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### Programme of meetings for Friday, 21 May 2010

Time	Plenary <i>Assembly Hall</i>	Committee A <i>Room XVIII</i>	Committee B <i>Room XVII</i>
09:00		Eleventh meeting	Seventh meeting
14:30		Twelfth meeting	Eighth meeting
Immediately following the closure of Committees A and B	Eighth meeting		

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### Informal consultation

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

The meeting of the drafting group will be held on Friday 21 May, from 10:30 to 12:30 in Room XII.

### 127th session of the Executive Board, Saturday 22 May 2010

The 127th session of the Executive Board will be held at the Palais des Nations in Salle XVII. The Executive Board will open on Saturday 22 May 2010 at 9:30. Please note the following administrative arrangements:

**Credentials:** Delegates are reminded to send their credentials to the Office of the Governing Bodies (Fax No. 022 791 4173), as soon as possible.

**Documents:** Specific pigeon holes for Executive Board Members' documentation are located next to the documents desk between doors 13 and 15 at the Palais des Nations.

**Registration:** Badges for Members of the Board, their alternates and advisers, and representatives of Member States and organizations invited to attend, will be issued on

Friday 21 May

- at the Palais, registration desk between doors 13 and 15 from 8:00 to 18:00
- at WHO main lobby from 8:00 to 18:00

Saturday 22 May

- at WHO main lobby from 8:00 till the end of the session

## I. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

Friday, 21 May 2010

Eleventh and twelfth meetings of Committee A

Room XVIII – 09:00

### – Draft fourth report of Committee A

Document (Draft) A63/64 containing four resolutions entitled:

- *Strategies to reduce the harmful use of alcohol*
- *Marketing of food and non-alcoholic beverages to children*
- *Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals*
- *International recruitment of health personnel: draft global code of practice*

### Item 11 (continued) Technical and health matters

Item 11.20 (continued) – Counterfeit medical products

Documents A63/23, A63/INF.DOC./3, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.4 Rev.1, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.4 Add.1, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.5, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.5 Add.1, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.7, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.7 Add.1, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.12 and A63/A/Conf.Paper No.13

Item 11.6 (continued) – Infant and young child nutrition

Documents EB126/2010/REC/1, resolution EB126.R5, A63/9 and A63/A/Conf.Paper No.9

Item 11.4 (continued) – Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals

Documents EB126/2010/REC/1, resolution EB126.R4, A63/7, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.2 Rev.1, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.2 Add.1 and A63/A/Conf.Paper No.8

Item 11.7 (continued) – Birth defects

Documents EB126/2010/REC/1, resolution EB126.R6 and A63/10 and A63/A/Conf.Paper No.10

Item 11.12 (continued) – Viral hepatitis

Documents EB126/2010/REC/1, resolution EB126.R16, A63/15 and A63/A/Conf.Paper No.14

Item 11.3 (continued) – Public health, innovation and intellectual property: global strategy and plan of action

Documents A63/6, A63/6 Add.1, A63/6 Add.2, A63/A/Conf.Paper No.3 and A63/A/Conf.Paper No.3 Add.1

Seventh and eighth meetings of Committee B

Room XVII – 09:00

### – Draft first report of Committee B

Document (Draft) A63/62 containing eight resolutions entitled:

- *Financial report and audited financial statements for the period 1 January 2008 – 31 December 2009*
- *Scale of assessments 2010–2011*
- *Safety and security of staff and premises*
- *The Capital Master Plan*

- *Report of the External Auditor*
- *Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General*
- *Partnerships*
- *Agreements with intergovernmental organizations*

and one decision entitled:

- *Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee*

**Item 17 (continued)    Staffing matters**

- Item 17.1 (continued) – The election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization  
Document A63/39 and A63/B/Conf.Paper No.2

