Barnard (Netherlands) was elected chairman by acclamation.

In accordance with Rule 29 of the Rules of Procedure, the delegates of the following 17 countries were elected members of the General Committee, along with the President and the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly, and the Chairmen of the main committees:

Bahamas	Myanmar
China	Niger
Congo	Romania
Cuba	Russian Federation
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Somalia
Djibouti	South Africa
France	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Honduras	United States of America
Mongolia	

Second plenary meeting

In the chair: Dr Bounkong Syhavong (Lao People's Democratic Republic)
President of the Seventy-second World Health Assembly

The President of the Seventy-second World Health Assembly opened the second plenary and addressed the Health Assembly.

Item 1 (continued) Opening of the Health Assembly

Item 1.4 – Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees

The President reported that the General Committee recommended to not include a supplementary agenda item entitled “Inviting Taiwan to participate in the World Health Assembly as an observer”.

The President informed the Assembly that when previous Health Assemblies had considered a similar proposal, the Assembly had agreed to follow a predictable, respectful and orderly process for handling the matter. To facilitate this work, the President proposed that the Assembly follow the same process. The Assembly agreed with this proposal.

Two delegations in support of the recommendation of the General Committee and two delegations in opposition to the recommendation of the General Committee were invited to take the floor. The delegates of China, Marshall Islands, Pakistan, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines took the floor.

The Assembly accepted the recommendation of the General Committee not to include a supplementary agenda item entitled “Inviting Taiwan to participate in the World Health Assembly as an observer” on the agenda.

The President reported that the General Committee also recommended the following changes to the provisional agenda (document A72/1):

- To delete the following items:
 - Item 4 Invited speakers
 - Item 5 Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
 - Item 15.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
 - Item 15.7 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
 - Item 18.3 Agreements with intergovernmental organizations [if any]

The recommendation of the General Committee was approved and the provisional agenda in accordance with the General Committee's recommendation was adopted as amended.

These changes will be reflected in document A72/1 Rev.1.

The President proposed that the afternoon Plenary meeting continue until 18:30 to allow the maximum number of speakers. This proposal was accepted by the Plenary.

Item 2 Report of the Executive Board on its 143rd and 144th sessions

The Chairman of the Executive Board, H.E. Maria Farani Azevêdo (Brazil), gave the report.

Item 3 Address by Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General

The Director-General presented his report on the work of WHO.

General discussion

The President resumed consideration of item 3 with special attention to the theme "Universal health coverage: leaving no one behind". The President invited the first two speakers to the rostrum: the delegate of Romania (who spoke on behalf of the European Union) and the delegate of Senegal (who spoke on behalf of the Member States of the African Region). These speakers were followed by the delegates of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran (who spoke on behalf of the Member States of the Eastern Mediterranean Region), India (who spoke on behalf of the Member States of the South-East Asia Region), France, Germany, Kyrgyzstan, the United States of America, the Russian Federation, Egypt (who spoke on behalf of the Arab Health Ministers' Council), Italy, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Argentina, Nigeria, Sweden, Republic of Korea, Nepal, Cuba, Republic of Moldova, Thailand, Kazakhstan, Peru, Indonesia and Turkey. In accordance with Rule 57 of the Rules of Procedure, the delegation of China exercised the right of reply.

The meeting was adjourned.

First meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Dr Silvia Paula Valentim Lutucuta (Angola)

Item 10 Opening of the Committee

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed delegates and observers. In accordance with Rule 34 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the Committee elected Dr Yasuhiro Suzuki (Japan) and Dr Mohammad Assai Ardakani (Islamic Republic of Iran) Vice-Chairmen, and Ms Laura Bordón (Paraguay) Rapporteur.

One delegation took the floor to request that the European Union be invited to attend and participate without vote in the deliberations of the meetings, sub-committees, drafting groups or other subdivisions thereof, and addressing matters falling within the European Union competence in the Seventy-second World Health Assembly.

Item 11 Strategic priority matters

Item 11.4 Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The Chairman opened the agenda subitem and drew the Committee's attention to the relevant document A72/11 Rev.1. Comments were invited from the floor. It was announced that discussion of the subitem would resume at the next meeting of Committee A. The meeting was adjourned.

3. Technical briefings

The following technical briefings will take place during the Seventy-second World Health Assembly.

Tuesday, 21 May 2019

08:00–09:00 Emerging technologies.
Room XII

12:30–14:15 Universal health coverage.
Room XII

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12:30–14:15 Mental health: time to scale-up.
Room XII

Thursday, 23 May 2019

12:30–14:15 Investing in jobs.
Room XII

12:30–14:15 From commitment to action: parliaments moving the universal health coverage
Room XVI agenda forward. Organized by the WHO Secretariat in collaboration with the Inter-
Parliamentary Union.

