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SELECTION OF ONE MEMBER GOVERNMENT FROM THE REGION OF THE AMERICAS TO THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE GLOBAL PROGRAM ON AIDS

The Global Program on AIDS (GPA) is the component of WHO responsible for promoting, coordinating, monitoring and evaluating the global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS.

The Global Program on AIDS Management Committee (GMC) acts as an advisory body to the Director-General of WHO, making recommendations on the program of activities and budget of the Global Program on AIDS (GPA), its financing and management, progress towards achievement of its objectives, and ways of improving GPA coordination with relevant organizations. The GMC represents the interests and responsibilities of WHO's external partners collaborating with WHO in the implementation of the global AIDS strategy.

The GMC membership includes:

- The governments of those countries which contributed undesignated funding in support of GPA's general budget in the previous fiscal year;
- Two government representatives from each of WHO'S six Regions selected by the respective Regional Committees for 3-year terms from among those Member States with which GPA is collaborating;
- The six major intergovernmental organizations contributing to the implementation of WHO's global AIDS strategy, namely: UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, UNESCO, World Bank, and EEC;
- The Chairman of the Global Commission on AIDS.

Other intergovernmental organizations and nongovernmental organizations deeply involved in the global AIDS strategy are, on request, granted observer status.

The terms of reference of the GMC and other background information are presented in the Annex.

The terms of reference of the GMC provide that governments selected by the Regional Committees shall be replaced on a rotating basis, so that four new members, or one third of the regional representation, shall be selected each year. In 1989 the Directing Council of PAHO, acting as the Regional Committee of WHO, selected Mexico to a three year term, 1990-1992, and in 1991 selected Cuba to serve for a three year term, starting 1 January 1992.

This year, as the term of Mexico is expiring, the Directing Council, acting as the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, must select a government to represent the Region for the three year period 1993-1995.

To date, those countries from the Region of the Americas which have served as Regional Members of the GMC are the following: Chile, from 1988 to 1990; Barbados, from 1988 to 1991; Mexico, whose membership expires in December 1992, and Cuba, whose membership started in January 1992.

Annex

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TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: FUNCTIONS, COMPOSITION AND OPERATION

The Global Programme on AIDS Management Committee (GMC) represents the interests and responsibilities of WHO's external partners collaborating with WHO in the global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS. It acts as an advisory body to the Director-General of WHO, making recommendations on matters related to the policy, strategy, finance, management, monitoring and evaluation of the WHO Global Programme on AIDS (GPA).

FUNCTIONS

Review, analyse and guide the GPA programme of activities and related budget of GPA and make appropriate recommendations to the Director-General;

Review the arrangements envisaged by the Director-General of WHO for financing and managing GPA;

Review proposed longer-term plans of action and their financial implications;

Review the financial statements of GPA;

Review periodic reports evaluating the progress of GPA towards the achievement of its objectives and submit its findings and recommendations to the Director-General;

Recommend ways of improving as appropriate, coordination between the activities of GPA and of other relevant programmes and organizations, and

Consider any other matters relating to GPA referred to it by the Director-General of WHO or the Director of GPA or any member of the Committee.

In carrying out its functions, GMC shall be informed of all policy decisions and recommendations concerning GPA made by the World Health Assembly and the Executive Board and of all reports and recommendations concerning GPA made by the Global Commissions on AIDS.

COMPOSITION

The Governments of those countries which contributed undesignated funding in support of GPA's general budget in the previous fiscal year;

Two Government representatives from each of WHO's six regions selected by the respective Regional Committees for three-year terms from among those Member States with which GPA is collaborating;

The six major intergovernmental organizations contributing to the implementation of WHO's Global AIDS Strategy, namely - UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, UNESCO, World Bank and EEC, and,

Chairman of the Global Commission on AIDS.

Representatives of governments and intergovernmental organizations not included on GMC as well as nongovernmental organizations involved in the Global AIDS Strategy may, on request, be granted observer status.

The identity of those countries contributing undesignated funding in support of GPA's general budget, and hence their eligibility for membership in GMC, shall be ascertained annually. Members selected from the six regions of WHO may be reappointed. The six major intergovernmental organizations shall be considered to have permanent seats for as long as they continue to participate with GPA in support of WHO's Global AIDS Strategy. The Chairperson of GMC should, in principle, be a governmental representative and shall be elected from and by members of GMC for a period of two years, but, while eligible for a re-election, may not serve consecutive terms. The Chairperson shall preside over meetings of GMC and undertake whatever additional duties may be assigned by GMC, in agreement with the Director-General of WHO.

OPERATION

The Management Committee shall meet twice a year. The first meeting shall be for the purpose of reviewing GPA's programme for that year in light of the financial support that will have been pledged and the past, present, and future coordination and external support for national AIDS control programmes. The second meeting shall be for the purpose of reviewing and guiding the following year's programme and related budget. The GMC may also meet more often upon the proposal of either its Chairperson or the Director-General of WHO, and with the latter's agreement the GMC shall decide its method of work, which may include the establishment of a number of functional sub-committees. All such sub-committees will have an advisory role to GPA and GMC. Each GMC meeting shall elect a rapporteur from among its members who shall assist in ensuring that the decisions reached by the meeting are adopted before its conclusion. The GMC shall adopt its conclusions by consensus. The Director of GPA shall be the secretary of GMC.

For the purposes, GMC shall be assisted in its endeavors by the provision by WHO of whatever secretariat and other support services may be considered necessary and reasonable.

AMENDMENT

The Management Committee may propose amendments to these terms of reference in the light of experience in their application and it will also be consulted by the Director-General before any amendments are made to them.