

SEVENTY-FIFTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY Agenda item 12

WHA75.5 27 May 2022

Revision of the Programme budget 2022–2023

The Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the proposed revision to the Programme budget 2022–2023;¹ and having noted the report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board to the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly;²

Noting that in response to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, the proposed revision incorporates new lessons learned and takes account of emerging issues needing to be tackled that were not yet known at the time of approval of the Programme budget 2022–2023;

Recalling resolution WHA74.3 (2021) on the Programme budget 2022–2023 in which the Director-General was requested to submit, as deemed necessary, a revised Programme budget 2022–2023, including its revised appropriation resolution, to the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly to reflect the rapidly changing health situation of the world due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in the light of the findings of the independent reviews presented to the Seventy-fourth World Health Assembly;

Considering that the proposed revision is also fully aligned with resolution WHA74.7 (2021) on strengthening WHO preparedness for and response to health emergencies;

Noting also that the proposed revision includes resource requirements to strengthen leadership, accountability, compliance and risk management with a special focus on the Organization's capacity to prevent and respond to sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment,

- 1. APPROVES the revised programme budget for 2022–2023 with the additional elements as outlined in the proposed revision to the Programme budget 2022–2023;
- 2. FURTHER APPROVES the increase in the revised programme budget for 2022–2023 of US\$ 604.4 million in the base budget segment, which brings the level of the approved Programme budget 2022–2023 base segment to US\$ 4968.4 million;
- 3. ALLOCATES the revised programme budget increase for the financial period 2022–2023 to the following strategic priorities:
 - (1) One billion more people benefiting from universal health coverage, increase of US\$ 89.7 million giving a new total approved budget of US\$ 1929.6 million;

¹ Document A75/6.

² Document A75/53.

- (2) One billion more people better protected from health emergencies, increase of US\$ 404.6 million giving a new total approved budget of US\$ 1250.5 million;
- (3) One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being, increase of US\$ 30.4 million giving a new total approved budget of US\$ 455.2 million;
- (4) More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries, increase of US\$ 79.7 million giving a new total approved budget of US\$ 1333.1 million;¹
- 4. AUTHORIZES the Director-General to use the assessed contributions together with the voluntary contributions, subject to the availability of resources, to finance the entire, revised Programme budget 2022–2023 as allocated in paragraph 3 (including its footnote) up to the amounts approved;
- 5. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Director-General, where necessary, to make budget transfers among the revised levels of the four strategic priorities, up to an amount not exceeding 5% of the budget allocated to the strategic priority from which the transfer is made. Any such transfer will be reported in the statutory reports to the respective governing bodies;
- 6. REQUESTS the Director-General to uphold all provisions of paragraph 11 of resolution WHA74.3 (2021) with regard to regular reporting, monitoring and performance assessment of the approved revised Programme budget 2022–2023.

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• Polio eradication (US\$ 558.3 million), special programmes (US\$ 199.3 million) totalling US\$ 757.6 million; and

• Emergency operations and appeals (US\$ 1000.0 million), which, being subject to the event-driven nature of the activities concerned, is an estimated budget requirement that can be subject to increase as necessary.

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¹ Other areas remain unchanged: