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**REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR  
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**AIDS AND SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES**

The Regional Committee,

Having considered the annual report on AIDS, including sexually transmitted diseases;<sup>1</sup>

Acknowledging with concern the rapid spread of HIV infection, the changing trends in modes of transmission and its serious multisectoral implications;

Noting the emphasis given to the development of appropriate case management for sexually transmitted diseases, health education interventions for youth, and health promotion interventions for other high-risk behaviours and practices such as commercial sex activities and injecting drug use;

Noting also the urgent need for effective coordination required to minimize the spread of the epidemic and the current restructuring of the Global Programme on AIDS with the intent of improving programme delivery and financing;

Recognizing the response to the WHO Executive Board resolution EB93.R5, providing for the establishment of the Joint and Cosponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS;

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<sup>1</sup>Document WPR/RC45/5.

**Reaffirming the WHO constitutional mandate to act as the directing and coordinating authority on international health work;**

**Recalling the constitutional role of the Regional Office and the importance of fully involving it in the execution of the Joint and Cosponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS;**

**1. URGES Member States:**

**(1) to provide strong political support to the HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases prevention and control programme and the Joint and Cosponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS, recognizing the need for an effective and transparent transition process with full consultation;**

**(2) to take effective action in reducing the spread of HIV infection, focusing particularly on four areas: sexually transmitted diseases, injecting drug use, commercial sex activity, and women and youth, involving all sectors of society, including nongovernmental organizations;**

**(3) to promote safe sex behaviours through health education, promotion of condom use, and other interventions;**

**(4) to support the development of appropriate management for sexually transmitted diseases using a public health approach as a major strategy for HIV/AIDS prevention;**

**(5) to play an active role in the effective integration and coordination of the full range of country AIDS prevention and control activities in the future within the context of the Joint and Cosponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS;**

- (6) to request the Joint and Cosponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS to provide a level of financial and other support at least equivalent to that provided at present by WHO;
2. REQUESTS the Regional Director:
- (1) to collaborate with Member States on technical aspects of regional and country management of sexually transmitted diseases as a strategy for HIV/AIDS prevention and control;
- (2) to develop and apply indicators to measure the actual impact of interventions on the spread of HIV infection and sexually transmitted diseases;
- (3) to ensure the involvement of the Regional Office of WHO, in accordance with its constitutional role, in the Joint and Cosponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS;
- (4) to secure a leading technical role for the WHO country offices within the framework of the Joint and Cosponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS;
- (5) to report to the forty-sixth session of the Regional Committee on significant developments relating to the Joint and Cosponsored United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS.