

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) 26 May 2022

Participants

Bureau members

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

Secretariat

Dr Jaouad Mahjour, Assistant Director General, Emergency Preparedness
Ms Anne Huvos, Unit Head, Pandemic Influenza Preparedness
Dr Olla Shideed, Executive Officer, Emergency Preparedness
Mr Kenneth Piercy, Senior Legal Officer
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SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

- The Bureau continued its discussions of the items on the draft agenda of the second resumed session of the first meeting of the INB (6–8 June 2022) and the preparation of the draft documents to be considered.
- On the draft consolidated outline of the substantive elements, the Bureau agreed to include feedback from the INB digital platform to reflect that the consolidation of the elements took into consideration both written submissions and inputs to the digital platform from the Member States and other relevant stakeholders. The Bureau further discussed and agreed to include a matrix as an annex to reflect a cross-mapping of the substantive elements as per the strategic pillars and categories.
- The Bureau further discussed and agreed on their proposal to the INB of a Member State-led process for the development of a working draft that envisaged the establishment of subgroups and guidance for the discussions within the subgroups. Related aspects to those discussions were considered by the Bureau, such as the scope of discussions and the timeline leading up to the second meeting of the INB.
- The Secretariat presented a document on the provisions of the WHO Constitution under which the instrument could be adopted. The Bureau discussed the document and agreed to include it for information purposes at the resumed session of the INB meeting in June.

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