

## **Note for the record**

### **Meeting of the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body to draft and negotiate a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response (INB) 1 June 2023**

#### **Participants**

##### **Bureau members**

African Region – Ms Precious Matsoso (South Africa)  
Region of the Americas – Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes (Brazil)  
South-East Asia Region – Dr Viroj Tangcharoensathien (Thailand)  
European Region – Mr Roland Driece (Kingdom of the Netherlands)  
Eastern Mediterranean Region – Mr Ahmed Salama Soliman (Egypt)  
Western Pacific Region – Mr Kazuho Taguchi (Japan)

##### **Secretariat**

Dr Jaouad Mahjour, Assistant Director-General, Emergency Preparedness  
Dr Olla Shideed, Executive Officer, Emergency Preparedness  
Ms Anne Huvos, Unit Head, Pandemic Influenza Preparedness  
Mr Steven Solomon, Principal Legal Officer  
Mr Kenneth Piercy, Senior Legal Officer  
Mrs Paidamoyo Takaenzana, External Relations Officer, Governance Unit  
Ms Julia Keyworth, Technical Officer, Protocol Unit

#### **SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS**

- Bureau members discussed the modalities for the resumed fifth meeting of the INB and drafting group taking place from 12–16 June 2023.
  - Bureau members agreed it was important at the start of the meeting to outline how the Bureau's text of the WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response (WHO CA+) had been developed based on the input of Member States. To that end, Bureau members considered the draft presentation that outlined the development process. Once finalized, the presentation would be sent to INB members.
  - At the request of the Bureau, the Secretariat agreed to revise the email outlining the modalities for the June meeting based on the input received from Bureau members. The revised text would be reviewed by the Bureau before it was sent to INB members.
- Bureau members also considered options for continuing to progress the WHO CA+ during the intersessional period between the INB meetings scheduled for June and July 2023, and during subsequent intersessional periods. At the request of Bureau members, the Secretariat agreed to prepare a proposal for how informal work could be divided up between the upcoming intersessional periods, for consideration by the Bureau.
- Bureau members discussed the upcoming joint meetings of the INB and Working Group on Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) (WGIHR) and provided an update on what had been agreed at the previous joint meeting with the WGIHR Bureau for those INB Bureau members who had been unable to attend.

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