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The World Health Organization (WHO) presents its compliments to Member States and has the honour to refer to the attached note verbale C.L.20.2020 dated 19 June 2020.

Any proposal from a Member State or Associate Member to include an item on the agenda should reach the Director-General not later than 12 weeks after circulation of the draft provisional agenda or 10 weeks before the commencement of the session of the Executive Board whichever is earlier. Proposals should therefore reach the Director-General by 11 September 2020.

The Director-General draws to the attention of Member States and Associate Members that, in accordance with Rule 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, any proposal for inclusion on the agenda of any item **shall be accompanied by an explanatory memorandum**.

The World Health Organization takes this opportunity to renew to Member States the assurance of its highest consideration.

GENEVA, 22 June 2020



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The Director-General of the World Health Organization presents his compliments to Member States and Associate Members and has the honour to attach a draft provisional agenda for the 148th session of the Executive Board to be held from 18 to 26 January 2021. ¹

In accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, any proposal from a Member State or Associate Member to include an item on the agenda would normally reach the Director-General not later than 10 weeks before the commencement of the session of the Executive Board, that is by 9 November 2020. A balance will be sought between the duration of the session and the number of items proposed on the agenda. Thereafter, the Director-General will draw up the provisional agenda in consultation with Officers of the Executive Board. The provisional agenda will be annotated and explain any deferral or exclusion of proposals made. It will be dispatched to Member States with the letter of convocation eight weeks before commencement of the session.

The Director-General of the World Health Organization takes this opportunity to renew to Member States and Associate Members the assurance of his highest consideration.

GENEVA, 19 June 2020

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EXECUTIVE BOARD 148th session Geneva, 18–26 January 2021 EB148/1 (draft) 19 June 2020

Draft provisional agenda

- 1. Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda
- 2. Report by the Director-General
- 3. Report of the regional committees
- 4. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board

Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage

- 5. Global action on patient safety
- 6. Political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases
- 7. Expanding access to effective treatments for cancer and rare and orphan diseases, including medicines, vaccines, medical devices, diagnostics, assistive products, cell- and gene-based therapies and other health technologies; and improving the transparency of markets for medicines, vaccines, and other health products
- 8. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property
- 9. Antimicrobial resistance
- 10. Substandard and falsified medical products
- 11. Standardization of medical devices nomenclature

Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies

- 12. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response
 - 12.1 COVID-19 response
 - 12.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
 - 12.3 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits
 - 12.4 The public health implications of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

13. Poliomyelitis

- 13.1 Poliomyelitis eradication
- 13.2 Polio transition planning and polio post-certification

Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being

14. Social determinants of health

Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries

- 15. Budget and finance matters
 - 15.1 Proposed programme budget 2022–2023
 - 15.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2020–2021
 - 15.3 Scale of assessments
 - 15.4 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

16. Geneva buildings renovation strategy

17. Governance matters

- 17.1 WHO transformation
- 17.2 WHO reform
 - WHO reform: governance
 - WHO reform: involvement of non-State actors in WHO's governing bodies
- 17.3 Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization
- 17.4 Engagement with non-State actors
 - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors
 - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
- 17.5 Provisional agenda of the Seventy-fourth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 149th session of the Executive Board

18. Committees of the Executive Board

- 18.1 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
- 18.2 Foundation committees and selection panels

19. Staffing matters

- 19.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
- 19.2 Report of the Ombudsman
- 19.3 Human resources: annual report
- 19.4 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 19.5 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

20. Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups

• Expert advisory panels and committees and their membership

21. Closure of the session

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