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## Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly

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### Programme of meetings for Thursday, 24 May 2012

Time	Plenary Assembly Hall	Committee A Rooms XVIII and XVII*
09:00		Fifth meeting
14:30		Sixth meeting
17:00	Eighth meeting	
18:30–21:30		Seventh meeting

\* In room XVII, video broadcast with audio in English only.

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### Informal drafting group meetings

Item 13.14 Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination  
*The drafting group will meet on Thursday, 24 May from 13:00 to 16:00 and from 17:30 to 22:00 in room XII.*

### 131st session of the Executive Board – Monday 28 May 2012

<b>Venue:</b>	World Health Organization headquarters, Executive Board Room.
<b>Credentials:</b>	Delegates are reminded to send their credentials to the Office of the Governing Bodies as soon as possible (Fax No. 022 791 4173).
<b>Registration:</b>	Members of the Executive Board, alternates, advisers, and representatives of Member States and other organizations attending the 131st session of the Executive Board may collect their badges at the Palais des Nations, in the lobby near Committees A and B, on the 1st floor of the E building: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Friday 25 May: 14:00–18:00</li> <li>– Saturday 26 May: 08:00 until 30 minutes before the closure of the plenary session but no later than 18:00</li> </ul> and at WHO Headquarters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Saturday 26 May: after the closure of the Health Assembly until 18:00</li> <li>– Monday 28 May: 07:30–17:30</li> <li>– Tuesday 29 May: 08:30 until the end of the session.</li> </ul>
<b>Documents:</b>	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.
<b>Working hours:</b>	09:30–12:30 and 14:30–17:30

## I. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

**Thursday, 24 May 2012**

**Fifth and sixth meetings of Committee A**

**Rooms XVIII and XVII\* – 09:00 and 14:30**

**Item 12 WHO reform**

Documents A65/5, A65/5 Add.1, A65/5 Add.2, A65/5 Add.3, A65/40, A65/43 and A65/INF.DOC./6

**Eighth plenary meeting**

**17:00**

**Item 8 Awards**

**Seventh meeting of Committee A (evening session)**

**Room XVIII – 18:30–21:30**

**Item 13 (continued) Technical and health matters**

Item 13.1 (continued) – Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases

- Outcomes of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases and the First Global Ministerial Conference on Healthy Lifestyles and Noncommunicable Disease Control

Documents A65/6, A65/6 Add.1, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.3 Rev.1 and A65/A/Conf.Paper No.3 Rev.1 Add.1

Item 13.3 (continued) – Nutrition

- Maternal, infant and young child nutrition  
Documents A65/11, A65/11 Corr.1, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.6 and A65/A/Conf.Paper No.7
- Nutrition of women in the preconception period, during pregnancy and the breastfeeding period  
Document A65/12

**If time permits**

Item 13.4 – Early marriages, adolescent and young pregnancies  
Document A65/13

Item 13.5 – Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals

- Progress in the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals, and global health goals after 2015  
Document A65/14
- Implementation of the recommendations of the Commission on Information and Accountability for Women's and Children's Health  
Documents A65/15 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R3

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**Friday, 25 May 2012**

<b>Ninth plenary meeting</b>	<b>09:00</b>
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**Item 7                      Executive Board: election**

Document A65/52

**Item 9                      Reports of the main committees**

Documents A65/59 and A65/53

<b>Eighth and ninth meetings of Committee A</b>	<b>Room XVIII – After conclusion of item 9 in plenary and at 14:30</b>
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**Item 13 (continued)      Technical and health matters**

Item 13.14 (continued) – Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination

Documents A65/24, A65/24 Corr.1, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.1, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.2, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.4 and A65/A/Conf.Paper No.5

Item 13.6 – Social determinants of health: outcome of the World Conference on Social Determinants of Health (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, October 2011)

Documents A65/16 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R11

Item 13.7 – Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

Documents A65/17, A65/17 Corr.1, A65/17 Add.1, A65/17 Add.2 and A65/17 Add.3

Item 13.8 – Global mass gatherings: implications and opportunities for global health security  
Document A65/18

Item 13.9 – Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits: report on the work of the Advisory Group  
Document A65/19

Item 13.10 – Poliomyelitis: intensification of the global eradication initiative  
Documents A65/20 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R10

Item 13.11 – Elimination of schistosomiasis  
Documents A65/21 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R9

Item 13.12 – Draft global vaccine action plan  
Documents A65/22, A65/22 Add.1 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R12