Friday, 24 May 2019

12:30–14:15 Green, sustainable climate-resilient health care facilities.
Room XII

12:30–14:15 Promoting local production of medicines and other health technologies: official
Room XXIII launch of the interagency statement.

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12:30–14:15 Towards healthier populations: a new vision.
Room XII

4. Side events

The following side events are scheduled to take place during the Seventy-second World Health Assembly.

Tuesday, 21 May 2019

12:30–14:00 Room XXIII	Promoting vaccine confidence: enhancing global immunization efforts to protect the Health of All generations. Organized by the delegations of Angola, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Denmark, Eswatini, Ireland, France, Mozambique, Pakistan, Romania, Spain, Ukraine, the United States of America and the European Union.
12:30–14:00 Room XXIV	Patient safety and quality of care in the face of emergencies and extreme adversity – a prerequisite to achieve universal health coverage. Organized by the delegations of Afghanistan, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Ghana, Iraq, Kuwait, Republic of Moldova, Oman, Qatar, Rwanda, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
18:00–18:50 Room IX	Action and accountability on universal health coverage: building momentum towards the UN High-level meeting. Organized by Action contre la Faim, Global Health Council and the Save the Children Fund.
18:00–19:30 Room VII	Universal health coverage and migration: leaving no one behind. Organized by the delegations of Colombia, Ecuador, Luxembourg, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Sudan and Turkey.
18:00–19:30 Room XXIII	Nutrition4Health: nutrition innovations along with noncommunicable diseases prevention for achieving universal health coverage within the context of the 2030 Agenda and the UN Nutrition Decade. Organized by the delegations of Albania, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cyprus, Egypt, France, Greece, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lebanon, Malawi, Montenegro, the Philippines, Tunisia, Uganda, Zimbabwe, International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B), the Scaling Up Nutrition(SUN) Movement and the World Bank.
18:00–19:30 Room XXIV	Partnerships for health systems strengthening – prepared for emergencies. Organized by the delegations of Afghanistan, Colombia, Islamic Republic of Iran, and Switzerland.
19:00–19:50 Room IX	Palliative care and universal health coverage: a component of primary health care. Organized by the delegation of Malaysia and International Association for Hospice and Palliative Care, International Association for the Study of Pain, International Council of Nurses, Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) International, Union for International Cancer Control, World Federation of Societies of Anesthesiologists and Worldwide Hospice and Palliative Care Alliance.

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- 12:30–14:00
Room VII Universal health coverage: good governance, multi-sectoral actions for UHC–partnership and paradoxes. Organized by the delegations of France, Georgia, Germany, Japan, Kenya, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Luxembourg, Spain, Switzerland and Thailand.
- 12:30–14:00
Room XXIV Epilepsy: a public health priority. Organized by the delegations of Colombia, Croatia, Guyana, Kazakhstan, Mexico, the Russian Federation, Slovenia, Tunisia, Zambia, International Bureau for Epilepsy, International League Against Epilepsy and World Federation of Neurology.
- 18:00–18:50
Room IX Achieving women's and girls' health and human rights: putting gender equality at the center of universal health coverage. Organized by International Planned Parenthood Federation, International Women's Health Coalition and Women Deliver.
- 18:00–19:30
Room VII Malaria: stepping up the fight to reach public health objectives for 2030. Organized by the delegations of Argentina, Benin, Colombia, Djibouti, France, Gabon, India, Latvia, Madagascar, Mali, Monaco, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal and Viet Nam.
- 18:00–19:30
Room VIII First do no harm: why water, sanitation and hygiene must be a priority for quality healthcare, protecting patient safety and tackling antimicrobial resistance. Organized by the delegations of Eswatini, Germany, Japan, Sweden, Switzerland, Tanzania and Zambia.
- 19:00–19:30
Room IX Health promotion through the life course: a call to action to leave no one behind. Organized by International Federation on Ageing and International Organization of Good Templars (IOGT).

