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Other information

Venue	Conference Hall, Regional Office
Distribution of documents	Representatives are kindly requested to collect daily their documents, messages and invitations at the designated pigeon holes.
Rapporteurs Meeting	The meeting will be held daily immediately after the afternoon session at 17:15 in Room 321.
Internet access	The Regional Office has an Internet lounge (Room 210) adjacent to the Conference Hall on the second level.
WHO publications	WHO publications and other information products are on sale in Room 210.
Security	<p>The opening of a new entrance to the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) has created heavy traffic on the pedestrian walkways outside the WHO compound. Please take necessary precautions to safeguard your belongings when leaving the premises by foot.</p> <p>Kindly contact the WHO Security Officer, Mr David Wheeler, should you have any concerns at +63 2 528-9608 (landline) or +63 915 743-5538 (mobile).</p>
Weather update	Tropical storm "Ramon" has intensified, with maximum winds of 65 kph near the centre and gusts of up to 80 kph, affecting a region of Philippines well south of Manila. However, this storm will most likely bring rain to the Manila area on Thursday and Friday.

I. PROGRAMME OF WORK

Agenda items 09:00–12:00

17	Emergencies and disasters	<i>WPR/RC62/13</i>
16	Coordination of the work of the World Health Assembly, the Executive Board and the Regional Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WHA64.10 Strengthening national health emergency and disaster management capacities and resilience of health systems	<i>WPR/RC62/11</i>
10	Antimicrobial resistance	<i>WPR/RC62/5</i>
11	Traditional medicine	<i>WPR/RC62/6</i>

Agenda items 14:00–17:00

12	Food safety	<i>WPR/RC62/7</i>
15	Progress reports on technical programmes <ul style="list-style-type: none">15.1 Regional Action Plan for Malaria Control and Elimination in the Western Pacific (2010–2015)15.2 Dengue fever and dengue haemorrhagic fever prevention and control15.3 Mental health15.7 Expanded Programme on Immunization<u>Time permitting</u>15.4 Action Framework on Essential Medicines15.5 Asia Pacific Observatory on Health Systems and Policies15.6 Regional Strategy on Human Resources for Health (2006–2015)15.8 Pacific Health Ministers Meeting	<i>WPR/RC62/10</i>

Consideration of draft resolutions

Proposed programme budget 2012–2013	<i>WPR/RC62/Conf. Paper No. 1</i>
Expanding and intensifying noncommunicable disease prevention and control	<i>WPR/RC62/Conf. Paper No. 2</i>

II. REPORT OF MEETINGS (TUESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2011)

Third meeting

Chairperson: Dr Adanan Yusof (Brunei Darussalam)

Item 4. Address by the incoming Chairperson

The incoming Chairperson thanked the Regional Committee for granting him the honour of chairing the sixty-second session. He noted the importance of the items on the full agenda before the Committee and called on Member States to continue to work together for the health and well-being of all people of the Western Pacific Region.

Item 8. Programme budget 2010–2011: budget performance (interim report)

The Director, Programme Management, introduced document WPR/RC62/3, presenting the interim financial implementation of assessed contributions and voluntary contributions for the biennium 2010–2011 by source of funding, Strategic Objective and category of expenditure, as of 31 May 2011, and the mid-term performance reports on outputs and results by Strategic Objective and by Regional Expected Result.

Interventions were made by representatives of the following Member States: Australia; China; Fiji; New Zealand; Niue; the Republic of Korea; Samoa; the United States of America; and Vanuatu.

Item 9. Proposed programme budget 2012–2013

The Director, Programme Management, presented the Proposed Programme Budget 2012–2013 of the Western Pacific Region, in document WPR/RC62/4, the third and last biennial programme budget under the Medium-term Strategic Plan 2008–2013. He noted that, while the Organization-wide Expected Results for 2012–2013 generally have the same orientation as those of the 2010–2011 biennium, the Regional Expected Results, particularly the Office-specific Expected Results include some major shifts in emphasis. The Director invited comments on the proposed budget from the Regional Committee.

Interventions were made by representatives of the following Member States: China; the Federated States of Micronesia; Fiji; Japan; the Lao People's Democratic Republic; New Zealand; Papua New Guinea; the Republic of Korea; Samoa, Solomon Islands; the United States of America; and Viet Nam.

Item 13. Noncommunicable diseases

The Regional Director introduced the item by commending Member States in the Region for their hard work in the area of noncommunicable diseases (NCDs), culminating in the Nadi Statement, the Seoul Declaration and the Honiara Communiqué on NCDs, which had propelled the issue on to the international agenda. The strongly worded political declaration unanimously adopted by the participants at the United Nations General Assembly High-level Meeting on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases implored countries to urgently take a multisectoral approach in addressing NCDs. He urged the Committee to take note of the panel discussion to follow, and to consider how a Regional Committee resolution might assist in addressing the rising tide of NCDs.

There then followed a panel discussion moderated by Professor Don Matheson, Massey University, New Zealand.

Presentation:

Expanding and intensifying NCD prevention and control in the Region: From commitment to action

Dr Han Tieru, Director of Building Healthy Communities and Populations,
WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific

Fourth meeting

Chairperson: Dr Adanan Yusof (Brunei Darussalam)

Later: Dr Ren Minghui (China)

Item 13. Noncommunicable diseases (continued)

The panel discussion continued.

Presentations:

National policy and programmes for NCD prevention and control

Dr Hasan bin Abdul Rahman, Director-General of Health, Ministry of Health, Malaysia

Surveillance and monitoring for NCD prevention and control

Dr Timothy Armstrong, Coordinator Surveillance and Population-based Prevention Unit, Department of Chronic Diseases and Health Promotion, WHO Headquarters.

Health system strengthening for NCD prevention and management

Professor Yong-Ik Kim, Chief, Department of Health Policy and Management, College of Medicine, Seoul National University, Republic of Korea

Dr Xiaofeng Liang, Deputy Director-General of the Chinese Center for Disease Control, Beijing, People's Republic of China

Multisectoral actions for risk reduction - "Health In All Policies"

Professor Fran Baum, Director, Southgate Institute, School of Medicine, Flinders University, Australia

Partnerships and advocacy

Ms Johanna Ralston, CEO, World Heart Federation, Geneva

Professor Kenji Hayashi, President, National Institute of Public Health, Japan.

The panel addressed comments and questions from the following Member States:

China; Cook Islands; the Federated States of Micronesia; France; Hong Kong (China); Japan; Macao (China); Mongolia; New Zealand; Palau; Samoa; Solomon Islands; and Viet Nam.

The moderator of the panel discussion thanked the panellists and summarized the discussion.

Further interventions on the agenda item were made by representatives of the following Member States: China; the Federated States of Micronesia; the Marshall Islands; New Zealand; Palau; the Republic of Korea; Samoa; and the United States of America.

III. OTHER MEETINGS

Wednesday, 12 October 2011

17:15–onwards Informal consultation with Member States (Conference Hall)

Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria informal consultation to be hosted by the Government of China (following the informal consultation with Member States) (Conference Hall)

Thursday, 13 October 2011

17:15–onwards Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development to be hosted by WHO (Room 212)