**Item 11 (continued)    Technical and health matters (*Subitems transferred from Committee A*)**

- Item 11.14 (continued) – Chagas disease: control and elimination  
Documents A63/17, A63/17 Add.1, EB124/2009/REC/1, resolution EB124.R7 and A63/B/Conf.Paper No.1 Rev.1
- Item 11.17 (continued) – Availability, safety and quality of blood products  
Documents EB126/2010/REC/1, resolution EB126.R14 and A63/20
- Item 11.18 – Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management  
Documents EB126/2010/REC/1, resolutions EB126.R12 and EB126.R13 and A63/21
- Item 11.19 – WHO's role and responsibilities in health research  
Documents A63/22, A63/22 Add.1 and EB124/2009/REC/1, resolution EB124.R12
- Item 11.21 – Human organ and tissue transplantation  
Documents A63/24, A63/24 Add.1 and EB124/2009/REC/1, resolution EB124.R13
- Item 11.22 – Strengthening the capacity of governments to constructively engage the private sector in providing essential health-care services  
Documents A63/25, A63/25 Corr.1 and A63/25 Add.1
- Item 11.23 – Treatment and prevention of pneumonia  
Documents EB126/2010/REC/1, resolution EB126.R15 and A63/26
- Item 11.24 – Progress reports  
Document A63/27
- A. Poliomyelitis: mechanism for management of potential risks to eradication (resolution WHA61.1)
  - B. Control of human African trypanosomiasis (resolution WHA57.2)
  - C. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (resolution WHA57.12)
  - D. Rapid scaling up of health workforce production (resolution WHA59.23)
  - E. Strengthening nursing and midwifery (resolution WHA59.27)
  - F. Sustaining the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (resolution WHA60.21)

- G. Multilingualism: implementation of action plan (resolution WHA61.12)
- H. Health of migrants (resolution WHA61.17)
- I. Climate change and health (resolution WHA61.19)
- J. Primary health care, including health system strengthening (resolution WHA62.12)

<b>Eighth plenary meeting</b>	<b>Assembly Hall – Immediately following the closure of Committees A and B</b>
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**Item 8 (continued)      Reports of the main committees**

- **Fourth report of Committee A**  
Document A63/64 containing four resolutions entitled:
  - *Strategies to reduce the harmful use of alcohol*
  - *Marketing of food and non-alcoholic beverages to children*
  - *Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals*
  - *International recruitment of health personnel: draft global code of practice*
- **First report of Committee B**  
Document A63/62 containing eight resolutions entitled:
  - *Financial report and audited financial statements for the period 1 January 2008 – 31 December 2009*
  - *Scale of assessments 2010–2011*
  - *Safety and security of staff and premises*
  - *The Capital Master Plan*
  - *Report of the External Auditor*
  - *Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General*
  - *Partnerships*
  - *Agreements with intergovernmental organizations*
 and one decision entitled:
  - *Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee*
- **Fifth report of Committee A**
- **Second report of Committee B**

**Item 9      Closure of the Health Assembly**

## II. Report of meetings

### Eighth meeting of Committee A

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Chairman: Dr Masato Mugitani (Japan)

Later: Mr Udo Scholten (Germany), Vice-Chairman

#### **Draft third report of Committee A**

The Chairman invited the Rapporteur (Dr Praveen Mishra [Nepal]) to read out the draft third report of Committee A, document (Draft) A63/63, containing one resolution entitled *Advancing food safety initiatives*.

The resolution was approved and the third draft report of Committee A was adopted.

#### **Item 11 (continued) Technical and health matters**

##### **Item 11.10 – Strategies to reduce the harmful use of alcohol**

The Chairman opened the subitem and drew the Committee's attention to the draft resolution EB126.R11 *Strategies to reduce the harmful use of alcohol*, contained in document EB126/2010/REC/1. Thirty-three delegations took the floor, one of whom proposed one amendment. The observer from Chinese Taipei and three nongovernmental organizations made statements. The Secretariat responded to issues raised and read out the proposed amendment. The draft resolution was approved as amended.

##### **Item 11.20 (continued) – Counterfeit medical products**

The Chairman reopened the subitem and after a short debate the Committee agreed to postpone discussion of this subitem to give more time to informal consultations. The meeting was adjourned.

##### **Item 11.9 (continued) – Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases: implementation of the global strategy**

Discussion of this subitem continued with 15 delegations taking the floor. The meeting was adjourned.

### Ninth meeting of Committee A

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Chairman: Dr Masato Mugitani (Japan)

#### **Item 11 (continued) Technical and health matters**

##### **Item 11.9 (continued) – Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases: implementation of the global strategy**

The Chairman reopened the subitem and gave the floor to 15 delegations, to the observer from Chinese Taipei, to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and to nine nongovernmental organizations. The Secretariat responded to issues raised and read out the amendments. Resolution *Marketing of food and non-alcoholic beverages to children* contained in document A63/A/Conf.Paper No.1 was approved as amended.

##### **Item 11.11 – Tuberculosis control**

- Progress and long-term planning
- Prevention and control of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis

The Chairman opened the subitem and drew the Committee's attention to document A63/14. Ten delegations took the floor, some of whom proposed the suspension of the debate on this agenda subitem.

