

WHA30.34 Coordination within the United Nations system : General matters

The Thirtieth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Director-General on coordination within the United Nations system on general matters;

Noting those resolutions of direct concern to WHO which were adopted by the United Nations General Assembly at its thirty-first session, and the role which WHO is expected to play in implementing those resolutions;

Noting with satisfaction the improved financial situation of the United Nations Development Programme and endorsing UNDP's continuing central coordination role in technical cooperation;

Mindful that WHO's activities are interrelated with other sectoral activities of the entire United Nations system, and that the Organization has an important contribution to make to these activities;

Underlining the importance it attaches to the use of extrabudgetary funds by WHO for the implementation of specific responsibilities which the Organization is called upon to carry out in accordance with decisions of the Health Assembly;

1. CONCURS in the steps taken by the Director-General to ensure that the United Nations and other organizations and institutions of the United Nations system are aware of the activities of WHO so as to be able to take them into account during the development of their own sectoral programmes;
2. SUPPORTS the concept that coordination between the organizations of the United Nations system should entail closer collaboration between organizations' representatives at the national level, as well as with the appropriate government authorities for the purpose of enhancing joint United Nations system-wide action within Member States;
3. REQUESTS the Director-General:
 - (1) to further ensure that appropriate support is given to the work of the Administrative Committee on Coordination and its subsidiary bodies in the expectation that health and health-related factors may usefully serve as a basis for a more effective coordinated approach to overall development;
 - (2) to ensure that further efforts are made to attract extrabudgetary resources to complement the WHO regular programme activities;
 - (3) to continue to report to the Executive Board or the Health Assembly as appropriate on coordination within the United Nations system, including developments regarding budget harmonization in the United Nations system, the effect of inflation on budgets, and personnel policies and practices.