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WHO Framework Convention
on Tobacco Control**

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DECISION

**FCTC/COP5(13) Promoting South–South cooperation for implementation of the
WHO FCTC**

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision FCTC/COP4(19), which requested the Convention Secretariat to actively work in the areas of South–South and triangular cooperation for promoting implementation of the Convention, and to present a comprehensive report on this matter to the fifth session of the Conference of the Parties;

Welcoming the report of the Secretariat contained in document FCTC/COP/5/17, which identifies, inter alia, challenges and opportunities for cooperation among developing countries and development partners in different areas of the Convention;

Noting the emerging challenges relating to tobacco control in low- and lower-middle-income countries in particular, and at the same time potential opportunities for cooperation in implementation of the demonstration projects as identified in paragraph 24 of the report;

Further noting that developing countries will face an increasing burden of tobacco use in the short-, mid- and long-term, and that interventions that meet their specific needs are required in order to assist them in making progress in implementation of the Convention,

1. DECIDES to request the Parties to actively engage in promoting South–South and triangular cooperation for implementation of the Convention, including through demonstration projects as referred to in paragraph 2, in cooperation with relevant development partners, and further strengthen international cooperation aimed at addressing specific needs of the Parties, including in regional and subregional context;

2. DECIDES to request the Convention Secretariat:

(1) to continue to work in promoting South–South and triangular cooperation for implementation of the Convention, in cooperation with relevant organizations and bodies;

- (2) to implement demonstration projects as described in paragraph 24 of document FCTC/COP/5/17, and merging, as necessary, the proposed projects concerning tobacco packaging into one project on promotion of implementation of Articles 11 and 13 in relation to packaging and labelling of tobacco products; and
- (3) to further refine and develop the elements of a proposed action plan on South–South and triangular cooperation, based on experience gained in implementation of the demonstration projects, and submit the action plan together with an implementation report to the sixth session of the Conference of the Parties.

(Fourth plenary meeting, 17 November 2012)

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