

## Safety and security of staff and premises and the Capital Master Plan

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#### Third report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board to the Sixty-third World Health Assembly

1. The twelfth meeting of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee was held in Geneva on 14 May 2010 under the chairmanship of Dr M. Dahl-Regis (Bahamas).<sup>1</sup>
2. The Secretariat presented the Director-General's report on the safety and security of staff and premises in which, as requested by the Executive Board, the urgent needs were separated from the recurrent expenditure.
3. The Committee discussed three principles:
  - (1) there should be no programme without security,
  - (2) appropriate security needs resources, and
  - (3) security phases should be defined by the requirements of programmes in order to stay in locations rather than the time when they should leave.
4. The Committee reaffirmed the need for adequate resources to ensure the safety and security of staff. The Committee was supportive of the proposed funding mechanisms outlined in the report both to meet the urgent needs and to ensure sustainable funding but noted, however, that voluntary contributions should also share in the full costs of security.
5. Recognizing the unpredictable nature of security issues, the Committee noted that from the US\$ 10 million requested, US\$ 7 million would be used to meet identified and urgent needs; the remaining US\$ 3 million would be held in reserve so as to be available for unexpected needs. A report on the implementation of the fund will be submitted to the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee at its next meeting in January 2011.

**The Committee, on behalf of the Executive Board, recommended that the World Health Assembly adopt the draft resolution contained in document A63/35.**

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<sup>1</sup> For list of participants, see document A63/49, Annex.