Item 13.13 – Substandard/spurious/falsely-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products: report of the Working Group of Member States  
Documents A65/23 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R13

- **Draft first report of Committee B**  
Document (Draft) A65/53, containing five resolutions entitled:
  - *Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan*
  - *Financial report and audited financial statements for the period 1 January 2010 – 31 December 2011*
  - *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*
  - *Special arrangements for settlement of arrears*
  - *Report of the External Auditor*
- Item 17 (continued) Audit and oversight matters**
- Item 17.2 – Report of the Internal Auditor  
Documents A65/33 and A65/48
- Item 18 Staffing matters**
- Item 18.1 – Human resources: annual report  
Documents A65/34 and A65/49
- Item 18.2 – Report of the International Civil Service Commission  
Document A65/35
- Item 18.3 – Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules  
Documents A65/36 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R16
- Item 18.4 – Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee  
Document A65/37

- Item 13 (continued) Technical and health matters**
- Item 13.15 – WHO's response, and role as the health cluster lead, in meeting the growing demands of health in humanitarian emergencies  
Documents A65/25 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R14
- Item 13.16 – Progress reports  
Document A65/26
- Health systems and research**
  - A. Health system strengthening (resolutions WHA64.9, WHA64.8, WHA63.27, WHA62.12 and WHA60.27)
  - B. WHO's role and responsibilities in health research (resolution WHA63.21)
  - C. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property (resolution WHA61.21)
- Disease eradication, prevention and control**
  - D. Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks (resolution WHA60.1)
  - E. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16)
  - F. Chagas disease: control and elimination (resolution WHA63.20)

- G. Viral hepatitis (resolution WHA63.18)
- H. Prevention and control of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis (resolution WHA62.15)
- I. Cholera: mechanisms for control and prevention (resolution WHA64.15)
- J. Control of human African trypanosomiasis (resolution WHA57.2)
- K. Global health sector strategy on HIV/AIDS, 2011–2015 (resolution WHA64.14)
- L. Prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections: global strategy (resolution WHA59.19)

**Other**

- M. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (resolution WHA57.12)
- N. Advancing food safety initiatives (resolution WHA63.3)
- O. Climate change and health (resolutions EB124.R5 and WHA61.19)
- P. Partnerships (resolution WHA63.10)
- Q. Multilingualism: implementation of action plan (resolution WHA61.12)

Fifth meeting of Committee B (evening session)		Room XVII – 18:30–21:30
<b>Item 19</b>	<b>Management and legal matters</b>	
Item 19.1	– Election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization: report of the Working Group Document A65/38	
Item 19.2	– Agreements with intergovernmental organizations Document A65/42	
<b>Item 20</b>	<b>Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations</b> Document A65/39	

**Saturday, 26 May 2012**

Eleventh meeting of Committee A		09:00
<b>Finalization of resolutions and reports</b>		
Sixth meeting of Committee B		09:00
<b>Finalization of resolutions and reports</b>		
Tenth plenary meeting		Immediately following the closure of Committees A and B
<b>Item 9 (continued)</b>	<b>Reports of the main committees</b>	
<b>Item 10</b>	<b>Closure of the Health Assembly</b>	

## II. Report of meetings

### Sixth plenary meeting

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In the chair: Professor Ali Ghuftron Mukti (Indonesia)  
Third Vice-President of the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly

Later: Professor Thérèse N'Dri-Yoman (Côte d'Ivoire)  
President of the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly

– Report of the Committee on Credentials

The President presented the report of the Committee on Credentials (document A65/51) which was approved by the Health Assembly.

### Item 3 (continued) **General discussion**

The President resumed consideration of item 3 and invited to the rostrum the delegates of Tonga (who spoke on behalf of the Pacific Island Countries), Nicaragua, Maldives, Mozambique, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Burundi, Niger, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Solomon Islands, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Belarus, Chad, Turkey and representatives of the African Union, the Holy See, Chinese Taipei, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the Order of Malta.

### Fourth meeting of Committee A

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Chairman: Dr Zangley Dukpa (Bhutan)

Later: Mr Herbert Barnard (Netherlands), Vice-Chairman

### – **Draft first report of Committee A**

The Chairman opened the meeting and invited the Rapporteur (Dr Mohamed Jiddawi [United Republic of Tanzania]) to read out the first draft report of Committee A, document (draft) A65/50, containing two resolutions entitled:

- *Strengthening noncommunicable disease policies to promote active ageing*
- *The global burden of mental disorders and the need for a comprehensive, coordinated response from health and social sectors at the country level*

The resolutions were approved and the first report of Committee A was adopted.

