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Programme of meetings for Monday, 27 May 2019

Time	Committee A <i>Room XVIII</i>	Committee B <i>Room XVII</i>
09:00	Eleventh meeting	Seventh meeting
14:30	Twelfth meeting	Eighth meeting

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Drafting group Room XXIV 09:00-12:00

Item 11.7 Access to medicines and vaccines

Proposed draft resolution on: Improving the transparency of markets for medicines, vaccines, and other health-related products and other technologies.

(Document A72/A/CONF./2)

145th session of the Executive Board, 29–30 May 2019, WHO headquarters – Executive Board room

Please note the following administrative arrangements:

Online registration	Online registration for the 145th session of the Executive Board is required and is open until the end of the session (30 May 2019). Information pertaining to the online registration can be found at: http://www.who.int/governance/registration/en/index.html .
Badges	Badges for Members of the Board, their alternates and advisers, and representatives of Member States and organizations invited to attend, will be issued at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – the Palais, distribution desk in front of the documentation desk in the Concordia area between Doors 13 and 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday, 27 May: 08:00 – 17:00 Tuesday, 28 May: 08:00 until the closure of plenary but not later than 18:00 – WHO headquarters main lobby <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday, 29 May: 07:30 – 17:30 Tuesday, 30 May: 08:00 until the end of the session
Working hours	09:30 – 12:30 and 14:30 – 17:30

1. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

Monday, 27 May 2019

Eleventh and Twelfth meetings of Committee A

Room XVIII – 09:00 and 14:30

- **Draft fifth report of Committee A**
Document (Draft) A72/78 containing two resolutions entitled:
 - *Global action on patient safety*
 - *Water, sanitation and hygiene in health care facilities*
- Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters**
- Item 12.10 (continued) – The public health implications of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol
Documents A72/32, A72/A/CONF./3 and A72/A/CONF./3 Add.1
- Item 12.4 (continued) – Promoting the health of refugees and migrants
Document A72/25 Rev.1
- Item 11 (continued) Strategic priority matters**
- Item 11.7 (continued) – Access to medicines and vaccines
Documents A72/17 and A72/A/CONF./2
- Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters**
- Item 12.3 – Human resources for health
Documents A72/23 and A72/24

Seventh and eighth meetings of Committee B

Room XVII – 09:00 and 14:30

- **Draft fourth report of Committee B**
Document (Draft) A72/77 containing two resolutions entitled:
 - *Eleventh revision of the International Classification of Diseases*
 - *Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring the timely care for the acutely ill and injured*
- Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters [Item transferred from Committee A]**
- Item 12.6 – Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks
Document A72/28
- Item 21 (continued) Matters for information**
- Item 21.3 (continued) – Progress reports
Document A72/59
 - F. Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (resolution WHA60.25 (2007))
 - G. The role of the health sector in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management towards the 2020 goal and beyond (decision WHA70(23) (2017))
 - H. Regulatory system strengthening for medical products (resolution WHA67.20 (2014))
 - I. Progress in the rational use of medicines (resolution WHA60.16 (2007))
 - J. Traditional medicine (resolution WHA67.18 (2014))
- Finalization of resolutions and reports**

Finalization of resolutions and reports

Seventh plenary meeting

Assembly Hall – Immediately following the closure of Committee A

Item 8 (continued)

Reports of the main committees

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Draft second report of Committee B

Document (Draft) A72/73 containing two decisions entitled:

- *Report of the External Auditor*
- *WHO Programmatic and financial reports for 2018–2019, including audited financial statements for 2018*

and four resolutions entitled:

- *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: Central African Republic*
- *Appointment of the External Auditor*
- *Scale of assessments for 2020–2021*

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Draft third report of Committee A

Document (Draft) A72/74 containing two decisions entitled:

- *WHO global strategy on health, environment and climate change: the transformation needed to improve lives and well-being sustainably through healthy environments*
- *Plan of action on climate change and health in small island developing States*

and one resolution entitled:

- *Antimicrobial resistance*

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Draft third report of Committee B

Document (Draft) A72/75 containing four decisions entitled:

- *Human resources: annual report*
- *Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee*
- *2020: International Year of the Nurse and the Midwife*
- *World Chagas Disease Day*

and three decisions entitled:

- *WHO reform: amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly*

and two resolutions entitled:

- *Salaries of staff in ungraded positions and of the Director-General*
- *Special arrangements for settlement of arrears: Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*

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Draft fourth report of Committee A

Document (Draft) A72/76 containing two decisions entitled:

- *Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases*
- *Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Framework for the sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits*

Item 9

Closure of the Health Assembly

2. Report of meetings

Tenth meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Dr Silvia Paula Valentim Lutucuta (Angola)

Later: Dr Yasuhiro Suzuki (Japan) Vice-Chairman

Draft fourth report of Committee A

The Chairman called upon the Rapporteur (Ms Laura Bordón [Paraguay]) to read out the fourth draft report of Committee A, document (draft) A72/76 containing two decisions entitled:

- *Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases*
- *Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Framework for the sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits*

The decisions were approved and the draft report was adopted.

Item 12 (continued) Other technical matters

Item 12.5 Patient safety

The Chair opened the agenda subitem 12.5 and proposed that the two bullet points under this subitem be considered separately. The Committee agreed with the proposal.

- Global action on patient safety

The Chair opened the first bullet point and invited the Committee to consider the draft resolution EB144.R12: *Global action on patient safety* contained in document EB144/2019/REC/1. Comments were invited from the floor and the Secretariat responded to issues raised. At the invitation of the Chair, the Secretariat read out the proposed amendments to the draft resolution, which was approved as amended.

