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General programme of work

The Fifty-fourth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the draft General programme of work, 2002-2005, submitted to it by the Executive Board, in accordance with Article 28(g) of the Constitution;

Mindful of the challenges of the rapidly evolving context of international health and the need for WHO to adapt accordingly;

Aware of the strategic directions and core functions set out in the corporate strategy developed by the Director-General and endorsed by the Executive Board, and of the close interrelationship between priority setting, programme planning and budgeting as products of this strategy;

Noting the greater coherence and closer linkage between the General programme of work, 2002-2005 and the Proposed programme budget 2002-2003;²

Welcoming the introduction of a process of programme planning supported by evaluation and prepared closer to the time of implementation as part of WHO's efforts to become a more efficient and productive organization,

APPROVES the General programme of work, 2002-2005.

Seventh plenary meeting, 18 May 2001 A54/VR/7

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¹ Document EB105/3.

² Document PPB/2002-2003.