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- 12:30–14:00
Room VII Effective implementation of home-based records to improve maternal, newborn and child health towards achievement of universal health coverage: leaving no one behind. Organized by the delegations of Afghanistan, France, Indonesia, Kenya, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Myanmar, the Netherlands, the Philippines and Zimbabwe.
- 12:30–14:00
Room XXIII How transformational digital technologies can contribute to leave no one behind in universal health coverage: the case of rare diseases. Organized by the delegations of Argentina, Colombia, Cyprus, France, Georgia, Hungary, Kuwait, Malta, Romania, Sweden and the European Union.
- 18:00–18:50
Room IX Leaving no one behind? Tracking “Health for All” from rhetoric to reality. Organized by Childhood Cancer International, International Association for Hospice and Palliative Care, International Union Against TB and Lung Disease (The Union), Medicines Patent Pool, RAD-AID International, Union for International Cancer Control, World Cancer Research Fund International, World Obesity Federation, World Stroke Organization and Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance.
- 18:00–19:30
Room VII Air pollution, climate change, oceans and health. Organized by the delegations of Chile, Fiji, Maldives, Monaco, Norway and Switzerland.
- 18:00–19:30
Room XII Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured. Organized by the delegations of Eswatini, Ethiopia, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia and South Africa.
- 19:00–19:50
Room IX Boosting community-led responses to reaching the most marginalized communities: from local communities, to primary health care to universal health coverage. Organized by Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNP+) and Medicus Mundi International.

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12:30–14:00 Room VII	Towards the sixth replenishment: scaling up the fight against HIV/AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis. Organized by the delegations of Eswatini, France and Zimbabwe.
12:30–14:00 Room VIII	Let's get real: adolescents' sexual and reproductive health and rights and well-being. Organized by the delegations of Mozambique, Portugal, Slovenia and Uruguay.
18:00–18:50 Room IX	WHO-civil society collaboration to drive progress on climate change and health. Organized by Alliance for Health Promotion.
18:00–19:30 Room VII	Disease prevention: the role of primary healthcare in achieving sustainable, universal health coverage. Organized by the delegations of Bahrain, Estonia, Oman, Pakistan and Turkey.
19:00–19:50 Room IX	Cross-sectoral collaboration and leadership in the energy-health nexus. Organized by United Nations Foundation

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18:00–18:50 Room IX	Building resilience and strengthening global health security in crisis-affected settings through investing in community health workers. Organized by Amref Health Africa and International Rescue Committee.
19:00–19:50 Room IX	Nuclear weapons today: an update of the humanitarian consequences of nuclear war and the medical role in preventing it. Organized by International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, World Federation of Public Health Associations and World Medical Association.

5. Other meetings

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

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07:45–08:45 Room VII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the Americas Region (AMRO/GRUA).
08:00–08:50 Concordia 4	Nordic Group meeting.
08:00–08:50 Room IV	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
08:00–08:50 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region.
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
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08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
12:15–14:15 Room XVI	Twelfth meeting of the Ministers of Health of the Non-aligned Movement (NAM).
12:30–14:00 Concordia 1	Pacific Health Ministers Meeting.
18:00–20:00 Room IV	Regional coordination meeting of the Member States of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM).
19:00–20:00 Delegates' Restaurant 8th Floor	President's reception.

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12:30–14:00 Concordia 1	Meeting of the Pacific Health Ministers and Caribbean Health Ministers.
12:45–14:15 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region.

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6. Arrangements for conduct of discussion in meetings

Plenary. Theme of general discussion: “Universal health coverage: leaving no one behind”

Resolution WHA52.21 on reform of the Health Assembly requested the Director-General to make appropriate arrangements for a shortened plenary meeting and, to this end, encouraged group or regional statements in plenary debate. Delegates are requested to limit their statements to **five minutes** (550 words) in this debate. Group or regional statements may last up to 10 minutes.

Delegates wishing to have their name placed on the list of speakers for the general discussion should notify the Department for Governing Bodies and External Relations by email (riggi@who.int) or fax +41 (0)22 791 4173.

Copies of statements to be made in the general discussion should be submitted by email (interpret@who.int) or to the Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of the Health Assembly (Room A.656). When submitting by email, please specify in the “Subject” and at the top of the statement, the name of the country and the meeting: “General discussion”.

Delegates wishing to have their statements posted on the Health Assembly website <http://apps.who.int/gb/statements/WHA72/> may send it to statements@who.int and include in the subject line of the email the agenda item to which the statement relates. Additional information provided in this manner will not be included in the official record of the meeting.

Other meetings

Interpretation is provided in the official languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) to help delegates follow the discussions. Delegates are requested to send a copy of statements they plan to make to interpret@who.int or to give a paper copy to the conference officers in the room at least 30 minutes before delivery. This does not prevent delegates from making changes on delivery but will facilitate clarity and accuracy in all languages. Under ‘Subject’ and at the top of the statement please state the name of the country/group, the meeting (e.g. Plenary, Committee A, Committee B, Executive Board) and the relevant agenda item number.

Individual statements in Committees A and B are limited to two minutes (220 words) and group statements to five minutes (550 words). Delegates are requested to deliver statements at a normal speaking pace. Rapid delivery risks impeding clarity and accuracy in interpretation. Statements provided in advance are treated as confidential and checked against delivery for the purpose of the official record.

