Seventy-second World Health Assembly

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Programme of meetings for Tuesday, 28 May 2019

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Badges for Members of the Board, their alternates and advisers, and representatives of Member States and organizations invited to attend, will be issued at:
- the Palais, distribution desk in front of the documentation desk in the Concordia area between Doors 13 and 15
  Tuesday, 28 May: 08:00 until the closure of plenary but not later than 18:00
- WHO headquarters main lobby
  Wednesday, 29 May: 07:30 – 17:30
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1. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

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and four 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 |
| – Special arrangements for settlement of arrears: Central African Republic |
| – Appointment of the External Auditor |
| – Scale of assessments for 2020–2021 |

Draft third report of Committee A

Document (Draft) A72/74 containing two decisions entitled:

| – WHO global strategy on health, environment and climate change: the transformation needed to improve lives and well-being sustainably through healthy environments |
| – Plan of action on climate change and health in small island developing States |

and one resolution entitled:

| – Antimicrobial resistance |
Draft third report of Committee B

Document (Draft) A72/75 containing four decisions entitled:

– Human resources: annual report
– Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee
– 2020: International Year of the Nurse and the Midwife
– World Chagas Disease Day

and three decisions entitled:

– WHO reform: amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly

and two resolutions entitled:

– Salaries of staff in ungraded positions and of the Director-General
– Special arrangements for settlement of arrears: Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Draft fourth report of Committee A

Document (Draft) A72/76 containing two decisions entitled:

– Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases
– Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Framework for the sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

Draft fourth report of Committee B

Document (Draft) A72/77 containing two resolutions entitled:

– Eleventh revision of the International Classification of Diseases
– Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured

Draft fifth report of Committee A

Document (Draft) A72/78 containing two resolutions entitled:

– Global action on patient safety
– Water, sanitation and hygiene in health care facilities

Draft sixth report of Committee A

Document (Draft) A72/79 containing two decisions entitled:

– The public health implications of the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol
– Promoting the health of refugees and migrants

Item 9 Closure of the Health Assembly
### 2. Report of meetings

#### Eleventh meeting of Committee A

**Chairman:** Dr Silvia Paula Valentim Lutucuta (Angola)  
**Later:** Dr Yasuhiro Suzuki (Japan) Vice-Chairman

#### Draft fifth report of Committee A

The Chair called upon the Rapporteur (Ms Laura Bordón [Paraguay]) to read out the fifth draft report of Committee A, document (draft) A72/78 containing two resolutions entitled:

- *Global action on patient safety*
- *Water, sanitation and hygiene in health care facilities*

The resolutions were approved and the draft report was adopted.

#### Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters

**Item 12.10 (continued) The public health implications of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol**

The Chair reopened the agenda subitem and invited the Committee to note the report contained in document A72/32.

The Chair notified the Committee that a revised text of the draft decision *The public health implications of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol*, taking into account the results from informal discussions, had been circulated. At the invitation of the Chair, the Secretariat read out the text of the informal white paper, indicating the proposed amendments. The draft decision was approved as amended.

**Item 12.4 (continued) Promoting the health of refugees and migrants**

The subitem was reopened and the Chair drew the Committee’s attention to the document A72/25 Rev.1. Delegations who had requested to speak at the previous session of the Committee were invited to take the floor.

At the request of the Chair, the Office of the Legal Counsel read out the proposed amendment received from one delegation and explained the implications of this amendment. The Secretariat responded to issues raised.

The Chair invited the Committee to note the report and requested the Secretariat to read out the proposed amendments to the draft decision. Further comments were invited from the floor and, in the absence of a consensus, the Chair announced that discussion of the agenda subitem would be suspended, pending the outcome of informal discussions.

#### Item 11 (continued) Strategic priority matters

**Item 11.7 (continued) Access to medicines and vaccines**

The subitem was reopened and the Committee was asked to consider the draft road map for access to medicines, vaccines and other health products, 2019–2023 as contained in the annex of document A72/17. Comments were invited from the floor. Discussion of the agenda subitem was suspended.

#### Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters

**Item 12.4 (continued) Promoting the health of refugees and migrants**

The Chair reopened this subitem and requested the Secretariat to read out the proposed amendments to the draft decision, which was approved as amended. The meeting was adjourned.
Seventh meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Mr Herbert Barnard (Netherlands)

Draft fourth report of Committee B

The Chairman called upon the Rapporteur (Dr Ahmad Jan Naeem [Afghanistan]) to read out the fourth draft report of Committee B, document (draft) A72/77 containing two resolutions entitled:

- Eleventh revision of the International Classification of Diseases
- Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured

The resolutions were approved and the draft report was adopted.

Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters [Item transferred from Committee A]

Item 12.6 Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to issues raised and the Committee noted the report contained in document A72/28.

Item 21 (continued) Matters for information

Item 21.3 (continued) Progress reports

The Chairman reopened the subitem with point F and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to issues raised and the subitem was closed.

Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters [Item transferred from Committee A]

Item 12.3 Human resources for health

The Chairman opened the subitem and announced that the reports contained in documents A72/23 WHO Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel: third round of national reporting and A72/24 Global strategy on human resources for health: workforce 2030 would be considered together. Comments were invited from the floor. The Chairman announced that consideration of this subitem will resume at the next meeting of Committee B.

The meeting was adjourned.

Twelfth meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Dr Silvia Paula Valentim Lutucuta (Angola)

Item 11 (continued) Strategic priority matters

Item 11.7 (continued) Access to medicines and vaccines

The Chair reopened the agenda subitem and invited comments from the floor on the report contained in document A72/17. The Secretariat responded to issues raised and the Committee noted the report.

The subitem remained open pending the results of discussions from the informal working group on the draft resolution contained in document A72/A/CONF/2. Consideration of the subitem will resume at the next meeting of Committee A.

The meeting was adjourned.
Eighth meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Mr Herbert Barnard (Netherlands)

Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters [Item transferred from Committee A]

Item 12.3 (continued) Human resources for health

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to the issues raised and the Committee noted the reports contained in documents A72/23 and A72/24, including with respect to the points in paragraphs 28(a) and (b) of document A72/24.

The meeting was closed.

3. Other meeting

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

Tuesday, 28 May 2019

08:00–08:50 Nordic Group meeting.
Concordia 4
4. Arrangements for conduct of discussion in 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.

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5. Announcements

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- World Health Organization website: http://www.who.int
- World Health Assembly and Executive Board documentation: http://apps.who.int/gb

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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.

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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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