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ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviations used in WHO documentation include the following:

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

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PREFACE

The Sixty-second World Health Assembly was held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, from 18 to 22 May 2009, in accordance with the decision of the Executive Board at its 123rd session. Its proceedings are issued in three volumes, containing, in addition to other relevant material:

Resolutions and decisions, Annexes – document WHA62/2009/REC/1

Verbatim records of plenary meetings, list of participants – document WHA62/2009/REC/2

Summary records of committees; reports of committees – document WHA62/2009/REC/3

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Committee on Credentials

The Committee on Credentials was composed of delegates of the following Member States: Albania, Andorra, Belize, Brunei Darussalam, Cape Verde, Chad, Greece, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Maldives, Mozambique, Oman, and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

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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: Afghanistan, Armenia, Bangladesh, China, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Czech Republic, Djibouti,

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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.

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