### Item 13 (continued) **Technical and health matters**

Item 13.14 – Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination

The Chairman opened the subitem. Due to the number of Conference Papers under consideration, the Chairman suggested that a drafting group convene to discuss the draft resolutions. The Committee approved this proposal and discussion of the subitem was suspended.

Item 13.3 – Nutrition

- Maternal, infant and young child nutrition
- Nutrition of women in the preconception period, during pregnancy and the breastfeeding period

The subitem was opened and, at the invitation of the Chairman, a draft decision *Nutrition: maternal, infant and young child nutrition: draft comprehensive implementation* was introduced by Canada on behalf of the cosponsors. Discussion of the subitem was suspended.

## First meeting of Committee B

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Chairman: Dr Mohammad Hossein Nicknam (Islamic Republic of Iran)

Later: Professor Charles Kondi Agba (Togo)

### Item 14 **Opening of the Committee**

In accordance with Rule 34 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the Committee elected Charles Kondi Agba (Togo) and Dr Enrique Tayag (Philippines) as Vice-Chairmen, and Paul Gully (Canada) as Rapporteur.

### Item 16 **Programme budget and financial matters**

#### Item 16.1 – Programme budget 2010-2011: performance assessment

The Chairman invited the Chair of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee (PBAC) of the Executive Board to inform the Committee of the discussions that took place at the May 2012 session of the Board. The Committee noted the report contained in document A65/28.

### Item 15 **Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan**

The Chairman opened this item and introduced the draft resolution contained in document A65/B/Conf.Paper No.1. *Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan*. In accordance with Rule 72 of the Rules of Procedure, a roll-call vote was requested. Due to lack of quorum, the meeting was adjourned.

## Seventh plenary meeting

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In the chair: Professor Thérèse N'Dri-Yoman (Côte d'Ivoire)  
President of the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly

### Item 4 **Director-General** (*private session followed by a public session*)

#### Item 4.1 – Appointment

#### Item 4.2 – Approval of contract

The President announced the election of Dr Margaret Chan to the position of Director-General of the World Health Organization for a second term and read out the resolution approving the contract of the Director-General. At the invitation of the President, the delegates of Senegal (who spoke on behalf of the African Region), Peru (who spoke on behalf of the Region of the Americas), Oman (who spoke on behalf of the Eastern Mediterranean Region), Netherlands (who spoke on behalf of the European Region), Bhutan (who spoke on behalf of the South-East Asia Region), Japan (who spoke on behalf of the Western Pacific Region) and China made statements.

The Director-General signed the contract then addressed the Health Assembly.

Chairman: Professor Charles Kondi Agba (Togo)  
Later: Dr Enrique Tayag (Philippines)  
Later: Dr Mohammad Hossein Nicknam (Islamic Republic of Iran)

**Item 15 (continued) Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan**

The Chairman reopened this item. A roll-call vote was taken. The vote resulted in 56 votes in favour to 6 votes against, with 48 abstentions and 72 Member States absent as follows:

**Votes in favour:** Algeria; Argentina; Azerbaijan; Bahrain; Bangladesh; Belarus; Bolivia (Plurinational State of); Botswana; Brazil; Brunei Darussalam; Burundi; Chile; China; Congo; Costa Rica; Cuba; Ecuador; Egypt; Georgia; Guatemala; Indonesia; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Iraq; Jamaica; Jordan; Kazakhstan; Kuwait; Lebanon; Libya; Malaysia; Maldives; Mexico; Monaco; Morocco; Mozambique; Namibia; Nicaragua; Oman; Pakistan; Paraguay; Peru; Philippines; Qatar; Russian Federation; Saudi Arabia; Senegal; Serbia; South Africa; Syrian Arab Republic; Tunisia; Turkey; United Arab Emirates; Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of); Viet Nam; Yemen; Zambia.

