Preventing sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment

The Executive Board, having considered the draft decision on prevention of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment,¹

Decided² to temporarily suspend Financial Rule XII, 112.1, in part, in order to enable the application of the provision set forth in the Annex to this decision.

ANNEX

PROVISION REQUIRING THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF FINANCIAL RULE XII, 112.1

1. During this suspension, the Head, Investigations shall be responsible for all investigations of sexual exploitation and abuse and abusive conduct.³ In this capacity the Head, Investigations shall have the same reporting lines, the same type of access, the same channels for reporting the results of work undertaken, including to the Executive Board, and same authority as those currently granted to the Director, Internal Oversight Services in this area.

2. All other investigations that are not investigations of sexual exploitation and abuse or abusive conduct as referred to above remain under the overall responsibility of Director, Internal Oversight Services.

3. This provision will remain in effect until the 151st session of the Executive Board.

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¹ Document EB150/33 Add.1.
² This decision was taken due to exceptional circumstances and does not set a precedent.
³ As defined in the WHO Policy on Preventing and Addressing Abusive Conduct.