The Regional Committee,

Having reviewed the technical paper on the importance of vector-borne diseases as a re-emerging public health problem¹;

Recognizing that a shift to a genuine integrated vector management approach would offer countries opportunities to address the current problems in vector control;

Appreciating the need to develop national integrated vector management strategies and plans;

Convinced of the importance of strengthening of the national and regional capacities in entomology and vector control;

1. **REQUESTS** Member States to:

1.1 Establish or strengthen national units for integrated vector management and ensure adequate human and financial resources;

1.2 Establish a functional intersectoral mechanism for the collaboration and coordination of all related sectors;

1.3 Identify needs, gaps and opportunities for vector control and develop national integrated vector management strategies and plans for all vector-borne diseases;

¹ Document No. EM/RC52/3
2. **REQUESTS** the Regional Director to:

2.1 Take necessary steps to support integrated vector management activities and provide technical support as necessary including national capacity-building;

2.2 Consider the establishment of a regional diploma course in entomology funded by allocations from country regular budget and other resources;

2.3 Update the regional framework on integrated vector management and report regularly to the Regional Committee the progress on the implementation of integrated vector management.