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REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR
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REGIONAL STRATEGY ON HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

The Regional Committee,

Bearing in mind resolution WHA46.20 on the WHO global strategy for health and environment, and resolutions WHA46.7 and WHA46.17 on issues relating to health and environment;

Having considered the report of the Regional Director on the regional strategy on health and environment;¹

Recognizing the increasingly complex nature of environmental health problems and the associated need for better collaboration among organizations involved in issues relating to health, the environment and development;

Noting the need for a more judicious and strategic use of limited resources in resolving health and environment problems;

1. ENDORSES the Regional Strategy on Health and Environment;

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¹Document WPR/RC44/13.

2. URGES Member States:

- (1) to involve health professionals in discussions on sustainable development and the planning and development decision-making process;**
- (2) to advocate the central role of health in decision-making about sustainable development;**
- (3) to identify and prioritize national environmental health-related problems and develop associated national strategies and plans on health and environment consistent with WHO's global and regional strategies;**
- (4) to allocate national resources and external support agency resources in accordance with the approved national strategies and plans;**
- (5) to secure funds available under the UNDP's Capacity 21 initiative to support health and environment activities consistent with national strategies and plans;**

3. REQUESTS the Regional Director:

- (1) to vigorously implement the Regional Strategy on Health and Environment in cooperation with Member States;**
- (2) to collaborate with Member States in the development of their national health and environment plans, and in their related activities with other agencies such as UNDP.**