**Votes against:** Australia; Canada; Israel; Micronesia (Federated States of); New Zealand; United States of America.

**Abstentions:** Armenia; Austria; Belgium; Bhutan; Bosnia and Herzegovina; Bulgaria; Cape Verde; Colombia; Côte d'Ivoire; Cyprus; Czech Republic; Denmark; Estonia; Finland; France; Germany; Ghana; Greece; Honduras; Hungary; Iceland; India; Ireland; Italy; Japan; Latvia; Lithuania; Luxembourg; Malta; Netherlands; Norway; Panama; Poland; Portugal; Republic of Korea; Romania; San Marino; Sao Tome and Principe; Singapore; Slovakia; Slovenia; Spain; Sweden; Switzerland; Thailand; The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; Ukraine; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

**Absent:** Afghanistan; Albania; Andorra; Angola; Bahamas; Barbados; Benin; Burkina Faso; Cambodia; Cameroon; Chad; Cook Islands; Croatia; Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Democratic Republic of the Congo; Djibouti; Dominica; Dominican Republic; El Salvador; Equatorial Guinea; Eritrea; Ethiopia; Fiji; Gabon; Gambia; Guinea; Guyana; Haiti; Kenya; Kiribati; Kyrgyzstan; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Lesotho; Liberia; Madagascar; Malawi; Mali; Marshall Islands; Mauritania; Mauritius; Mongolia; Montenegro; Myanmar; Nauru; Nepal; Niger; Nigeria; Palau; Papua New Guinea; Republic of Moldova; Rwanda; Saint Kitts and Nevis; Samoa; Seychelles; Sierra Leone; Solomon Islands; South Sudan; Sri Lanka; Sudan; Swaziland; Timor-Leste; Togo; Tonga; Trinidad and Tobago; Turkmenistan; Tuvalu; Uganda; United Republic of Tanzania; Uruguay; Uzbekistan; Vanuatu; Zimbabwe.

Seven delegates gave explanations of vote under Rule 75 of the Rules of Procedure. Palestine also made a statement.



**Item 16 (continued)      Programme budget and financial matters**

- Item 16.2                      – Financial report and audited financial statements for the period 1 January 2010 - 31 December 2011

The Chair of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board informed the Committee of the PBAC's discussion on this subitem. The Committee approved the draft resolution contained in document A65/45.

- Item 16.3                      – 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

The Chairman informed the Committee that Guinea has paid its contribution and is no longer affected by Article 7 for arrears. The Committee approved draft resolution 1 as amended and draft resolution 2 contained in document A65/46.

- Item 16.5                      – Assessment of new Members and Associate Members

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Committee noted the report.

**Item 17                      Audit and oversight matters**

- Item 17.1                      – Report of the External Auditor

The Chair of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee was invited to report on the PBAC's discussion on this subitem. The floor was then given to the External Auditor. The Committee approved the draft resolution contained in document A65/47.

The meeting was adjourned.

### III. Other meetings

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

#### Thursday, 24 May 2012

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08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, English and French.</i>
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
08:30–08:50 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French, German and Russian.</i>
12:15–13:45 Room XXIII	Social Determinants of Health: building capacity to achieve health equity. Organized by the delegation of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.</i>
12:30–14:00 Room IX	Health systems development – strengthening capacity through partnerships. Organized by the delegation of Australia in collaboration with the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB).
12:30–14:00 Room IV	Empowering patients in pharmacovigilance: first results from interregional consortium. Organized by a consortium of countries in collaboration with the WHO Secretariat, Department of Essential Medicines and Health Products (EMP).
12:45–14:15 Room XXIV	Family planning, reproductive health and child survival: addressing unmet needs. Organized by the WHO Secretariat, Cluster of Family, Women's and Children's Health. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French and Spanish.</i>
13:20–14:20 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
17:30–18:30 Room IX	Evening meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
17:45–19:00 Room IV	Follow-up meeting on universal coverage. Organized by the delegation of Mexico.
17:45–19:15 Room XXII	African Partnerships for Patient Safety: Learning together for change! <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
17:45–19:45 Room VIII	Health worker migration innovations awards. Organized by the WHO Secretariat in collaboration with the Health Worker Migration Council.

## Friday, 25 May 2012

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08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
08:00–08:45 Room XXIV	Coordination meeting of the Western European and Others Group (WEOG).
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, English and French.</i>
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
08:30–08:50 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French, German and Russian.</i>
12:30–14:00 Room XII	How to improve the voice of the implementers of the Global Fund. Organized by the delegation of the Republic of the Sudan. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
12:45–14:15 Room IV	Healthier hospitals for healthier people (chemicals – with a focus on mercury). Organized by the delegation of Uruguay.
13:20–14:20 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
17:30–18:30 Room IX	Evening meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.

## Saturday, 26 May 2012

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08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
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08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
08:30–08:50 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French, German and Russian.</i>
13:20–14:20 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.

## IV. Announcements

### Facilities

A business centre for delegates to the Health Assembly is available in Room A.821 for word processing and photocopying needs.

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- World Health Assembly and Executive Board documentation: <http://www.who.int/gb/index.html>

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