

The Regional Committee,

Having examined part 1 and part 2 of the proposed programme budget 2004-2005 to be financed from the regular budget and other sources of funds;<sup>1</sup>

Noting the negative impact on collaborative programmes of the reduced regular budget allocation to the Region resulting from the implementation of resolution WHA51.31;

Concerned about the current distribution of extrabudgetary resources received by the Organization among the six regions and WHO Headquarters;

Noting further that the level of extrabudgetary resources for the Region has not yet been indicated in the proposed programme budget;

Appreciating the presentation of the proposed programme budget;

Recognizing the need to continue to monitor the impact of resolution WPR/RC50.R1 on country programmes;

1. THANKS the Regional Director for his application of a results-based management approach in the preparation of the proposed programme budget;

2. URGES Member States to develop country plans that address the issues and challenges identified in part 2 and contribute to the attainment of the Organization's global objectives and goals as contained in part 1;

3. REQUESTS Members of the Executive Board from the Region:

(1) to convey to the Executive Board, and through the Executive Board to the Health Assembly, the view of the Regional Committee that the reduction in the regional allocation resulting from resolution WHA51.31 should be implemented over only three bienniums, namely 2000-2001, 2002-2003 and 2004-2005;

(2) to work with members of the Executive Board from other regions similarly affected, taking into account the views of the Regional Committee;

4. REQUESTS the Regional Director:

(1) to transmit to the Director-General the views of the Regional Committee on the proposed global programme budget for 2004-2005, particularly with regard to the desire for more transparent criteria for deciding the allocation of extrabudgetary resources among the regions and WHO Headquarters, and the concern over reductions in some programme activities caused by the lower regional allocation;

(2) to ensure that the Regional Committee's views and concerns are reflected in the guidelines for the preparation of detailed country programmes;

(3) to present to the Regional Committee at its fifty-fourth session a proposal for the regional strategic programme budget, taking into account the further discussions at the Executive Board and the Health Assembly in 2003;

(4) to develop estimates of an appropriate level of extrabudgetary resources for the Region's health needs, taking into account projected global extrabudgetary resources, and to include such funding in the budget presentation to the Regional Committee at its fifty-fourth session.

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<sup>1</sup> Document WPR/RC53/4, Annexes 1 and 2.