

## **Decisions and list of resolutions**

### **I. DECISIONS**

#### **WHA61(1)      Composition of the Committee on Credentials**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly appointed a Committee on Credentials consisting of delegates of the following Member States: Equatorial Guinea, Indonesia, Israel, Kenya, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Montenegro, Panama, Philippines, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Senegal, Solomon Islands and Ukraine.

(First plenary meeting, 19 May 2008)

#### **WHA61(2)      Composition of the Committee on Nominations**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly elected a Committee on Nominations consisting of delegates of the following Member States: Antigua and Barbuda, Bahrain, Belarus, Bolivia, Burundi, Chad, China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, France, Guinea-Bissau, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Liberia, Malaysia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Oman, Romania, Russian Federation, South Africa, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), and Ms Jane Halton, Australia (President, Sixtieth World Health Assembly, ex officio).

(First plenary meeting, 19 May 2008)

#### **WHA61(3)      Election of officers of the Sixty-first World Health Assembly**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly, after considering the recommendations of the Committee on Nominations, elected the following officers:

<b>President:</b>	Dr L. Ramsammy (Guyana)
<b>Vice-Presidents:</b>	Dr Ponmek Dalaloy (Lao People's Democratic Republic)
	Ms M. Maripuu (Estonia)
	Dr A.A. Yoosuf (Maldives)
	Mrs E. Raoul (Congo)
	Dr K. Abdelgadir (Sudan)

(First plenary meeting, 19 May 2008)

#### **WHA61(4) Election of officers of the main committees**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly, after considering the recommendations of the Committee on Nominations, elected the following officers of the main committees:

**Committee A: Chairman:** Dr F. Cicogna (Italy)

**Committee B: Chairman:** Dr A.R. Sicato (Angola)

(First plenary meeting, 19 May 2008)

The main committees subsequently elected the following officers:

**Committee A: Vice-Chairmen:** Mr J.O. Da Silva (Timor-Leste)  
Dr M.J. Muñoz (Uruguay)

**Rapporteur:** Dr P.D. Parirenyatwa (Zimbabwe)

**Committee B: Vice-Chairmen:** Dr N. El-Sayed (Egypt)  
Dr R. Daniel (Cook Islands)

**Rapporteur:** Dr W. Jayantha (Sri Lanka)

(First meeting of Committee A, 19 May 2008;  
first meeting of Committee B, 21 May 2008)

#### **WHA61(5) Establishment of the General Committee**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly, after considering the recommendations of the Committee on Nominations, elected the delegates of the following 17 countries as members of the General Committee: Argentina, Cameroon, China, Costa Rica, Cuba, France, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Qatar, Russian Federation, Slovenia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Yemen.

(First plenary meeting, 19 May 2008)

#### **WHA61(6) Adoption of the agenda**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly adopted the provisional agenda prepared by the Executive Board at its 122nd session with the deletion of one item and two subitems and the addition of one supplementary agenda subitem.

(Second plenary meeting, 19 May 2008)

