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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

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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-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

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OFFICERS OF THE HEALTH ASSEMBLY AND MEMBERSHIP OF ITS COMMITTEES

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Dr L.-E. HOLM (Sweden)

Dr A.Y. RASA'A (Yemen)

Dr A. MATTHEW (Marshall Islands)

Secretary

Dr M. CHAN, Director-General

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).

Chairman: Mr J.M. CASALS ALIS

(Andorra)

Vice-Chairman: Mr I.A.S. DE CARVALHO

(Cape Verde)

Secretary: Ms F. MOURAIN-SCHUT, Senior Legal Officer

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, France, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Swaziland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and United States of America.

Chairman: Mr N.S. DE SILVA (Sri Lanka)

Secretary: Dr M. CHAN, Director-General

MAIN COMMITTEES

Under Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, each delegation is entitled to be represented on each main committee by one of its members.

Committee A

Chairman: Dr F. MENESES GONZÁLEZ

(Mexico)

Vice-Chairmen: Dr M. RAMATLAPENG

(Lesotho) and Dr M. BIN HAMAD BIN

JABER AL-THANI (Qatar)

Rapporteur: Ms S.T. AYDIN (Turkey)

Secretary: Dr Q.M. ISLAM, Director, Making Pregnancy Safer

Committee B

Chairman: Mr S. MCKERNAN

(New Zealand)

Vice-Chairmen: Dr U.S. SUTARJO

(Indonesia) and Mr V. JAKSONS (Latvia)

Rapporteur: Dr E.G. ALLEN YOUNG

(Jamaica)

Secretary: Dr M. DAYRIT, Director, Human Resources for Health

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 - 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
 - 1.2 Election of the President
 - 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents and Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
 - 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees
2. Reports of the Executive Board on its 123rd and 124th sessions
3. Address by Dr Margaret Chan, Director-General
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6. Executive Board: election
7. Awards
8. Reports of the main committees
9. Closure of the Assembly

¹ Adopted at the second plenary meeting.

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10. Opening of the Committee¹
11. Medium-term strategic plan, including Proposed programme budget 2010–2011
12. Technical and health matters
 - 12.1 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits
 - 12.2 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)
 - 12.3 Prevention of avoidable blindness and visual impairment
 - 12.4 Primary health care, including health system strengthening
 - 12.5 Commission on Social Determinants of Health
 - 12.6 Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals
 - 12.7 Climate change and health
 - 12.8 [Transferred to Committee B]
 - 12.9 [Transferred to Committee B]
 - 12.10 [Transferred to Committee B]

¹ Including election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur.

COMMITTEE B

13. Opening of the Committee¹
14. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan
15. Programme and budget matters
 - 15.1 Programme budget 2006–2007: performance assessment
 - 15.2 Implementation of Programme budget 2008–2009: interim report
16. Audit and oversight matters
 - Report of the Internal Auditor
17. Financial matters
 - 17.1 Unaudited interim financial report on the accounts of WHO for 2008
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 - 17.3 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
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18. Staffing matters
 - 18.1 Human resources: annual report
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 - 18.4 Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

¹ Including election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur.

18.5 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

12. Technical and health matters

12.8 Public health, innovation and intellectual property: global strategy and plan of action

12.9 Prevention and control of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis

12.10 Progress reports on technical and health matters

- A. Poliomyelitis: mechanism for management of potential risks to eradication (resolution WHA61.1)
- B. Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks (resolution WHA60.1)
- C. Malaria, including proposal for establishment of World Malaria Day (resolution WHA60.18)
- D. Implementation by WHO of the recommendations of the Global Task Team on Improving AIDS Coordination among Multilateral Institutions and International Donors (resolution WHA59.12)
- E. Prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections (resolution WHA59.19)
- F. Strengthening of health information systems (resolution WHA60.27)
- G. Working towards universal coverage of maternal, newborn and child health interventions (resolution WHA58.31)
- H. Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (resolution WHA60.25)
- I. Rational use of medicines (resolution WHA60.16)
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A62/4 Add.2	Medium-term strategic plan, including Proposed programme budget 2010–2011: efficiency gains in 2010–2011
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A62/6	Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)
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A62/8	Primary health care, including health system strengthening ³
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¹ See page xi.

² See document WHA62/2009/REC/1, Annexes 1 and 5.

³ See document WHA62/2009/REC/1, Annex 5.

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¹ See document WHA62/2009/REC/1, Annexes 4 and 5.

² See document WHA62/2009/REC/1, Annex 5.

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¹ See document WHA62/2009/REC/1, Annex 5.

² See document WHA62/2009/REC/1, Annex 2.

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PPB/2010–2011 Proposed programme budget 2010–2011

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