## Tenth meeting of Committee A

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Chairman: Dr Masato Mugitani (Japan)

### Item 11 (continued) **Technical and health matters**

Item 11.11

- Tuberculosis control
  - Progress and long-term planning
  - Prevention and control of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis

The Chairman resumed the debate on this subitem and gave the floor to 19 delegations, to the observer from Chinese Taipei and to one nongovernmental organization. The Secretariat responded to the issues raised.

The report of the secretariat contained in document A63/14 was noted and the subitem was closed.

Item 11.5 (continued) – International recruitment of health personnel: draft global code of practice

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited the Chairman of the drafting group to report on the work of the drafting group and read out the revisions made to document A63/A/Conf.Paper No.11. The Committee approved the draft resolution by consensus.

Item 11.12

- Viral hepatitis

The Chairman drew the Committee's attention to documents A63/15, draft resolution EB126.R16 contained in document EB126/2010/REC/1 and opened the floor for discussion. Fifteen delegations took the floor, three of which requested amendments. The observer from Chinese Taipei and one nongovernmental organizations were invited to speak after which the Secretariat responded to questions raised. The Committee agreed that consideration of this subitem resume once the amended draft resolution is available to Committee members. The subitem was suspended.

Item 11.4 (continued) – Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals

The Chairman reopened the subitem and drew the attention of the Committee to the two draft resolutions for consideration: EB126.R4 *Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals*, and draft resolution *WHO HIV/AIDS Strategy for 2011-2015* contained in document A63/A/Conf.Paper No.2 Rev.1.

Draft resolution *Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals* was approved as amended.

The Chairman then invited the Committee to approve the revised draft resolution *WHO HIV/AIDS Strategy for 2011-2015*. Three delegations took the floor and requested amendments. The subitem was suspended and the meeting was adjourned.

## Fourth meeting of Committee B

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Chairman: Dr Wimal Jayantha (Sri Lanka)

### Item 11 (continued) **Technical and health matters** (*Subitems transferred from Committee A*)

Item 11.14 (continued) – Chagas disease: control and elimination

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. Eight delegations took part in the debate, four of which requested amendments to the draft resolution. The Chairman suggested that this subitem remain open so that delegations could amend the draft resolution for consideration at a subsequent meeting.

Item 11.15 (continued) – Global eradication of measles

The Chairman reopened the subitem. Fifteen delegations took the floor, followed by two observers and a nongovernmental organization. The Secretariat responded to questions raised. The Committee noted the report and the proposed targets for 2015 contained in document A63/18.

Item 11.16 – Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks

The Chairman opened the subitem and eleven delegations took the floor. The Secretariat responded to the questions raised. The Committee noted the report contained in document A63/19.

Item 11.17 – Availability, safety and quality of blood products

The Chairman opened the subitem and 13 delegations took the floor. Discussion on this subitem was suspended and the meeting was adjourned.

#### Fifth meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Dr Wimal Jayantha (Sri Lanka)

**Item 17 (continued) Staffing matters**

Item 17.1 (continued) – The election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited the Legal Counsel to introduce the proposed draft resolution contained in document A63/B/Conf.Paper No.2. Seventy-six delegations took the floor, four of whom proposed amendments. The Secretariat responded to the questions raised. The meeting was adjourned.

#### Sixth meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Dr Wimal Jayantha (Sri Lanka)

**Item 17 (continued) Staffing matters**

Item 17.1 (continued) – The election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization

The Secretariat distributed copies of a white paper showing the amendments to the draft resolution contained in document A63/B/Conf.Paper No.2 proposed during the fifth meeting of Committee B. The Chairman reopened the subitem and one amendment was withdrawn. Twenty-two delegations took the floor, of which seven raised points of order. One delegation raised a motion to suspend the meeting for 30 minutes to allow sufficient time to consider the amendments, and the motion was carried through a vote by show of hands.

The meeting reconvened and the Chairman outlined the process for a vote on the draft resolution contained in A63/B/Conf.Paper No. 2. Twelve delegations took the floor, of which one raised a point of order, and the Secretariat responded to questions raised. Three proposed amendments to the first operative paragraph were considered and voted on through a show of hands. The amendment proposed by Canada was defeated with 57 votes in favour, 59 votes against and 5 abstentions. The amendment proposed by Thailand was defeated with 3 votes in favour, 96 votes against and 14 abstentions. The amendment proposed by Ghana was carried with 58 votes in favour, 56 votes against and 5 abstentions.

