



# WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

**EXECUTIVE BOARD**  
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## **Awards: establishment of new prize foundations**

1. **Establishment of a Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for Research in Health Promotion.** The Executive Board at its 111th session decided to approve in principle the establishment of an award for research in the area of health promotion proposed by the State of Kuwait, requesting that Statutes be drafted in cooperation with the State of Kuwait and submitted to the Board for approval, together with recommendations for covering the administrative costs.<sup>1</sup>
2. The draft statutes of the State of Kuwait Health Promotion Foundation, drawn up in cooperation with the Ministry of Health of the State of Kuwait and including provisions for administrative cost (Article 9), are accordingly submitted to the Executive Board for its approval (see Annex 1).
3. **Establishment of a Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region.** The Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean, at its fiftieth session (Cairo, October 2003), recommended to the Executive Board establishment of a Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, and approved the Statutes of the proposed Foundation<sup>2</sup> (see Annex 2). In accordance with its statutes, the Foundation would be administered by the Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean.

### **ACTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

4. The Executive Board is invited to consider approving the draft statutes of the State of Kuwait Prize for Research in Health Promotion.
5. The Executive Board is further invited to consider the recommendation of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean for establishment of a Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region.
6. Should the Board wish to do so, it could approve the recommendation of the Regional Committee subject to arrangements being made to cover the administrative cost incurred with respect to such an award, consistent with the arrangements already made in respect of two other awards.

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<sup>1</sup> Decision EB111(13).

<sup>2</sup> Resolution EM/RC50/R.13.

## **STATUTES OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT HEALTH PROMOTION FOUNDATION**

### *Article 1*

#### *Establishment*

Under the title of “State of Kuwait Health Promotion Foundation”, a foundation is established within the framework of the World Health Organization, which shall be governed by the following provisions.

### *Article 2*

#### *The Founder*

The Foundation is established upon the initiative of, and with funds provided by, the Government of the State of Kuwait (hereinafter referred to as “the Founder”).

### *Article 3*

#### *Capital*

The Founder endows the Foundation with an initial capital of US\$ 1 000 000 (one million United States dollars). The capital shall be invested and managed by the Administrator in order to generate capital growth and income for the benefit of the Foundation in future years. The capital of the Foundation may be increased by all the income from its undistributed reserves or by gifts and bequests.

### *Article 4*

#### *Purpose*

1. The purpose of the Foundation is to award a prize (“the State of Kuwait Prize for Research in Health Promotion”) to a person or persons, an institution or institutions or a nongovernmental organization or organizations, who have made an outstanding contribution to research in health promotion. The specific criteria that shall be applied in the assessment of the work done by the candidate/candidates shall be determined by the Foundation Selection Panel.

2. The Prize shall be presented during a session of the World Health Assembly to the recipient or, in his absence, to a person representing him.

### *Article 5*

#### *Proposal and selection of candidates*

1. Any national health administration of a Member State of the World Health Organization, or any former recipient of the Prize, may put forward the name of a candidate for the Prize.

2. Proposals shall be submitted to the Administrator, who shall submit them to the Foundation Selection Panel with his technical comments.
3. Current and former staff members of the World Health Organization, and current members of the Executive Board, shall be ineligible to receive the Prize.

#### *Article 6*

##### *Foundation Selection Panel*

1. The Foundation Selection Panel shall consist of the Chairman of the Executive Board, a representative of the Founder, and a member of the Executive Board elected by it for a period not exceeding his or her term of office, from a Member State of the Eastern Mediterranean Region.
2. The presence of the three members of the Selection Panel shall be required for the taking of decisions. The Panel shall take decisions by a majority of its members.
3. The travel expenses of the representative of the Founder in attending the meetings of the Foundation Selection Panel shall be considered to be an expense of the Foundation and reimbursed, in accordance with the travel rules of the Administrator, out of the income derived from the Foundation's capital.

#### *Article 7*

##### *Proposal of the Foundation Selection Panel*

The Foundation Selection Panel shall propose, at a private meeting, the name (or names) of the recipient (or recipients) of the Prize to the Executive Board. The proposal shall be considered by the Executive Board, which shall decide who the recipient, or recipients, of the Prize shall be.

#### *Article 8*

##### *The Prize*

1. The Prize shall consist of a certificate of award and a sum of money, together with a plaque from the Founder, which shall be awarded not more often than once in each year, derived from the interest on the Foundation's capital. The sum of money initially determined may be adjusted from time to time by the Selection Panel, based on the changes in the capital of the Foundation, variation in interest rates and other relevant factors.
2. If the Prize is awarded to more than one person, an institution or institutions, or a nongovernmental organization or organizations, the sum of money shall be proportionately distributed between them.

#### *Article 9*

##### *Administrative Cost*

A charge of 13% (or as otherwise established by the governing bodies of the World Health Organization) for programme support costs shall be assessed on the amounts awarded by the State of Kuwait Health Promotion Foundation to help cover the cost of administration of the Foundation.

