

PART II

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The text of resolutions and decisions recommended in committee reports and subsequently adopted without change by the Health Assembly has been replaced by the serial number (in square brackets) under which they appear in document WHASS1/2006–WHA60/2007/REC/1. The verbatim records of plenary meetings at which these reports were approved are reproduced in document WHASS1/2006–WHA60/2007/REC/2.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Report¹

[A60/53 – 15 May 2007]

The Committee on Credentials met on 15 May 2007. Delegates of the following Member States were present: Barbados, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Guatemala, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Monaco, Mongolia, Sierra Leone, Timor-Leste, United Arab Emirates, Viet Nam.

The Committee elected the following officers: Dr A.B.H. Al Ameri (United Arab Emirates) – Chairman; Mr D. Ximenes (Timor-Leste) – Vice-Chairman.

The Committee examined the credentials delivered to the Director-General in accordance with Rule 22 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly. It noted that the Secretariat had found these credentials to be in conformity with the Rules of Procedure.

The credentials of the delegates of the Member States listed at the end of this report were found to be in conformity with the Rules of Procedure as constituting formal credentials; and the Committee therefore proposes that the Health Assembly should recognize their validity.

The Committee examined notifications from the Member States listed below, which, while indicating the names of the delegates concerned, could not be considered as constituting formal credentials in accordance with the provisions of the Rules of Procedure. The Committee therefore recommends to the Health Assembly that the delegates of these Member States be provisionally seated with all rights in the Health Assembly pending the arrival of their formal credentials: Central African Republic; Ethiopia; Kyrgyzstan; Somalia; Tajikistan.

States whose credentials it was recommended should be recognized as valid (see fourth paragraph above)

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, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic

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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), 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, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, 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.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

First report¹

[A60/50 – 14 May 2007]

The Committee on Nominations, consisting of delegates of the following Member States: Afghanistan, Argentina, Burkina Faso, Canada, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, France, Ghana, Indonesia, Italy, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Panama, Qatar, Russian Federation, Sri Lanka, Suriname, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine and Professor P.I. Garrido (Mozambique) (ex officio), met on 14 May 2007.

In accordance with Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly and respecting the practice of regional rotation that the Health Assembly has followed for many years in this regard, the Committee decided to propose to the Health Assembly the nomination of Ms J. Halton (Australia) for the Office of President of the Sixtieth World Health Assembly.

Second report¹

[A60/51 – 14 May 2007]

At its meeting held on 14 May 2007, the Committee on Nominations decided to propose to the Health Assembly, in accordance with Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the following nominations:

Vice-Presidents of the Health Assembly: Dr T. Adhanom (Ethiopia), Dr C. Chang (Ecuador), Dr N.A. Haffadh (Bahrain), Dr J. Kiely (Ireland), Mr Kye Chun Yong (Democratic People's Republic of Korea);

¹ Approved by the Health Assembly at its first plenary meeting.

Committee A: **Chairman** – Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar);

Committee B: **Chairman** – Mr T. Zeltner (Switzerland).

Concerning the members of the General Committee to be elected under Rule 31 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the Committee decided to nominate the delegates of the following 17 countries: Botswana, China, Cuba, France, Germany, Guinea-Bissau, Jamaica, Latvia, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Paraguay, Russian Federation, Samoa, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, United States of America.

Third report¹

[A60/52 – 14 May 2007]

At its meeting held on 14 May 2007, the Committee on Nominations decided to propose to each of the main Committees, in accordance with Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the following nominations for the Offices of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur:

Committee A: Vice-Chairmen – Dr A. Balbisi (Jordan) and Professor Eng Huot (Cambodia);
Rapporteur – Dr A. Fúnez (Honduras);²

Committee B: Vice-Chairmen – Mr D. Francis (Trinidad and Tobago) and Dr A.A. Yoosuf (Maldives);
Rapporteur – Mr H. bin M. Al-Fakheri (Saudi Arabia).

