

## SEVENTY-THIRD WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY Agenda item 17

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

## Draft decision proposed by the delegations of Cuba, Iraq, Lebanon, Palestine, Qatar, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey

The Seventy-third World Health Assembly, taking note of the report by the Director-General requested in decision WHA72 (8) (2019),<sup>1</sup> decided to request the Director-General:

- (1) to report on progress in the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report by the Director-General, based on field monitoring, to the Seventy-fourth World Health Assembly;
- (2) to provide support to the Palestinian health services, including through capacity-building programmes and the development of strategic plans for investments in specific treatment and diagnostic capacities locally;
- (3) to ensure sustainable procurement of WHO prequalified vaccines and medicine and medical equipment to the occupied Palestinian territory in compliance with international humanitarian law and WHO norms and standards;
- (4) to continue strengthening partnerships with other United Nations agencies and partners in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan to enhance humanitarian health response capacities by delivering aid and protection in an inclusive and sustained manner during pandemic of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and after the pandemic crisis;
- (5) to provide health-related technical assistance to the Syrian population in the occupied Syrian Golan;
- (6) to continue providing the necessary technical assistance in order to meet the health needs of the Palestinian people, including prisoners and detainees, in cooperation with the efforts of the International Committee of the Red Cross, as well as the health needs of handicapped and injured people;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Document A73/15.

- (7) to support the development of the health system in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, by focusing on the development of human resources, in order to localize health services, decreasing referrals, reducing cost, strengthening provision of mental health services and maintaining strong primary health care with integrated complete appropriate health services; and
- (8) to ensure the allocation of human and financial resources in order to achieve these objectives.

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