



# WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

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## Decisions and list of resolutions

### I. DECISIONS

#### **EB109(1) Membership of the Jacques Pariset Foundation Selection Panel**

The Executive Board, in accordance with the Implementing Regulations of the Jacques Pariset Foundation, appointed Dr Y.-J. Om (Republic of Korea) a member of the Jacques Pariset Foundation Selection Panel for the duration of his term of office on the Executive Board, in addition to the Chairman of the Board, member *ex officio*. It was understood that should Dr Om be unable to attend, his successor or the alternate member of the Board designated by the Government concerned, in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure, would participate in the work of the Selection Panel.

(Second meeting, 14 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/2

#### **EB109(2) Ad hoc open-ended intergovernmental working group on review of the working methods of the Executive Board**

The Executive Board, having established during its session, pursuant to resolution WHA54.22, an ad hoc open-ended intergovernmental working group under the chairmanship of Professor T. Zeltner (Switzerland) and having considered the report of the Chairman of the working group,<sup>1</sup> agreed that the terms of reference of the working group, drawn up on the basis of resolution WHA54.22, would be:

- (1) to conduct a review of the working methods of the Executive Board and those of its subsidiary bodies in order to ensure that they are effective, efficient and transparent, and that participation of Member States in the proceedings of the Board, including working groups and drafting committees, is improved. The review will include the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board in light of the functions of the Board, and interaction between the Board and other organs of WHO;
- (2) to make recommendations to the Executive Board on the working methods that may need improvement, and to include relevant cost implications;

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<sup>1</sup> Document EB109/Conf.Paper No.16.

- (3) to report on its work at every session of the Executive Board;
- (4) to prepare draft provisions and other measures for implementing its recommendations and to submit them to the Board for consideration.

(Eighth meeting, 17 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/8

**EB109(3) Award of the Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation Prize**

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation Committee, awarded the Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation Prize for 2002 to Dr Hussein Mirchamsi (Islamic Republic of Iran) for his most significant contribution to the objectives of primary health care in the geographical area in which Dr Shousha served the World Health Organization.

(Ninth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/9

**EB109(4) Award of the Jacques Parisot Foundation Fellowship**

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the Jacques Parisot Foundation Selection Panel, awarded the Jacques Parisot Foundation Fellowship for 2002 to Dr Yu Dongbao (China).

(Ninth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/9

**EB109(5) Award of the Ihsan Dogramaci Family Health Foundation Prize**

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the Ihsan Dogramaci Family Health Foundation Selection Panel, awarded the Ihsan Dogramaci Family Health Foundation Prize for 2002 to Professor Elisabeth Wollast (Belgium) for her service in the field of family health.

(Ninth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/9

**EB109(6) Award of the Sasakawa Health Prize**

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the Sasakawa Health Prize Selection Panel, awarded the Sasakawa Health Prize for 2002 to the *Programa Nacional de Atención Odontológica Integral para Mujeres Trabajadoras de Escasos Recursos* of Chile. The laureate will receive an amount of US\$ 40 000 for its outstanding work in health development.

(Ninth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/9

**EB109(7) Award of the United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize**

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Selection Panel, awarded the United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize for 2002 to *Médecins sans frontières* (France) and to Dr Ibrahim Mohamed Yacoub (Bahrain) for their outstanding contribution to health development. The laureates will each receive US\$ 20 000.

(Ninth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/9

**EB109(8) Security Fund**

The Executive Board, having considered the report on Revolving and other long-term funds,<sup>1</sup> noted the decision of the Director-General to establish a security fund for the purposes outlined in the report, and commended the work carried out by WHO staff in difficult circumstances.

(Tenth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/10

**EB109(9) Review of nongovernmental organizations in official relations with WHO**

The Executive Board, having considered the report of its Standing Committee on Nongovernmental Organizations concerning the review of one-third of the nongovernmental organizations in official relations with WHO,<sup>2</sup> and following up decision EB107(1), reached the decisions set out below.

On the basis of the reports of collaboration submitted by 43 nongovernmental organizations, the Board commended their support, primarily for WHO's work on mental and neurological disorders, occupational health, rehabilitation, nutrition, child and adolescent health, and reproductive and women's health, and decided to maintain official relations with them.

In the absence of reports on collaboration from the International Council on Social Welfare, International Ergonomics Association, International Federation of Chemical, Energy, Mine and General Workers' Unions, International Federation of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, International Federation on Ageing, International Pediatric Association, International Society for Biomedical Research on Alcoholism, International Union for Health Promotion and Education, Rehabilitation International, World Assembly of Youth, World Association for Psychosocial Rehabilitation, World Federation of Neurology, World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies and the World Organization of the Scout Movement, the Board decided to defer the review of relations until its 111th session.

As information was insufficient to review relations with the International Medical Informatics Association, and in view of WHO's interest in formulating a plan for collaboration, the Board decided

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<sup>1</sup> Document EB109/22.

<sup>2</sup> Document EB109/29.

to defer the review of relations for a further year, until its 111th session, pending a more detailed report on the status of relations and the results of efforts to draw up a joint work plan.

Although it had not been possible to implement the plan for collaboration with the World Veterans Federation, the Board decided, in view of a continuing mutual interest in collaboration, to defer the review until its 111th session so that a work plan could be prepared.

Concerning the International Federation of Health Records Associations, the Board regretted that there had been no collaboration during the period under review. However, as a work plan had been agreed upon, which promised the resumption of mutually beneficial activities, the Board decided to maintain official relations with the Federation.

Concerning the International Traffic Medicine Association and the International Federation for Housing and Planning, the Board was gratified that efforts to revitalize relations had resulted in agreement for plans for collaboration and decided to maintain official relations with the two bodies.

(Tenth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/10

**EB109(10) Provisional agenda for and duration of the Fifty-fifth World Health Assembly**

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the Director-General on the provisional agenda for the Fifty-fifth World Health Assembly,<sup>1</sup> and recalling its earlier decision that the Fifty-fifth World Health Assembly should be held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, opening on Monday, 13 May 2002, and closing no later than Saturday, 18 May 2002,<sup>2</sup> approved the provisional agenda of the Fifty-fifth World Health Assembly with the inclusion of the following items: the World Summit on Sustainable Development, quality of care: patients' safety, ageing and health, mental health, African trypanosomiasis and neurocysticercosis. It also recommended that the theme for the round tables should be risks to health, that the round tables should be conducted in accordance with the procedures outlined,<sup>3</sup> and that participation in the round tables should be open to ministers of health or to those designated to personally represent them in policy discussions.

(Tenth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
EB109/SR/10

**EB109(11) Date and place of the 110th session of the Executive Board**

The Executive Board decided that its 110th session should be convened on Monday, 20 May 2002, at WHO headquarters, Geneva, and should close no later than 21 May 2002.

(Tenth meeting, 18 January 2002)  
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<sup>1</sup> Document EB109/32.

<sup>2</sup> See decision EB108(11).

<sup>3</sup> Document EB107/21.

## II. LIST OF RESOLUTIONS

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