GENERAL COMMITTEE

Report³

[A60/49 – 17 May 2007]

Election of Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board

At its meeting on 16 May 2007, the General Committee, in accordance with Rule 102 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, drew up the following list of 12 Members, in the English alphabetical order, to be transmitted to the Health Assembly for the purpose of the election of 12 Members to be entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board: Bahamas, Indonesia,

¹ See summary records of the first meetings of Committees A and B (pages 11 and 209, respectively).

² As Dr Fúnez was unable to attend the Health Assembly, Mrs G. Bu Figueroa was elected in his place; see summary record of the second meeting of Committee A, section 1.

³ See document WHASS1/2006–WHA60/2007/REC/2, verbatim record of the eighth plenary meeting of the Health Assembly.

Malawi, New Zealand, Paraguay, Peru, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Sao Tome and Principe, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

In the General Committee's opinion these 12 Members would provide, if elected, a balanced distribution on the Board as a whole.

COMMITTEE A

First report¹

[A60/54 – 17 May 2007]

On the proposal of the Committee on Nominations,² Dr A. Balbisi (Jordan) and Professor Eng Huot (Cambodia) were elected Vice-Chairmen, and as decided by the Committee in its second meeting, Mrs G. Bu Figueroa (Honduras) was elected Rapporteur.

Committee A held its first and second meetings on 15 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar) and its third meeting on 16 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar) and Dr A. Balbisi (Jordan).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of one resolution relating to the following agenda item:

- 12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.2 Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks [WHA60.1].

Second report³

[A60/56 – 19 May 2007]

Committee A held its fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth meetings on 16, 17 and 18 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of four resolutions relating to the following agenda items:

- 11. Draft Medium-term strategic plan, including Proposed programme budget 2008–2009
 - 11.1 Draft Medium-term strategic plan 2008–2013
 - Medium-term strategic plan 2008–2013 [WHA60.11]
 - 11.2 Proposed programme budget 2008–2009
 - Appropriation resolution for the financial period 2008–2009 [WHA60.12]

¹ Approved by the Health Assembly at its eighth plenary meeting.

² See third report of the Committee on Nominations, above.

³ Approved by the Health Assembly at its ninth plenary meeting.

- 12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.3 Control of leishmaniasis [WHA60.13]
 - 12.4 Poliomyelitis: mechanism for management of potential risks to eradication [WHA60.14].

Third report¹

[A60/58 – 21 May 2007]

Committee A held its ninth meeting on 19 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Dr A. Balbisi (Jordan).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of one resolution relating to the following agenda item:

- 12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.9 Oral health: action plan for promotion and integrated disease prevention [WHA60.17].

Fourth report¹

[A60/59 – 22 May 2007]

Committee A held its tenth meeting on 21 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of two resolutions relating to the following agenda items:

- 12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.5 Malaria, including proposal for establishment of Malaria Day
Malaria, including proposal for establishment of World Malaria Day [WHA60.18]
 - 12.6 Tuberculosis control: progress and long-term planning [WHA60.19].

Fifth report¹

[A60/61 – 23 May 2007]

Committee A held its eleventh meeting on 21 May under the chairmanship of Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar) and its twelfth and thirteenth meetings on 22 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar) and Professor Eng Huot (Cambodia), respectively. During the thirteenth meeting Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar) later took the chair.

¹ Approved by the Health Assembly at its eleventh plenary meeting.

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of seven resolutions relating to the following agenda items:

- 12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.14 Health systems: emergency-care systems [WHA60.22]
 - 12.8 Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases: implementation of the global strategy [WHA60.23]
 - 12.11 Health promotion in a globalized world [WHA60.24]
 - 12.12 Integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO: draft strategy [WHA60.25]
 - 12.13 Workers' health: global plan of action [WHA60.26]
 - 12.15 Strengthening of health information systems [WHA60.27]
 - 12.1 Avian and pandemic influenza
 - Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits [WHA60.28].

