

## **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) 14 March 2022**

#### **Participants**

##### **Bureau members**

AFR – Ms Precious Matsoso (South Africa)  
AMR – Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes (Brazil)  
EMR – Mr Ahmed Salama Soliman (Egypt)  
EUR – Mr Roland Driec (the Netherlands)  
SEAR – Dr Viroj Tangcharoensathien (Thailand)  
WPR – Mr Kazuho Taguchi (Japan)

##### **Secretariat**

Ms Jane Ellison, Executive Director, External Relations  
Dr Jaouad Mahjour, Assistant Director General, Emergency Preparedness  
Dr Timothy Armstrong, Director Governing Bodies  
Mr Steven Solomon, Principal Legal Officer  
Ms Gina Vea, Unit Head, Governance Unit  
Dr Olla Shideed, Executive Officer, Emergency Preparedness  
Ms Anne Huvos, Unit Head, Emergency Preparedness  
Mr Kenneth Piercy, Senior Legal Officer  
Mrs Paidamoyo Takaenzana, External Relations Officer, Governance Unit

#### **SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS**

##### **Conduct of the resumed meeting of the INB1**

- The resumed session would be invited to consider three elements: The process for the collection of substantive elements; the modalities for the participation of relevant stakeholders; and the timeline and deliverables.
- With regards to the participation of relevant stakeholders in the resumed meeting, it was noted that UN and IGOs in effective relations, traditional Observers and NSAs in official relations had been invited to the meeting in line with the proposal of the co-chairs on 24 February. After Member States adopt the modalities for the engagement of relevant stakeholders, their participation in the meetings would be clarified.
- Regarding the possible questions which may come up during the meeting, the co-chairs were requested to provide at the onset, an overview of the process and expected deliverables, in order to provide clarity to the INB on the way forward. This was included in the Notes for the co-chairs.
- The co-chairs were also requested to clearly outline the six-week process for the collection of substantive elements as well as possible dates for public hearings.
- In the discussion of onscreen documents, the co-chairs were encouraged to consider them in sections rather than line by line or paragraph negotiations.
- Countries should be encouraged to submit one comprehensive submission per Member State.

- Lessons learned from the survey in the WGPR process should guide the development of the online tool, including ease of use as well as promoting its use by the Member States.
- The online tool should ideally provide a real time analysis
- The Secretariat indicated that they were developing a proposed matrix for the online tool, which is different from the WGPR survey. The matrix would ideally be simple and allow the selection of what should be included in the instrument.
- The open-ended written submissions could be made through Member States submitting written inputs to an email address provided by the Secretariat.
- In order to adhere to the specified timeline of launching on 21 March, the Secretariat was requested to provide a draft for the online tool by the end of the week.
- The co-chairs reported that they had a meeting with the Chef de Cabinet to ensure that the process for the INB was fully supported.
- The co-chairs had also met with the WGPR co-chairs and it was suggested that a meeting of the two Bureau's should be organized.

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