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)
21 September 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)
Eastern Mediterranean Region – Mr Ahmed Salama Soliman (Egypt)
Western Pacific Region – Ambassador Kozo Honsei (Japan)

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SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

• Bureau members discussed preparations for the resumed session of the INB drafting group taking place on 22 September 2023.
  – The Bureau discussed chairing arrangements for the meeting and agreed that Vice-Chairs Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes and Ambassador Kozo Honsei would chair the meeting on behalf of the Co-Chairs.
  – The Secretariat advised that it would share a draft scenario for the meeting with Bureau members for their consideration. Two revised information papers would also be shared with Bureau members for their review prior to being distributed to drafting group members.