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ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviations used in WHO documentation include the following:

ACHR	– Advisory Committee on Health Research	OIE	– <i>Office International des Epizooties</i>
ASEAN	– Association of Southeast Asian Nations	PAHO	– Pan American Health Organization
CEB	– United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (formerly ACC)	UNAIDS	– Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
CIOMS	– Council for International Organizations of Medical Sciences	UNCTAD	– United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
FAO	– Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations	UNDCP	– United Nations International Drug Control Programme
IAEA	– International Atomic Energy Agency	UNDP	– United Nations Development Programme
IARC	– International Agency for Research on Cancer	UNEP	– United Nations Environment Programme
ICAO	– International Civil Aviation Organization	UNESCO	– United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
IFAD	– International Fund for Agricultural Development	UNFPA	– United Nations Population Fund
ILO	– International Labour Organization (Office)	UNHCR	– Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
IMF	– International Monetary Fund	UNICEF	– United Nations Children's Fund
IMO	– International Maritime Organization	UNIDO	– United Nations Industrial Development Organization
INCB	– International Narcotics Control Board	UNRWA	– United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
ITU	– International Telecommunication Union	WFP	– World Food Programme
OECD	– Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development	WIPO	– World Intellectual Property Organization
		WMO	– World Meteorological Organization
		WTO	– World Trade Organization

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PREFACE

The Sixty-first World Health Assembly was held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, from 19 to 24 May 2008, in accordance with the decision of the Executive Board at its 121st session. Its proceedings are issued in three volumes, containing, in addition to other relevant material:

Resolutions and decisions, Annexes – document WHA61/2008/REC/1

Verbatim records of plenary meetings, list of participants – document WHA61/2008/REC/2

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Committee on Credentials

The Committee on Credentials was composed of delegates of the following Member States: Equatorial Guinea; Indonesia; Israel; Kenya; Libyan Arab Jamahiriya; Montenegro; Panama; Philippines; Saint Kitts and Nevis; Senegal; Solomon Islands and Ukraine.

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Vice-Chairman: Mr R. HERBERT (Saint Kitts and Nevis)

Secretary: Ms F. MOURAIN-SCHUT, Senior
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Committee on Nominations

The Committee on Nominations was composed of delegates of the following Member States: Antigua and Barbuda, Bahrain, Belarus, Bolivia, Burundi, Chad, China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, France, Guinea-Bissau, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Liberia, Malaysia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Oman, Romania, Russian Federation, South Africa, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), and Ms Jane Halton, Australia (President, Sixtieth World Health Assembly, ex officio).

General Committee

The General Committee was composed of the President and Vice-Presidents of the Health Assembly and the Chairmen of the main committees, together with delegates of the following Member States: Argentina, Cameroon, China, Costa Rica, Cuba, France, Mozambique, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Qatar, Russian Federation, Slovenia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Yemen.

Chairman: Dr L. RAMSAMMY (Guyana)

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MAIN COMMITTEES

Under Rule 35 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, each delegation was entitled to be represented on each main committee by one of its members.

Committee A

Chairman: Dr F. CICOGNA (Italy)

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