

**PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN REGION FOR THE
FINANCIAL PERIOD 2000–2001**

The Regional Committee,

Having considered the proposed programme budget for the Eastern Mediterranean Region for the Financial Period 2000–2001¹;

Noting that the proposed programme budget conforms to the Ninth General Programme of Work and the Regional Programme Budget Policy and reflects national and regional priorities;

Taking into consideration the budgetary reduction caused by the use of the mathematical model adopted by the World Health Assembly in resolution WHA51.31;

1. **EXPRESSES** serious concern at the impact of implementing resolution WHA51.31, adopted by the Fifty-first World Health Assembly, on the Eastern Mediterranean Region programme for the biennium 2000–2001 and future biennia;
2. **REQUESTS** the Director-General to:
 - 2.1 Take action, through the use of extrabudgetary resources, transfers from WHO headquarters as mandated by resolution WHA48.26, and casual income, to reduce the impact of the application of the adopted model and thereby compensate for cuts from the regional regular budget;
 - 2.2 Ensure that the percentage reductions to the budget applied over each biennium are equal for all regions;
3. **INVITES** Member States of the Region to make voluntary contributions, to the extent of their respective capacities, to increase regional extrabudgetary resources;
4. **REQUESTS** the Regional Director to transmit the proposed programme budget for the Eastern Mediterranean Region, as contained in document EM/RC45/3, to the Director-General for inclusion in her proposed budget for the financial period 2000–2001.

¹ Document EM/RC45/3