Follow-up of the report of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination

Draft decision proposed by the delegation of France

The Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly, having considered the follow-up report reports of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development Financing and Coordination;¹

(1) noted welcomed the progress made in implementation of resolution WHA66.22 and decision EB134(5);

(2) recognized endorsed the indicators to measure success in implementing the health research and development demonstration projects and requested the addition of an analysis of the extent of innovative components being implemented by the projects including financing, the use of open access models, multisectoral research platforms, and delinkage, among other criteria;

(3) requested the Director-General to expedite the process of the remaining four projects, in addition to the four already agreed, and to report progress to the 136th session of the Executive Board; and

(4) noted among other options, the assessment of the noted, without prejudice to future discussions in the context of CEWG recommendations and actions on other sustainable mechanisms for financing health research and development, the assessment made by the Secretariat and the possibility of using an existing mechanism to host a pooled fund for voluntary contributions towards research and development for diseases that disproportionately affect type III and II diseases and the specific research and development needs of developing countries, and requested in relation to type I diseases;

(5) requested the Director-General to further explore this option with TDR, take appropriate action and submit a report to including the Sixty-eighth World Health Assembly following elements:

- recognizing that the scope of the diseases should not be limited to type III diseases but should be in line with the GSPA PHI mandate;

– recognizing the need for a sustainable financial mechanism for health R&D;

– recognizing the role of Member States in the governance of the coordination mechanism;

(6) requested the Director-General to report to the Sixty-eighth World Health Assembly through the 136th session of the Executive Board with reference to this decision.