

Appointment of the Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean

1. The present appointment of Dr Ahmed Salim Saif Al Mandhari as Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean expires on 31 January 2024.

2. At its seventieth session, the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean, in accordance with the provisions of Article 52 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization and Rule 51 of the Rules of Procedure of the WHO Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean, nominated Dr Hanan Hassan Balkhy as Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean and adopted the following resolution:¹

The Regional Committee,

Considering Article 52 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization; and

In accordance with Rule 51 of its Rules of Procedure,

1. **NOMINATES** Dr Hanan Hassan Balkhy as Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean;
2. **REQUESTS** the Director-General to propose to the Executive Board the appointment of Dr Hanan Hassan Balkhy from 1 February 2024.

ACTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

3. The Executive Board may wish to consider the above resolution of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean, in accordance with the provisions of Article 52 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization and Rule 56 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board.

4. The Executive Board is invited thereafter to consider the following draft resolution:

The Executive Board,

Considering the provisions of Article 52 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization;

¹ Resolution EM/RC70/R.7 (2023).

Considering the nomination made by the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean at its seventieth session,¹

1. APPOINTS Dr Hanan Hassan Balkhy as Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean as from 1 February 2024;
2. AUTHORIZES the Director-General to issue a contract to Dr Hanan Hassan Balkhy for a period of five years as from 1 February 2024, subject to the provisions of the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules.

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¹ See resolution EM/RC70/R.7 (2023).