- Water, sanitation and hygiene in health care facilities

The Committee was invited to consider the second bullet point under this item and the draft resolution EB144.R5: *Water, sanitation and hygiene in health care facilities* as contained in document EB144/2019/REC/1. Comments were invited from the floor and the Secretariat responded to issues raised and the draft resolution was approved.

Item 12.10 The public health implications of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

The Chair opened the agenda subitem and invited the Committee to consider the draft decision contained in A72/A/CONF./3. The floor was opened for discussion. The Secretariat read out the proposed amendments. There was a request from the floor for the Secretariat to allocate a room for informal discussions on this subitem. The Chair announced that discussion of this subitem will be deferred to the eleventh session of Committee A.

Item 12.4 Promoting the health of refugees and migrants

The Chair opened the agenda subitem and gave the floor to the Secretariat to provide background information on the process and documentation concerning this subitem. The floor was then opened for discussion.

Sixth meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Dr Karen Gordon-Campbell (Guyana) Vice Chairman

Later: Mr Abdulla Ameen (Maldives) Vice-Chairman

– **Draft third report of Committee B**

The Chairman called upon the Secretariat to read out the third draft report of Committee B, document (draft) A72/75 containing four decisions entitled:

- *Human resources: annual report*
- *Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee*
- *2020: International Year of the Nurse and the Midwife*
- *World Chagas Disease Day*

and three decisions entitled:

- *WHO reform: amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly*

and two resolutions entitled:

- *Salaries of staff in ungraded positions and of the Director-General*
- *Special arrangements for settlement of arrears: Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*

The decisions and resolutions were approved and the draft report was adopted.

Item 12 **Other technical matters** [*Item transferred from Committee A*]

Item 12.7 Eleventh revision of the International Classification of Diseases

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded and the Committee approved the draft resolution contained in document A72/29 Add.1.

Item 12.9 Emergency and trauma care

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded and the Committee approved the draft resolution contained in document A72/A/CONF./1.

Item 12.8 Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016–2030)

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded and the Committee noted the report contained in document A72/30.

Item 21 (continued) **Matters for information**

Item 21.3 Progress reports

The Chairman opened the item and invited comments from the floor. It was announced that discussion on this item will continue at the next meeting of Committee B.

The meeting was adjourned

3. Technical briefing

The following technical briefing will take place during the Seventy-second World Health Assembly.

Monday, 27 May 2019

12:30–14:15 Towards healthier populations: a new vision.
Room XII

4. Side events

The following side events are scheduled to take place during the Seventy-second World Health Assembly.

Monday, 27 May 2019

18:00–18:50 Building resilience and strengthening global health security in crisis-affected settings
Room IX through investing in community health workers. Organized by Amref Health Africa
and International Rescue Committee.

19:00–19:50 Nuclear weapons today: an update of the humanitarian consequences of nuclear war
Room IX and the medical role in preventing it. Organized by International Physicians for the
Prevention of Nuclear War, World Federation of Public Health Associations and
World Medical Association.

5. Other meetings

The Secretariat has been advised that the following meetings will take place during the Seventy-second World Health Assembly.

Monday, 27 May 2019

08:00–08:50 Concordia 4	Nordic Group meeting.
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
08:15–08:45 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region.
13:00–14:00 Concordia 4	Western Europe and Others Group (WEOG) Meeting.

Tuesday, 28 May 2019

08:00–08:50 Concordia 4	Nordic Group meeting.
08:00–08:50 Room IV	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
08:15–08:45 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region.
13:00–14:00 Concordia 4	Western Europe and Others Group (WEOG) Meeting.

6. Arrangements for conduct of discussion in meetings

Interpretation is provided in the official languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) to help delegates follow the discussions. Delegates are requested to send a copy of statements they plan to make to interpret@who.int or to give a paper copy to the conference officers in the room at least 30 minutes before delivery. This does not prevent delegates from making changes on delivery but will facilitate clarity and accuracy in all languages. Under 'Subject' and at the top of the statement please state the name of the country/group, the meeting (e.g. Plenary, Committee A, Committee B, Executive Board) and the relevant agenda item number.

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Non-State actors statements at the Health Assembly

Non-State actors in official relations with WHO may request to speak in Committee A or B of the Health Assembly under a technical item in which they have a particular expertise. Non-State actors wishing to have their name placed on the list of speakers should notify the Secretariat of Partnerships and non-State actors Department (PNA) by email (nsastatements@who.int) latest by 08:00 am of the day of the meeting in question. Non-State actors may submit their statements in advance for the Secretariat to post on a dedicated website and are invited to register at <https://extranet.who.int/nonstateactorsstatements/>. Statements should be limited to 1.5 minutes (200 words).

7. Announcements

Facilities

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

Open access to wireless connection is available in all important common areas in the Palais des Nations.

- World Health Organization web site: <http://www.who.int>
- World Health Assembly and Executive Board documentation: <http://apps.who.int/gb>

WHO information products and souvenirs on sale

The WHO bookshop is located at the Palais des Nations in the new hall “Concordia” between doors 13 and 15. The latest publications and information products issued by WHO and its regional offices are available at a 50% discount. WHO souvenirs are also on display. The bookshop is open Monday to Friday from 09:00 to 16:30 at the Palais des Nations and from 09:00 to 16:30 at WHO headquarters.

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Video streaming

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