Sixth report¹

[A60/63 – 24 May 2007]

Committee A held its fourteenth meeting on 23 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Dr R.R. Jean Louis (Madagascar).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of one decision relating to the following agenda item:

- 12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.7 Evidence-based strategies and interventions to reduce alcohol-related harm [WHA60.10].

COMMITTEE B

First report²

[A60/55 – 18 May 2007]

On the proposal of the Committee on Nominations,³ Mr D. Francis (Trinidad and Tobago) and Dr A.A. Yoosuf (Maldives) were elected Vice-Chairmen, and Mr H. bin M. Al-Fakheri (Saudi Arabia) was elected Rapporteur.

¹ Approved by the Health Assembly at its ninth plenary meeting.

² Approved by the Health Assembly at its eleventh plenary meeting.

³ See third report of the Committee on Nominations, above.

Committee B held its first, second and third meetings on 16 and 17 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Mr T. Zeltner (Switzerland) and, after the election of Vice-Chairmen, under that of Mr D. Francis (Trinidad and Tobago) and Dr A.A. Yoosuf (Maldives).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of nine resolutions and one decision relating to the following agenda items:

14. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan [WHA60.2]
15. Financial matters
 - 15.1 Unaudited interim financial report on the accounts of WHO for 2006 and comments thereon made by the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board [WHA60.3]
 - 15.3 Status of collection of assessed contributions, including Member States in arrears in the payment of their contributions to an extent that would justify invoking Article 7 of the Constitution [WHA60.4]
 - 15.5 Scale of assessments 2008–2009 [WHA60.5]
 - 15.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members
Assessment of new Member [WHA60.6]
 - 15.7 Appointment of the External Auditor [WHA60.7]
 - 15.8 Financial period 2006–2007: implementation of resolution WHA58.4 [WHA60.8]
 - 15.9 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules
Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules – Introduction of International Public Sector Accounting Standards [WHA60.9]
17. Staffing matters
 - 17.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [WHA60.10]
 - 17.4 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee
United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund: appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee [WHA60.9].

Second report¹

[A60/57 – 21 May 2007]

Committee B held its fourth and fifth meetings on 18 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Mr T. Zeltner (Switzerland). During the fourth meeting Dr A.A. Yoosuf (Maldives) later took the chair *ad interim*.

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of two resolutions relating to the following agenda items:

12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.16 WHO's role and responsibilities in health research [WHA60.15]
 - 12.17 Progress in the rational use of medicines [WHA60.16].

¹ Approved by the Health Assembly at its eleventh plenary meeting.

Third report¹

[A60/60 – 22 May 2007]

Committee B held its sixth and seventh meetings on 21 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Mr T. Zeltner (Switzerland) and Dr A.A. Yoosuf (Maldives), respectively. During the sixth meeting Dr A.A. Yoosuf (Maldives) later took the chair.

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of two resolutions relating to the following agenda items:

- 12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.18 Better medicines for children [WHA60.20]
 - 12.21 Progress reports on technical and health matters
 - G. Sustaining the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (resolution WHA58.24)
 - Sustaining the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders [WHA60.21].

Fourth report¹

[A60/62 – 23 May 2007]

Committee B held its eighth and ninth meetings on 22 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Mr T. Zeltner (Switzerland).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of one resolution relating to the following agenda item:

- 12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.19 Health technologies [WHA60.29].

Fifth report¹

[A60/64 – 24 May 2007]

Committee B held its tenth meeting on 23 May 2007 under the chairmanship of Mr T. Zeltner (Switzerland).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixtieth World Health Assembly the adoption of one resolution relating to the following agenda item:

¹ Approved by the Health Assembly at its eleventh plenary meeting.

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12. Technical and health matters
- 12.20 Public health, innovation and intellectual property: progress made by the Intergovernmental Working Group
- Public health, innovation and intellectual property [WHA60.30].
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