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Article One

Establishment of the Foundation

A Foundation is established under the name of “The State of Kuwait Prize for the control of Cancer, Cardiovascular diseases and diabetes Foundation, in the Eastern Mediterranean Region”, within the framework of the World Health Organization, and which shall be governed by the following provisions.

Article Two

The Founder

The Foundation is established on the initiative of, and with funds provided by, the State of Kuwait (hereunder referred to as the Founder).

Article Three

Foundation Capital

The Founder endows the Foundation a capital amounting to US\$ 300, 000 (three hundred thousand United States Dollars). The capital of the Foundation may be increased by income from its non-distributed reserves, or by gifts and bequests.

Article Four

Foundation Objective

The Foundation is established for the purpose of awarding a prize for making an outstanding contribution in prevention, control and research in one or more of the following disease groups: cancer, cardiovascular disease and diabetes. The Foundation Committee shall determine the criteria to be applied when assessing the work carried out by the candidates.

Article Five

The Prize

1. The State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Disease, and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, shall consist of:

One bronze medal for making an outstanding contribution in prevention, control and research in one or more of the following disease groups: cancer, cardiovascular diseases and diabetes and a sum of, “which shall be awarded, annually, funds permitting, from the income accrued on the capital, after deducting the total cost of minting the medal, and any other expenses.

2. The Foundation Committee shall determine, in its first session, the initial value of the Prize, taking into consideration, the capital of the Foundation and the expected income accruing annually. This amount may be adjusted from time to time by the Committee based on changes in the capital of the Foundation, variation in investment returns and other relevant factors.

Article Six

The Foundation Committee

A Committee entitled the “Foundation Committee for The State of Kuwait Prize for the control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases, and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region”, shall be composed of the following members: the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean, and a representative of the Founder. The Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean Region or his representative will serve as the Secretary of the Committee.

Article Seven

Eligibility

1. The prize will be awarded to one or more persons for making an outstanding contribution in prevention, control and research in one or more of the following disease groups: cancer, cardiovascular disease and diabetes.
2. Current and former members of the WHO Secretariat shall not be eligible to receive the Prize nor should the candidature of a deceased person be submitted to the Foundation Committee, unless death occurs after the nomination has been made.
3. A candidate who has been previously awarded, and has been re-nominated after several years, will only be eligible if a new contribution has been made.

Article Eight

Nomination and Selection of Candidates

1. Any national health administration, national education administration, research center, educational institute, or nongovernmental organization in a Member State of the World Health Organization within the Eastern Mediterranean Region may encourage candidates for the Prize.
2. Applications will be screened by WHO Secretariat and the proposed nominations will be sent to the national health administration for endorsement.
3. The Foundation Committee shall decide in a private meeting, by a majority of the members present, on the recommendation to be made to the Regional Committee, whose decisions shall be final.
4. The presence of at least three members of the Foundation Committee, including the Chairman of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean or a Vice-Chairman acting for the Chairman at the Regional Committee, shall be required for the taking of decisions.
5. The Prize shall be presented during the following session of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean by its Chairman to the recipient, or representative thereof, in case of absence.

Article Nine

The Secretariat

1. The Foundation shall be administered by its Secretariat, namely the Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean, who shall act as Secretariat to the Foundation Committee.
2. The Secretariat shall be responsible:
 - a) For the execution of the decisions taken by the Foundation Committee within the limits of its powers as defined in these Statutes; and
 - b) For abiding by the above articles, and administering the Foundation in accordance with the provisions of these Statutes.

Article Ten

Administrative Costs

A charge of 13% (or as otherwise established by the governing bodies of the World Health Organization) for programme support costs shall be assessed on the amounts awarded by the state of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes.

Article Eleven

Revision of the Statutes

On the proposal of one of its members, the Foundation Committee may propose a revision of the present Statutes. Any such proposal, if endorsed by a majority of the Committee, shall be submitted to the Regional Committee for approval.