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1. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, the provisional agenda of each session shall be drawn up by the Director-General in consultation with the Chairman. It shall be dispatched with the notice of convocation six weeks before the commencement of a session.
2. The attached draft provisional agenda for the 109th session of the Executive Board will be the subject of further consultation between the Director-General and the Chairman. It includes items requested by the Health Assembly or the Board at a previous session, proposed by members of the Board, and proposed by the Director-General. It is submitted to the regional committees for information.
3. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly, the Board shall prepare the provisional agenda of each regular session of the Health Assembly after consideration of proposals submitted by the Director-General.



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EXECUTIVE BOARD
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Draft provisional agenda

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5.3 Miscellaneous income

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6.1 Reform of human resources management

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- Review of working methods of the Executive Board
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8.1 Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups (including report on appointments to expert advisory panels and committees)

8.2 Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization

8.3 Eradication of poliomyelitis

8.4 Global health-sector strategy for HIV/AIDS

8.5 Annual report on human resources

9. Closure of the session

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EB109 draft provisional agenda Summaries of technical documents

3. Health strategy matters

3.1 Intensifying the response to the conditions associated with poverty, including the Global AIDS and Health Fund

Based on WHO's contribution to the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (Brussels, 2001), the document will set out for the Board's consideration a framework of actions required both globally and nationally to tackle the major communicable diseases affecting the poor (HIV/AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis), and provide information on operationalizing the global fund for HIV/AIDS and health.

3.2 WHO's work with the private sector and civil society

The document will set out for review by the Board WHO's draft principles for collaboration with the private sector and civil society, to be discussed informally at the Board's retreat (November 2001).

3.3 Partnerships with nongovernmental health-care providers

The document will report on developments in the use of contractual and other arrangements between government and nongovernmental organizations, and examine country experiences in the light of the potential contribution of these arrangements to improving the performance of health systems. A draft resolution for the Board's consideration will set out guidance for the use of such arrangements.

3.4 Assessment of health systems' performance: report of peer review

The Board will be informed of the outcome of the peer-review process

3.5 WHO medicines strategy

- Expanding access to essential drugs

In response to resolution WHA54.11, the report, to be discussed informally at the Board's retreat (November 2001), will cover current activities to expand access to essential drugs, including opioid analgesics, such as those concerning drug pricing, sustainable financing of medicines, reliable systems of drug supply, and the prequalification of drugs related to HIV/AIDS.

- Revised procedure for updating WHO's Model List of Essential Drugs

The document will set out for the Board's endorsement the revised procedure for updating the Model List, which issues from an extensive review process and was examined at the Meeting of Interested Parties, 2001.

- International Nonproprietary Names: revised procedure

The document will contain, for the Board's adoption, the updated procedure for selecting recommended INN, amended in order to establish both a procedure for handling objections to proposed INN and rules for substituting previously recommended INN.

3.6 Emerging issues in child health

The document will set out WHO's priorities for child health in the light of the United Nations General Assembly special session on children (September 2001). It will introduce, for the Board's recommendations, WHO's draft strategy on the health of children and adolescents, and, for its endorsement, the WHO/UNICEF global strategic plan to reduce deaths from measles.

3.7 Infant and young child nutrition

- Childhood nutrition and progress in implementing the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes

In accordance with resolution EB97.R13, a comprehensive report on childhood nutrition and on progress in implementing the International Code will be provided to the Board.

- Global strategy for infant and young child feeding

In response to resolution WHA54.2, the final version of the draft global strategy will be set out for the Board's consideration

3.8 Food safety and health

The final version of the draft global strategy for food safety, reviewed by Member States and incorporating their comments, will be set out for the Board's endorsement.

3.9 Physical activity and health

In view of the increasing interest of Member States in the promotion of physical activity to help prevent noncommunicable diseases, the document will provide information on the rationale, strategy and timetable for building up work in this area, for the Board's comment and recommendations.

3.10 Violence and health

The document will contain a summary of the first "World report on violence and health", to be issued during 2002. The Board's comments will provide the basis for WHO's policy and future action on the prevention of violence.

3.11 Dengue prevention and control

The document will draw attention to the increasing spread, incidence and severity of dengue fever and dengue haemorrhagic fever. In view of the need for more effective measures for surveillance, prevention and control, a draft resolution for the Board's consideration will call for increased commitment and resources, the strengthening of health systems' capacity, and the development of new tools and strategies.

3.12 Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks

In response to resolution WHA52.10, the report will inform the Board of progress in the research programme on the smallpox virus. A draft resolution for the Board's consideration will be based on the proposals made for the date of final destruction of the remaining stocks of variola virus by the group of experts established by virtue of the resolution.

8. Matters for information

8.2 Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization

In response to resolution WHA53.12, the document will report, for the Board's recommendations, on progress made in achieving GAVI's objectives and on WHO's role in this new kind of partnership.

8.3 Eradication of poliomyelitis

The document will inform the Board of the issues involved in interrupting the final chains of transmission and in achieving the three prerequisites for ceasing immunization, namely, containment of laboratory stocks of wild poliovirus, certification of eradication, and cessation of oral vaccination.

8.4 Global health-sector strategy for HIV/AIDS

The document will provide information on the regional consultations under way to ensure that the health-sector strategy for tackling the HIV/AIDS pandemic takes account of regional realities and priorities, and on the outcome of the United Nations General Assembly special session on HIV/AIDS (June 2001).