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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the session
2. Address by the retiring Chairperson
3. Election of new officers: Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Rapporteurs
4. Address by the incoming Chairperson
5. Adoption of the agenda

WPR/RC50/1 Rev.2 and WPR/RC50/1 (Annotated) Rev.1

6. Address by the Director-General
7. "Getting the Job Done Together", Address by the Regional Director

WPR/RC50/2

Document WPR/RC50/2 outlines a framework for action for WHO in the Western Pacific Region.

8. Report of the Regional Director

WPR/RC50/3

The Report of the Regional Director covering the period 1 July 1998–30 June 1999 retains the overall structure of previous reports. However, changes have been made to the report's analytical content, page layout and cover. In accordance with decision

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WPR/RC49(1), Part 2 contains a review of reproductive and family health. A new Part 3 contains statistical data on the health of the Region.

9. Programme budget

9.1 Programme budget 1998–1999: budget performance (interim report)

WPR/RC50/4

The interim report on the implementation by programme of the regular budget for the 1998–1999 biennium is presented for the information of the Regional Committee, prior to the final report on implementation which will be presented to the fifty-first session. Information is also provided on funding from extrabudgetary sources.

9.2 Proposed programme budget 2002–2003: country allocations

WPR/RC50/5

Resolution WPR/RC49.R5 requested the Regional Director to report on the method and process to be applied in determining country allocations in the proposed programme budget for the 2002–2003 biennium. This report describes the current method and process and presents guiding principles for future country budget allocations.

10. Eradication of poliomyelitis in the Region: progress report

WPR/RC50/6

This annual progress report details the current status of the campaign to eradicate poliomyelitis in the Region. It also reports on progress made with regard to the certification of the eradication of poliomyelitis.

11. Annual report on sexually transmitted infections, HIV infection and AIDS

WPR/RC50/7

This annual report describes the situation of sexually transmitted infections, HIV infections and AIDS, as requested by resolution WPR/RC49.R3. An update on use of antiretroviral agents in the treatment of HIV/AIDS is also provided.

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12. Tuberculosis prevention and control

WPR/RC50/8 Rev.1

This report is a response to concerns about tuberculosis expressed at the forty-ninth session of the Regional Committee. The epidemiological situation and the regional strategy for tuberculosis control are described. Urgent action is needed, in both developing and developed countries, to reduce the Region's tuberculosis burden.

13. Hepatitis and related diseases

WPR/RC50/9

The report describes progress in control of viral hepatitis in the Region. Among other issues, the report discusses immunization against hepatitis B, blood safety, hepatitis B and C transmission among drug users and clinical treatment.

14. Technical briefings and ministerial round tables

WPR/RC50/10

The fiftieth session of the Regional Committee will be the first to feature a ministerial round table. This document explains why the round table has been introduced.

15. Action Plan on Tobacco or Health

WPR/RC50/11

The Action Plan on Tobacco or Health for 1995–1999 was endorsed by the forty-fifth session of the Regional Committee in 1994. This document is a final progress report on implementation of the Action Plan. The Regional Action Plan on Tobacco or Health 2000–2004 is presented for endorsement by the Regional Committee.

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16. Development of health research

WPR/RC50/12

This document summarizes the major activities of the regional research policy and strategy coordination programme from July 1997 to June 1999. It also outlines relevant activities conducted in the Region by WHO Special Programmes, as well as describing research supported by WHO.

17. Infant and young child nutrition and implementation of the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes

WPR/RC50/13

In accordance with resolution WPR/RC36.R15, this document provides a summary of the status of breast-feeding and complementary feeding and weaning practices in countries and areas of the Region. It also describes government actions taken to implement the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes and the Baby-friendly Hospital Initiative.

18. Strategic plan for the development of information systems in the Western Pacific Region

WPR/RC50/14

In accordance with resolution WPR/RC49.R10, this document presents a strategic plan for health information systems in the Region, incorporating methods of data collection, data harmonization, dissemination of information, data analysis and utilization, and human resource assessment.

19. Working relations with nongovernmental organizations

WPR/RC50/15

This document presents a summary of WHO's relations with nongovernmental organizations in the Region, in accordance with resolution WPR/RC45.R9.

20. Regional implications of resolutions and decisions of the Fifty-second World Health Assembly and the WHO Executive Board at its 103rd and 104th sessions

WPR/RC50/16

The document for this agenda item comments on seven resolutions adopted by the Fifty-second World Health Assembly which are of regional relevance and interest. Resolutions from either the Health Assembly or the Executive Board that relate directly to items on the Regional Committee agenda form part of the documentation for those items.

21. Membership from the Western Pacific Region in Global Committees

- 21.1 Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction: Membership of the Policy and Coordination Committee

WPR/RC50/17

The Regional Committee is requested to elect one Member from the Western Pacific Region to serve on the Policy and Coordination Committee for the period 1 January 2000–31 December 2002.

- 21.2 Essential Drugs and Other Medicines: Membership of the Management Advisory Committee

WPR/RC50/18

The Regional Committee is requested to elect one Member from the Western Pacific Region to serve on the Management Advisory Committee for the period 1 January 2000–31 December 2002.

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22. Sub-Committee of the Regional Committee on Programmes and Technical Cooperation: Report on criteria for candidates and selection methods and procedures for the nomination of the Regional Director

WPR/RC50/19

In accordance with resolutions WPR/RC49.R7 and WPR/RC49.R8, the Sub-Committee of the Regional Committee on Programmes and Technical Cooperation will be convened during the fiftieth session to re-examine the criteria for candidates and selection methods and procedures for the election of the Regional Director. The Sub-Committee will make recommendations to the Regional Committee in a document that will be distributed during the session.

23. Time and place of the fifty-first and fifty-second sessions of the Regional Committee

The fifty-first session of the Regional Committee will be held in the Regional Office in Manila. The dates and site of the fifty-second session have not yet been established.

24. Closure of the session