

RESUMED FIFTH MEETING AND DRAFTING GROUP OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL NEGOTIATING BODY TO DRAFT AND NEGOTIATE A WHO CONVENTION, AGREEMENT OR OTHER INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENT ON PANDEMIC PREVENTION, PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE Agenda item 5

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Report of the meeting

- 1. The resumed session of the fifth meeting of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) to draft and negotiate a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response and continuation of the drafting group was held from 12 to 16 June 2023 in a hybrid format, under the leadership of Ms Precious Matsoso of South Africa and Mr Roland Driece of the Kingdom of the Netherlands as Co-Chairs, with the following Vice-Chairs: Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes of Brazil; Mr Ahmed Soliman of Egypt; Mr Kazuho Taguchi of Japan; and Dr Viroj Tangcharoensathien of Thailand.
- 2. In line with previous practice and the promotion of transparency in the work of the INB, agenda items 1, 5, 6 and the general comments under item 2 were publicly webcast and included participation of relevant stakeholders, whilst item 3 and the drafting group consideration of item 2 were held in closed sessions. The meeting agreed to delete item 4 as there were no proposals received from Member States under this agenda item.
- 3. The meeting discussed agenda item 2 on the consideration and negotiation of the WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response (WHO CA+) based on the Bureau's text, first through an open plenary session in which Member States and relevant stakeholders provided their general comments, followed by a meeting of the drafting group held in closed session. The INB considered the Bureau's text as a basis for further work on the understanding that the INB may continue to refer to the compilation text.
- 4. The drafting group decided to discuss Chapter II of the WHO CA+, addressing Articles 9 (Research and development), 10 (Liability risk management), 11 (Co-development and transfer of technology and know-how), 12 (Access and benefit-sharing), 13 (Supply chain and logistics), and 14 (Regulatory strengthening), in respect of which participants engaged and exchanged views.
- 5. The meeting agreed to continue consideration of certain of the above articles through informal meetings of the drafting group. As a pilot, informal meetings on Article 9 (Research and development) of the Bureau's text were held twice on the sidelines of the drafting group meeting, facilitated by representatives of Mexico and Norway.
- 6. The INB agreed to the list below for a first set of intersessional informal meetings commencing in advance of the sixth meeting of the INB. The Bureau will communicate to the drafting group members the schedule of informal meetings and proposed facilitators. Co-facilitators will be invited to report on progress to the drafting group during the sixth meeting of the INB.
 - Article 9 (Research and development)

- Article 12 (Access and benefit-sharing)
- Article 13 (Supply chain and logistics)
- 7. The sixth meeting of the INB will be held from 17 to 21 July 2023 and the drafting group will be invited to continue its work on the consideration of the Bureau's text, continuing with the remaining articles of Chapter II and thereafter Chapters III and I, as time permits. It was noted that a joint plenary session of the INB and the Working Group on Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) would be held on the afternoon of 21 July and morning of 24 July 2023.
- 8. The meeting considered and approved its report and the Co-Chairs closed the session.

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