*Article 10*

*The Administrator*

1. The Director-General of the World Health Organization shall be the Administrator of the Foundation, and shall act as the Secretary of the Foundation Selection Panel.
2. The Administrator shall be responsible:
  - (a) for the execution of the decisions taken by the Foundation Selection Panel within the limits of its powers, as defined in these Statutes; and
  - (b) for the observance of the present Statutes and generally for the administration of the Foundation in accordance with the present Statutes.

*Article 11*

*Revision of the Statutes*

On the proposal of one of its members, the Foundation Selection Panel may propose the revision of the present Statutes. Any such proposal, if endorsed by a majority of the members of the Selection Panel, shall be submitted to the Executive Board for approval. Any revision shall be reported to the next session of the World Health Assembly.

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RESOLUTION

REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE  
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN

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Agenda item 13

FOUNDATION FOR THE STATE OF KUWAIT PRIZE  
FOR THE CONTROL OF CANCER, CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES  
AND DIABETES IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN REGION

The Regional Committee,

Having reviewed the proposed Statutes for the Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region<sup>1</sup>;

Recalling its endorsement of the Regional Consultative Committee's proposal at its Twenty-first session held in May 1997, to agree to the establishment of prizes that may be offered from institutions, governments or persons for significant contributions or for research on priority problems in the Region;

1. **PROPOSES** the establishment of a regional foundation prize for the control of cancer, cardiovascular diseases and diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region;
2. **CONVEYS** its appreciation to the State of Kuwait for endowing the funds to be used to initiate this prize;
3. **APPROVES** the text of the Statutes for the Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region;
4. **RECOMMENDS** the establishment of such a Foundation to the 113th session of the Executive Board to be held in January 2004.

<sup>1</sup> Document EM/RC50/10

**Proposed Statutes  
for the Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize  
for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes  
in the Eastern Mediterranean Region**

**Article One**

**Establishment of the Foundation**

A Foundation is established under the name of "The State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular diseases and Diabetes Foundation, in the Eastern Mediterranean Region", within the framework of the World Health Organization, and which shall be governed by the following provisions.

**Article Two**

**The Founder**

The Foundation is established on the initiative of, and with funds provided by, the State of Kuwait (hereunder referred to as the Founder).

**Article Three**

**Foundation Capital**

The Founder endows the Foundation a capital amounting to US\$ 300 000 (three hundred thousand United States Dollars). The capital of the Foundation may be increased by income from its non-distributed reserves, or by gifts and bequests.

**Article Four**

**Foundation Objective**

The Foundation is established for the purpose of awarding a prize in one or more of the following areas: cancer control, cardiovascular disease control and diabetes control, income permitting, to one or more persons, who have made an outstanding contribution in the field of research related to cancer control, cardiovascular disease control or diabetes control. The Foundation Committee shall determine the criteria to be applied when assessing the work carried out by the candidates.

## **Article Five**

### **The prize**

1. The State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Disease, and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, shall consist of:

One bronze medal in one or more of the fields of control of cancer, cardiovascular diseases and diabetes, and a sum of money, which shall be awarded, annually, funds permitting, from the income accrued on the capital, after deducting the total cost of minting the medal, and any other expenses.

2. The Foundation Committee shall determine, in its first session, the initial value of the Prize, taking into consideration, the capital of the Foundation and the expected income accruing annually. This amount may be adjusted from time to time by the Committee based on changes in the capital of the Foundation, variation in investment returns and other relevant factors.

## **Article Six**

### **The Foundation Committee**

A Committee entitled the "Foundation Committee for The State of Kuwait Prize for the control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region", shall be composed of the following members: the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean, the Chairman of the Technical Discussions of the Regional Committee, and a representative of the Founder. The Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean Region or his representative will serve as the Secretary of the Committee.

## **Article Seven**

### **Nomination and Selection of Candidates**

1. Any national health administration, in a Member State of the World Health Organization within the Eastern Mediterranean Region, or any former recipient of the Prize may propose the name of a candidate for the Prize. The nomination shall be accompanied by a written statement of the reasons on which it is based. Proposals shall be submitted to the Administrator who shall submit them to the Foundation Committee together with technical comments.

2. Current and former members of the WHO Secretariat shall not be eligible to receive the Prize.
3. The Committee shall decide in a private meeting, by a majority of the members present, on the recommendation to be made to the Regional Committee, whose decision shall be final.
4. The presence of at least three members of the Foundation Committee, including the Chairman of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean or a Vice-Chairman acting for the Chairman at that Regional Committee, shall be required for the taking of decisions.
5. The Prize shall be presented during the following session of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean by its Chairman to the recipient, or representative thereof, in case of absence.

### **Article Eight**

#### **The Administrator**

1. The Foundation shall be administered by its Administrator, namely the Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean, who shall act as Secretary to the Foundation Committee.
2. The Administrator shall be responsible:
  - (a) For the execution of the decision taken by the Foundation Committee within the limits of its powers as defined in these Statutes; and
  - (b) For abiding by the above articles, and administering the Foundation in accordance with the provisions of these Statutes.

### **Article Nine**

#### **Revision of the Statutes**

On the proposal of one of its members, the Foundation Committee may propose a revision of the present Statutes. Any such proposal, if endorsed by a majority of the Committee, shall be submitted to the Regional Committee for its approval.