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Control of tropical diseases

Malaria prevention and control

The Executive Board,

Having considered the report by the Director-General on the control of tropical diseases and in particular the review of the global malaria situation by the task force on malaria prevention and control,¹

1. THANKS the Director-General for the report and for establishing the task force and also thanks the task force for its work;
2. RECOMMENDS to the Fiftieth World Health Assembly the adoption of the following resolution:

The Fiftieth World Health Assembly,

Recalling resolution WHA49.11, which noted the concern of the Health Assembly regarding the seriousness of the global malaria situation, recognized that further delay in intensifying the struggle against malaria would cost millions more lives, urged Member States to take action, regional committees to ensure that programmes are vigorously pursued, and the Director-General to explore ways and means of intensifying the programme,

1. THANKS the Director-General for his prompt action in establishing a task force to conduct an external review of the malaria problem and progress being made towards control;
2. NOTES that the task force fully endorsed the WHO global malaria control strategy;
3. URGES Member States to renew their political commitment to malaria control, to accord the highest priority to the control of malaria mortality in Africa south of the Sahara and to guarantee core funding and sufficient, technically competent staff and other resources for national programmes;

¹ Document EB99/20.

4. URGES regional committees to fully support the global effort for malaria control by promoting increased political awareness and commitment and ensuring adequate resource allocations.

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