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Guide to documentation

DISTRIBUTION OF DOCUMENTS

A document distribution service operates at the counter in the hall between doors 13 and 15 of the Palais des Nations. Each day delegates, representatives and other participants will receive their documents under the name of their country or organization in the pigeon-holes situated on both sides of this counter. Documents will be distributed in the languages indicated by delegates on the form which they will be invited to complete. Pigeon-holes are used exclusively for official WHO documents produced and distributed through the WHO document distribution system. The only distribution of documents considered official is the distribution to these pigeon-holes. Participants are requested to collect their documents before the meetings each day.

JOURNAL

The time and place of meetings are published each day in the **Journal** of the Health Assembly. The **Journal** gives the programme for meetings, the agenda items for discussion and the corresponding documents, as well as other relevant information.

DOCUMENT SYMBOLS

Documents in the main series (A55/..) serve as a basis for discussion of an agenda item or convey the report of a committee or other body. Information documents (A55/INF.DOC/..) transmit supplementary information.

Conference papers (A55/A/Conf.Paper No. .. and A55/B/Conf.Paper No. ..) contain draft resolutions of Committees A and B. Once adopted in plenary, resolutions are issued in the series WHA55... . The verbatim records of the plenary meetings, which give a word-for-word transcription of the proceedings, appear in the series A55/VR/..; the discussions in Committees A and B are recorded in summarized form in the series A55/A/SR/.. and A55/B/SR/.. .

Other, ephemeral, documents appear in the series A55/DIV/.. .

DOCUMENTS OF RELEVANCE TO THE AGENDA OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY

Several documents already considered by the Executive Board at its 109th session are reproduced as annexes to document **EB109/2002/REC/1** and referred to under the relevant items in the **Journal**. For other agenda items, the basis for discussion will be a separate document bearing the symbol A55/.. .

The summary records of the Board's discussions at its 109th session appear in document **EB109/2002/REC/2**.

BASIC DOCUMENTS

The Constitution of WHO, the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly and other relevant information are contained in the publication entitled *Basic documents* (43rd ed., 2001).

DOCUMENTS ON THE INTERNET

The World Health Organization Web site (<http://www.who.int>) provides easy electronic access to WHO policies and related documents. The Governance page, accessed from the WHO home page, offers options to download documents for the current sessions of the governing bodies and to search documents of previous sessions, as follows:

- the WHO Policy document retrieval system allows Internet users to navigate and search various "infobases". These infobases include *Basic documents*, documents submitted in sessions of the Executive Board and Health Assembly, official records, resolutions and decisions of the Board and the Assembly, and the programme budget. The WHO Policy System can be accessed directly at the Internet address: <http://www.who.int/whopolicy/en> (English), or <http://www.who.int/whopolicy/fr> (French);
- the **Journal** and documents of relevance to the agenda of the Fifty-fifth World Health Assembly are available for downloading at the following address: <http://www.who.int/wha>

Since documentation is available on the Internet, and as an economy measure, there will be no provision for dispatch or transport of any documentation made available during the Health Assembly.

SUBMISSIONS BY DELEGATIONS

Delegations wishing to have draft resolutions distributed to the Health Assembly or to one of its committees are requested to hand them to the Assistant to the Secretary of the Health Assembly in the case of documents intended for plenary meetings, or to the secretary of the committee concerned in the case of documents intended for one of the committees. Draft resolutions should be handed in early enough to allow time for translation, reproduction in the working languages and circulation to delegations at least two days before the proposal is discussed, in conformity with Rule 52 of the Rules of Procedure. The Secretariat is available upon request to provide logistic and editorial or information support as required.

The conditions under which formal proposals relating to items on the agenda may be introduced at plenary meetings and in the main committees are set out in Rules 50, 51 and 52 of the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly.

DRAFT RESOLUTIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR ADOPTION BY THE HEALTH ASSEMBLY

The following draft resolutions have been proposed by the Executive Board at its 109th session for adoption by the Health Assembly. These resolutions are contained in document **EB109/2002/REC/1**.

EB109.R2	Diet, physical activity and health
EB109.R3	WHO's contribution to achievement of the development goals of the United Nations Millennium Declaration
EB109.R4	Dengue prevention and control
EB109.R5	Global public health response to the deliberate use of biological and chemical agents, and radio-nuclear attacks to cause harm
EB109.R6	The contribution of WHO to the follow-up of the United Nations General Assembly special session on HIV/AIDS
EB109.R7	Reimbursement of travel expenses for members of the Executive Board
EB109.R9	Centenary of the Pan American Health Organization
EB109.R10	The role of contractual arrangements in improving health systems' performance
EB109.R13	Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General
EB109.R15	Amendments to the Staff Regulations
EB109.R16	Quality of care: patient safety
EB109.R17	Ensuring accessibility of essential medicines
EB109.R18	Infant and young child nutrition
EB109.R19	Miscellaneous Income
EB109.R20	Real Estate Fund
EB109.R21	Revolving and other long-term funds

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