

Report on financial and administrative implications for the Secretariat of resolutions proposed for adoption by the Executive Board or Health Assembly

1. Resolution Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

2. Linkage to programme budget

Strategic objective:

1. To reduce the health, social and economic burden of communicable diseases.

Organization-wide expected result:

6. Support provided to Member States in order to achieve the minimum core capacities required by the International Health Regulations (2005) for the establishment and strengthening of alert and response systems for use in epidemics and other public health emergencies of international concern.

(Briefly indicate the linkage with expected results, indicators, targets, baseline)

The resolution sets out the timing and arrangements for reporting to the Health Assembly on progress achieved with implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005). This reporting activity will include the indicators already defined in the Programme budget 2008–2009.

3. Financial implications

(a) Total estimated cost for implementation over the life-cycle of the resolution (estimated to the nearest US\$ 10 000, including staff and activities)

The projected cost for the compilation and production of the reports to the Health Assembly until 2012 (by which time all States Parties are to have established the minimum core capacities required by the Regulations) is US\$ 624 000. This figure is based on an estimate of the time needed by WHO's staff for this activity in regional offices and at headquarters.

(b) Estimated cost for the biennium 2008–2009 (estimated to the nearest US\$ 10 000 including staff and activities, and indicating at which levels of the Organization the costs will be incurred, identifying specific regions where relevant)

Based on the same estimations of staff time as in (a) above, the figure for the biennium 2008–2009 is US\$ 249 600.

(c) Of the estimated cost noted in (b), what can be subsumed under existing programmed activities for the biennium 2008–2009?

The production of reports to the Health Assembly is already included under programmed activities and in the budget for the biennium 2008–2009. The resolution does not propose new activities; rather, it clarifies the timing and arrangements for reporting.

- (d) For the amount that cannot be subsumed under existing programmed activities, how will the additional costs be financed? (indicate potential sources of funds)**

Not applicable.

4. Administrative implications

- (a) Implementation locales (indicate the levels of the Organization at which the work will be undertaken, identifying specific regions where relevant)**

All regional offices will contribute to the reports, which will be compiled and submitted by headquarters.

- (b) Additional staffing requirements (indicate additional required staff – full-time equivalents – by levels of the Organization, identifying specific regions where relevant)**

No additional staff are required beyond those planned for the biennium 2008–2009.

- (c) Time frames (indicate broad time frames for implementation)**

Reporting will continue in accordance with the wishes of the Health Assembly.

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