

WHA22.50 Quality Control of Drugs

The Twenty-second World Health Assembly,

Recalling resolution WHA21.37;

Having considered the report of the Director-General on the quality control of drugs;

Noting with satisfaction the formulation of the “Principles of Pharmaceutical Quality Control”¹ and “Good Practices in the Manufacture and Quality Control of Drugs”² as presented in the report of the Director-General;

Recognizing that general observance of such principles and practices is essential and, in particular, a prerequisite for a system of certification for drugs in international commerce; and

Considering that general acceptance of such a certification system would be an important first step toward ensuring the desired level of quality control of drugs in international commerce,

1. RECOMMENDS that Member States adopt and apply
 - (1) the requirements for “Good Practices in the Manufacture and Quality Control of Drugs” as formulated in the report of the Director-General,²
 - (2) the certification scheme on the quality of pharmaceutical products moving in international commerce as formulated in the report of the Director-General as amended,³

2. REQUESTS the Director-General to report to the Twenty-third World Health Assembly
 - (1) on those improvements in the requirements for good manufacturing practice and in the certification scheme which may appear to be necessary; and
 - (2) on further progress with regard to the certification scheme and the implementation thereof.