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Non-State actors statements at the Health Assembly

Non-State actors in official relations with WHO may request to speak in Committee A or B of the Health Assembly under a technical item in which they have a particular expertise. Non-State actors wishing to have their name placed on the list of speakers should notify the Secretariat of Partnerships and non-State actors Department (PNA) by email (nsastatements@who.int) latest by 08:00 am of the day of the meeting in question. Non-State actors may submit their statements in advance for the Secretariat to post on a dedicated website and are invited to register at <https://extranet.who.int/nonstateactorsstatements/>. Statements should be limited to 1.5 minutes (200 words).

7. Provisional list of speakers for the general discussion in plenary

Plurinational State of Bolivia

Latvia

Mali

Côte d'Ivoire

Morocco

Spain

Sri Lanka

Brazil

(The delegate of Brazil will speak on behalf of the BRICS group)

Slovenia

Bangladesh

Colombia

Portugal

Ecuador

Greece

Czechia

Kenya

Lithuania

Japan

Mexico

Paraguay

Statement on behalf of the Member States of the Region of the Americas

North Macedonia

Gabon

Ukraine

Costa Rica

Denmark

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Norway

Senegal

Monaco

Finland

Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (The delegate of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela will speak on behalf of the Non-aligned Movement (NAM))

Singapore

South Africa

Viet Nam

Chile

Poland

Algeria

Angola

Tunisia

Belarus

Congo

Uruguay

Zambia

Malaysia

Armenia

Philippines

Botswana

Canada

Brunei Darussalam

Jordan

Honduras

Australia
 Lebanon
 Mauritania
 Cambodia
 Maldives
 Luxembourg
 New Zealand
 Pakistan
 Uganda
 Iceland
 San Marino
 Marshall Islands (The delegate of the Marshall Islands will speak on behalf of the Pacific Island countries)
 Togo
 Mongolia
 Mauritius
 Trinidad and Tobago (The delegate of Trinidad and Tobago will speak on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM))
 Mozambique
 United Republic of Tanzania
 Namibia
 Israel
 Zimbabwe
 Yemen
 Democratic People's Republic of Korea
 Fiji (The delegate of Fiji will speak on behalf of the Commonwealth Health Ministers)
 Rwanda
 Kiribati
 Eswatini
 Malta
 Palau
 Georgia
 Guyana
 Seychelles
 Turkmenistan
 Ghana
 Papua New Guinea
 Comoros
 Saint Kitts and Nevis
 Djibouti
 Bahrain
 Equatorial Guinea
 Syrian Arab Republic
 Guatemala
 Myanmar
 Jamaica
 Saint Lucia
 Ethiopia
 Azerbaijan
 Sao Tome and Principe
 Lao People's Democratic Republic
 Cabo Verde (The delegate of Cabo Verde will speak on behalf of the Community of Portuguese Language Countries/Lusophone Commonwealth (CPLP))
 Bulgaria
 Solomon Islands

Panama
Bhutan
Barbados
Timor-Leste
Lesotho
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Cook Islands
Nauru
Belize
Benin
Madagascar
Haiti
Guinea-Bissau
Albania

Palestine
African Union
Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)
The Order of Malta

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8. Announcements

Facilities

A business centre for delegates to the Health Assembly is available in Room A.821 for word processing and photocopying needs.

Open access to wireless connection is available in all important common areas in the Palais des Nations.

- World Health Organization web site: <http://www.who.int>
- World Health Assembly and Executive Board documentation: <http://apps.who.int/gb>

WHO information products and souvenirs on sale

The WHO bookshop is located at the Palais des Nations in the new hall “Concordia” between doors 13 and 15. The latest publications and information products issued by WHO and its regional offices are available at a 50% discount. WHO souvenirs are also on display. The bookshop is open Monday to Friday from 09:00 to 16:30 at the Palais des Nations and from 09:00 to 16:30 at WHO headquarters.

Personal mail

Delegates and representatives of nongovernmental organizations in official relations with WHO are kindly requested to collect **every day** their personal mail, messages, invitations at the enquiry desk.

Medical service

Delegates who require medical attention can call +41 (0)22 791 3040.

WHA App

The World Health Assembly application allows you to receive updates on the WHA72 programme of work and access documentation directly on your mobile device. Search “Governing Bodies” in the store or scan the QR code below and download the application in your device. The ID and password to use the application can be obtained next to the WHA registration booth, starting on 18 May.



Video streaming

The Plenary, Committee A and Committee B sessions will be webcast in the six UN languages. The webcasts can be viewed on Mac and PCs, as well as all mobile devices including iPhone, iPad, Android and Windows-enabled phones.

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