**WHA61(7) Verification of credentials**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly recognized the validity of the formal credentials of the following delegations: Afghanistan; Albania; Algeria; Andorra; Angola; Antigua and Barbuda; Argentina; Armenia; Australia; Austria; Azerbaijan; Bahamas; Bahrain; Bangladesh; Barbados; Belarus; Belgium; Belize; Benin; Bhutan; Bolivia; Bosnia and Herzegovina; Botswana; Brazil; Brunei Darussalam; Bulgaria; Burkina Faso; Burundi; Cambodia; Cameroon; Canada; Cape Verde; Chad; Chile; China; Colombia; Comoros; Congo; Cook Islands; Costa Rica; Côte d'Ivoire; Croatia; Cuba; Cyprus; Czech Republic; Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Democratic Republic of the Congo; Denmark; Djibouti; Dominican Republic; Ecuador; Egypt; El Salvador; Equatorial Guinea; Eritrea; Estonia; Ethiopia; Fiji; Finland; France; Gabon; Gambia; Georgia; Germany; Ghana; Greece; Grenada; Guatemala; Guinea; Guinea-Bissau; Guyana; Haiti; Honduras; Hungary; Iceland; India; Indonesia; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Iraq; Ireland; Israel; Italy; Jamaica; Japan; Jordan; Kazakhstan; Kenya; Kiribati; Kuwait; Kyrgyzstan; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Latvia; Lebanon; Lesotho; Liberia; Libyan Arab Jamahiriya; Lithuania; Luxembourg; Madagascar; Malawi; Malaysia; Maldives; Mali; Malta; Marshall Islands; Mauritania; Mauritius; Mexico; Micronesia (Federated States of); Moldova; Monaco; Mongolia; Montenegro; Morocco; Mozambique; Myanmar; Namibia; Nauru; Nepal; Netherlands; New Zealand; Nicaragua; Niger; Nigeria; Norway; Oman; Pakistan; Palau; Panama; Papua New Guinea; Paraguay; Peru; Philippines; Poland; Portugal; Qatar; Republic of Korea; Romania; Russian Federation; Rwanda; Saint Kitts and Nevis; Saint Lucia; Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; Samoa; San Marino; Sao Tome and Principe; Saudi Arabia; Senegal; Serbia; Seychelles; Sierra Leone; Singapore; Slovakia; Slovenia; Solomon Islands; Somalia; South Africa; Spain; Sri Lanka; Sudan; Suriname; Swaziland; Sweden; Switzerland; Syrian Arab Republic; Tajikistan; Thailand; The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; Timor-Leste; Togo; Tonga; Trinidad and Tobago; Tunisia; Turkey; Tuvalu; Uganda; Ukraine; United Arab Emirates; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; United Republic of Tanzania; United States of America; Uruguay; Uzbekistan; Vanuatu; Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of); Viet Nam; Yemen; Zambia; Zimbabwe.

(Fifth plenary meeting, 21 May 2008;  
seventh plenary meeting, 23 May 2008)

**WHA61(8) Election of Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly, after considering the recommendations of the General Committee, elected the following as Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board: Bangladesh, Brazil, Hungary, Mauritania, Mauritius, Niger, Oman, Russian Federation, Samoa and Uganda.

(Seventh plenary meeting, 23 May 2008)

**WHA61(9) United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly nominated Dr Ebenezer Appiah-Denkyira of the delegation of Ghana as a member, and Dr Palanitina Tupuimatagi Toelupe of the delegation of Samoa as an alternate member, of the WHO Staff Pension Committee for a three-year term until May 2011.

(Eighth plenary meeting, 24 May 2008)

**WHA61(10) Selection of the country in which the Sixty-second World Health Assembly would be held**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly, in accordance with Article 14 of the Constitution, decided that the Sixty-second World Health Assembly would be held in Switzerland.

(Eighth plenary meeting, 24 May 2008)

**WHA61(11) Reports of the Executive Board on its 121st and 122nd sessions**

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly, after reviewing the Executive Board's report on its 121st and 122nd sessions,<sup>1</sup> took note of the reports, commended the work the Board had performed; and expressed its appreciation of the dedication with which the Board had carried out the tasks entrusted to it.

(Second plenary meeting, 19 May 2008)

## **II. RESOLUTIONS**

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| WHA61.1 | Poliomyelitis: mechanism for management of potential risks to eradication   |
| WHA61.2 | Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)   |
| WHA61.3 | Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan |
| WHA61.4 | Strategies to reduce the harmful use of alcohol   |
| WHA61.5 | Financial report and audited financial statements for the period<br>1 January 2006 – 31 December 2007               |
| WHA61.6 | Miscellaneous income 2006–2007 and financing gap for strategic objectives 12 and 13                                 |

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<sup>1</sup> Document A61/2.

WHA61.7	Members in arrears in the payment of their contributions to an extent that would justify invoking Article 7 of the Constitution
WHA61.8	Special arrangements for settlement of arrears: Kyrgyzstan
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WHA61.10	Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules
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WHA61.20	Infant and young child nutrition: biennial progress report
WHA61.21	Public health, innovation and intellectual property: global strategy and plan of action

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