Two proposed amendments to the third operative paragraph were considered and voted on through a show of hands. The amendment proposed by Canada was carried with 60 votes in favour, 59 votes against and 4 abstentions. The second amendment proposed by Ghana was not voted in view of the adoption of the first amendment.

A further 25 delegations took the floor following the vote, of which four raised points of order. The Secretariat responded to additional questions raised.

The discussion of this subitem will resume at the next meeting of Committee B. The meeting was adjourned.

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## Seventh plenary meeting

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In the chair: Mr Mondher Zenaïdi (Tunisia)  
President of the Sixty-third World Health Assembly

### Item 7

#### Awards

The President welcomed the distinguished recipients of the prizes, as well as Professor Kenzo Kiikuni, Chair of the Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation, representing the Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation; His Excellency, Obaid Salem Saeed Al Zaabi, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the United Nations Office and other Specialized Agencies at Geneva, Representing the Founder of the United Arab Emirates Health Foundation; Dr Han Kwang-su, President of the Korean Foundation for International Health Care, representing the Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health.

- **Sasakawa Health Prize**

The President invited Professor Kenzo Kiikuni to address the Health Assembly, on behalf of the Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation.

The President announced that the 2010 Sasakawa Health Prize has been awarded to Dr Xueping Du, Director of the YueTan Community Health Service Center of FuXing Hospital, affiliated to the Capital Medical University.

Dr Xueping Du has been nominated by the Ministry of Health of China for contributing, since 1994, in a pioneering manner, to the development of general medicine in China, thus ensuring it has become an important discipline in the Chinese health-care system.

Dr Xueping Du received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

- **United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize**

The President announced that the 2010 United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize was awarded jointly to the National Center for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Genetics, (Jordan) and the Early Childhood Intervention Programme, Regional Administration of Health of Alentejo, (Portugal).

The National Center for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Genetics is attached to the Higher Council for Science and Technology in Jordan, and its team provides care for about 35 000 patients.

The Early Childhood Intervention Programme is part of the implementation of the National Health Plan in Alentejo, Portugal, which responds to the reorganization of the health system through grouping health-care centres.

At the invitation of the President, His Excellency, Obaid Salem Saeed Al Zaabi, representing the Founder of the United Arab Emirates Health Foundation, addressed the Health Assembly.



Professor Kamel Ajlouni, representing the National Center for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Genetics of Jordan, received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

Mrs Rosa Valente de Matos Zorrinho, representing the Early Childhood Intervention Programme, Regional Administration of Health of Alentejo of Portugal, received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

• **Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health**

The President announced that the 2009 Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health has been awarded to Action for Aids, Singapore, represented by its President, Professor Roy Chan.

Action for AIDS Singapore is a voluntary, community-based organization, formed in 1988, and registered as a charity since 1994.

At the invitation of the President, Dr Han Kwang-su, President of the Korean Foundation for International Health Care, addressed the Assembly on behalf of the Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Fund.

Professor Roy Chan, President of Action for Aids, Singapore, received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

**Item 6**

**Executive Board: election (document A63/61)**

The Health Assembly accepted the list of 12 Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board as drawn up by the General Committee in accordance with Rule 100 of the Rules of Procedure. The following were therefore declared elected:

Armenia	Mozambique
Barbados	Norway
China	Seychelles
Ecuador	Timor-Leste
Mongolia	United States of America
Morocco	Yemen

The President invited the Members to pay due regard to the provisions of Article 24 of the Constitution when appointing a person to serve on the Executive Board.

**Item 8 (continued)**

**Reports of the main committees**

– **Second report of Committee A (document A63/59)**

The Health Assembly considered the second report of Committee A containing the following resolution:

- *Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan*

The resolution was adopted and the second report of Committee A was approved by the Health Assembly.

– **Third report of Committee A (document A63/63)**

The Health Assembly considered the third report of Committee A containing the following resolution:

- *Advancing food safety initiatives*

The resolution was adopted and the third report of Committee A was approved by the Health Assembly.

### III. Other meetings

The Secretariat has been advised that the following meetings will take place during the Sixty-third World Health Assembly:

#### Friday, 21 May 2010

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08:00–09:00 Room XVI	Meeting of the Ministers of Health of the African Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
08:00–09:00 Room VII	Coordination meeting of Member States of the Region of the Americas.
08:00–09:00 Room XXII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the European Union.
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the Eastern Mediterranean Region. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, English and French.</i>
08:30–09:30 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the Western Pacific Region.
13:30–14:30 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the South-East Asia Region.

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