Second report of Committee B

(Draft)

Committee B held its second and third meetings on 22 May 2014 under the chairmanship of Dr Ruhakana Rugunda (Uganda) and Dr Siale Akauola (Tonga).

It was decided to recommend to the Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly the adoption of the attached resolutions and decisions relating to the following agenda items:

21. Audit and oversight matters
   21.1 Report of the External Auditor
        One resolution

22. Staffing matters
   22.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules
        One resolution entitled:
        – Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General
   22.4 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee
        One decision

23. Management and legal matters
   23.2 Real estate: update on the Geneva buildings renovation strategy
        One decision
Agenda item 21.1

Report of the External Auditor

The Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly,

Having considered the report of the External Auditor to the Health Assembly;¹

Having noted the report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board to the Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly,²

ACCEPTS the report of the External Auditor to the Health Assembly.

¹ Document A67/45.
² Document A67/58.
Agenda item 22.3

Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General

The Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly,

Noting the recommendations of the Executive Board with regard to the remuneration of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General,¹

1. ESTABLISHES the salaries of assistant directors-general and regional directors at US$ 172 436 gross per annum with a corresponding net salary of US$ 134 205 (dependency rate) or US$ 121 527 (single rate);

2. ESTABLISHES the salary of the Deputy Director-General at US$ 189 744 gross per annum with a corresponding net salary of US$ 146 321 (dependency rate) or US$ 131 682 (single rate);

3. ESTABLISHES the salary of the Director-General at US$ 252 055 gross per annum with a corresponding net salary of US$ 176 836 (dependency rate) or US$ 157 262 (single rate);

4. DECIDES that those adjustments in remuneration shall take effect on 1 January 2014.

¹ Document A67/49.
Agenda item 22.4

Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

The Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly nominated Dr Ebenezer Appiah-Denkyira of the delegation of Ghana as a member for a three-year term until May 2017 and the most senior alternate member, Dr Michel Tailhades of the delegation of Switzerland, as a member for the remainder of his term of office until May 2015.

The Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly also nominated Dr Darren Hunt of the delegation of New Zealand and Dr Mariam A. Al-Jalahma of the delegation of Bahrain as alternate members of the WHO Staff Pension Committee for a three-year term until May 2017.

1 Document A67/50.
Agenda item 23.2

Real estate: update on the Geneva buildings renovation strategy

The Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly,

Having considered the report on real estate: update on the Geneva buildings renovation strategy;¹

Having noted the report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board to the Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly,²

(1) noted the updated Geneva buildings renovation strategy;

(2) authorized the Director-General to proceed with the initial planning phase, including the organization of an architectural competition;

(3) expressed its appreciation to the Government of Switzerland for its offer to provide an initial interest-free loan of 14 million Swiss francs for planning purposes;

(4) requested the Director-General:

(1) to accept this initial loan subject to the conditions described in paragraphs 10–12 of the report on real estate: update on the Geneva buildings renovation strategy,¹ and to continue to plan the site-wide renovation project;

(2) to present to the Sixty-eighth World Health Assembly the selected design for the new building with an outline of the building specifications and a detailed financial update of the entire renovation strategy, with the expectation that a final decision will be taken by the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly regarding approval of the final project and acceptance of the full loan for the construction of the new building and initiation of construction work, subject to the Swiss federal authorities’ final approval of the full loan in December 2016.

¹ Document A67/52.
² Document A67/61.